# ADK RAMAPO CHAPTER 2008 WINTER OUTINGS SCHEDULE JANUARY • FEBRUARY • MARCH

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## SPECIAL EVENTS AND OUTINGS

## RAMAPO CLUB MEETING

Thursday, March 20th
"Sights and Sounds of Spring"
Presented by Greenbrook Sanctuary Naturalist Nancy Slowik
7:30 PM at the Nanuet Library

## **BANFF FILM FESTIVAL AND DINNER**

Wednesday, February 27

An evening of hiking fellowship and dinner out.

Meet at Mason Jar Restaurant, Rt. 202, Mahwah, NJ at 5 PM. Meet at the Lafayette Theater,
Lafayette Ave., Suffern, NY at 7 PM.

Contact Aaron Schoenberg for up to date information and to be included in the dinner reservations and the purchase of advanced tickets.

See Newsletter for other details.

If you need a hike schedule, please contact Denis Kmiec 845-634-1397 or kmiec20@yahoo.com

#### **HIKERS GUIDE**

New hikers and non-members, please contact the leader in advance. All hikes are rated. Choose only those hikes suitable for your abilities. Dress properly, especially footwear. The leader has the option of refusing unprepared persons. Carry a light lunch and water. In winter conditions, a hot drink is useful. Rain gear, extra socks, hat, sweater, and wind breaker permit you to adapt to the weather. A day pack is indispensable. Minors under 16 are welcome on day hikes when accompanied by a parent or guardian. No persons under 18 shall participate on overnight outings unless accompanied by a parent or adult sponsor over 21. Non-members are welcome on two outings before joining ADK.

**Footwear and Clothing**: Wear clothing suited to the weather and carry extra garments for unexpected weather and conditions. In winter conditions, dress in thin layers so you can adjust the number of layers as required to maintain comfort. Underwear made of polypropylene is recommended because it does not retain moisture but rather directs body moisture to the outer layers of clothing so you will not feel wet and cold. Wear and/or carry wool or polyester fleece pile outer layers which will retain heat when wet. Carry wool or polypropylene hat, gloves or mitts and a waterproof outer shell. Be prepared for rain by carrying rain gear. Wear comfortable, sturdy boots and two pairs of socks, a polyester liner and a heavy wool or polyester sock over it to avoid blisters. **Cotton sweat suits or jeans absorb moisture and do not retain their insulating properties when wet and therefore are unsuitable for winter conditions**. Most hikers carry a simple first aid kit, flashlight, compass, and pocket knife. Carry a map of the area you are hiking in.

If drought conditions close trails, call leader, as location of hike might be changed.

Be aware of possible hunting in area you plan to hike. Check with the Department of Environmental Conservation for local hunting regulations. Avoid places and times where hunting is permitted. The New York-New Jersey Trail Conference can help with hunting information. Call 201-512-9348 or go on line <NYNJTC.org> Hunting is not permitted in Harriman/Bear Mountain State Park. It is permitted in Sterling Forest State Park and Black Rock Forest. Hunting season is generally mid-October to mid-February. Sterling Forest has hunting in May from dawn to noon. During hunting season, wear bright colors and stay on the trails.

**HIKE RATINGS** represent the **Pace**, **Distance** and **Terrain** covered during the hike. A hike's rating is determined by the hike leader.

**Pace**: A = fast - 2.5 mph or faster B = moderate - about 2 mph C = easy - 1.5 mph or less

Distance is given in miles as noted

**Terrain**: **A** = Strenuous, long ups and downs, some rock scrambling possible.

**B** = Moderate ups and downs as occurs typically in Harriman.

**C** = Generally flat with little elevation change.

**ASSUMED RISK**: Hiking/biking involves certain inherent hazards. Persons participating do so at their own risk and must sign a release of liability.

**EXPENSE SHARING**: When car pooling, passengers are expected to offer the driver funds sufficient to cover the cost of fuel, tolls and parking fees. A \$1.00 minimum per person is recommended.

#### HIKE MEETING LOCATIONS OTHER THAN TRAIL HEADS:

Clarkstown: Commuter Parking Lot on Middletown Rd. just south of Exit 10 of the Palisades Interstate Pky. Suffern: Commuter Parking between R.R. tracks and junction of Lafayette Ave. and Rt. 202. Harriman: Commuter Parking Lot at intersection of Rt. 6 and NY 17, Use parking meters. Tuxedo: Tuxedo Commuter Parking Lot off Rt. 17, one street north of R.R. station, Tuxedo, NY.

Most hike meeting locations can be found can be found on NY-NJ Trail Conference maps (TC map #)

Be at meeting place at least 10 min. prior to departure time.

Pets are not permitted on hikes.

**NOTICE:** Hikes led by Ramapo hike leaders are indicated by (R). Hikes led by North Jersey hike leaders are indicated by (NJ). Ramapo shares all its hikes with North Jersey. **NEW MAP NUMBERS FOR HARRIMAN** - 118 replaces #3 and 119 replaces #4.

Tuesday, 1/1 HAPPY HARRIMAN NEW YEAR TC map 118 B-7-B Chris Connolly (R) c.connolly 7@ verizon.net 201-816-9465 Lets celebrate outdoors. We'llpass by Pine Meadow and admire Diamond Mountain views with New Man Winters whims determining the precise itinerary. Steady precipitation cancels. Meet 9:30 AM at Sebago Boat Launch parking area off Seven Lakes Drive.

Tuesday, 1/1 NEW YEARS DAY SNOWSHOE HIKE TC map 115 C-4/5-C Christopher Tausch (NJ) 201-819-3034 ctausch@bergenlink.com Get out and enjoy the winter! This is the perfect chance to use your new snowshoes. We'll explore the Ramapo Reservation in Mahwah on beautiful new fallen snow (we can only hope). This is a beginner's trip, so we'll take it slow and show you the ropes. Don't worry, the hardest part is putting them on. No snow? No worries, We'll still take a hike. Please call/e-mail to register and for more details.

Thursday, 1/3 IN THE WOODS

B-5/7-B Phyllis Stewart (NJ) 201-327-6319 or pastewart@optonline.net
Ups and Downs. Call or e mail leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

Saturday, 1/5 TO ILGENSTEIN ROCK AND BACK TC map 115 B-7-B Pat Marcotullio (R) 845-729-4046 e mail patros@optonline.net We will go past Hawk Rock and Bear Swamp Lake on the way up to Ilgenstein Rock for lunch. Deep snow and/or ice will alter route. Meet 9:30 AM Ramapo Reservation Parking area off Rt. 202. Experienced hikers only. Steady precipitation will cancel hike.

Saturday, 1/5 ORANGETOWN RAIL TRAIL C-5-C Mary Sive (R) 973-746-3986 m

C-5-C Mary Sive (R) 973-746-3986 mrsive@gmail.com Explore rail trails near Tappan, NY. Contact leader (previous evening) to learn meeting place and time.

Saturday, 1/5

A-10-B+

Gary Wiltshire (NJ)

gjwiltshire@hotmail.com

Hike will start in Hewitt, NJ and terminate at Mt. Peter. Snow shoes and crampons may be necessary (let's hope). We will have to car shuttle. Hikers to meet at A&P Shopping

Center in Hewitt on Rt. 511(Greenwood Lake Tpke.), at 9 AM. Heavy snow and heavy rain cancels. Please register by Friday the 4th.

Sunday, 1/6 SOUTHERN HARRIMAN RAMBLE TC map 118 B-6/7-B Manny Silberberg (R) 845-354-9165 mannytravl@optonline.net Milege depends on conditions. Meet 9:30 AM at Reeves Meadow Hiker Parking on Seven Lakes Drive. Check with leader if driving or trail conditions are poor.

Sunday, 1/6 WALK AROUND ROCKLAND LAKE TC maps 110-111 C-3-C John and Louise Parnell (R) 845-290-5287 Walk the asphalt path around Rockland Lake. Meet 10 AM at the Boat Dock Parking Area off Rt. 9 W in Congers, NY.

Thursday, 1/10 IN THE WOODS TC map 115

C-5/6-C+ Eileen Berch (NJ) 973-506-7078

We'll start from the upper parking lot of Ringwood State Park hiking to Governor Mountain using the Cooper Union and Crossover Trails and possibly a short climb on the Ringwood-Ramapo Trail. Meet at 10 AM in the upper parking area. No need to register, but NO GO if raining, sleeting, or snowing. Call by 8:30 AM morning of hike if weather is doubtful. Please, no calls after 8 PM.

Saturday, 1/12 BLACK MOUNTAIN CIRCULAR TC map 118

C-5-B Nick Viggiano (R) 845-359-2465

A circular hike using the AW, 1779, RD, AT and a ski Trail. Steady precipitation cancels. Exact route depends on weather. Meet 10 AM at Anthony Wayne North Parking Lot.

Saturday, 1/12 DARLINGTON XC SKI TOUR

Easy Meet 1 PM. Barbara Goldberg (NJ) 201-652-4913

Call leader for conditions and directions. A hike will be led if conditions do not permit skiing.

Sunday, 1/13 FOUR HILL FORAY TC map 118

B-6-B+ Chris Connolly (R) c.connolly 7@verizon.net 201-816-9465 A winter workout circuit up and down Black Rock, Tom Jones, Parker Cabin and Carr Pond Mts. Steady precipitation cancels. Meet 9:30 AM at White Bar Parking Area on Rt. 106.

Sunday, 1/13 CATSKILL HIKE TO HALCOTT TC map 42

B-5-A- Elie Bijou (R) 718-377-2990 adirondacks@verizon.net A slow to moderately paced bushwhack. Ascent: 1600', Elev. 3537'. Full winter gear required. Bad driving conditions cancel. Please contact Leader to register between Jan 1-11. Meeting Place/ Time: 8:45 AM. Parking area on State Rte. 42.

Thursday, 1/17 IN THE WOODS

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions. Possible snow shoeing.

Saturday, 1/19 STERLING FOREST CIRCULAR TC map 100 B-11-B Aaron Schoenberg (R) askus3@optonline.net or 845-986-8645 This lengthy circular uses mostly woods roads in Sterling Forest along a route using the Lake To Lake, and Fire Tower Trails. If unsure where meeting location is or for up to date trail conditions for equipment requirement (snowshoes, Stabilicers or just boots), contact leader. Meet 8:30 AM at trail head #P17 on Long Meadow Rd. (Co. Rt. 84).

Saturday, 1/19 JOCKEY HOLLOW GRAND LOOP

B-5-B Jeffrey Sovelove (NJ) Hiker\_Dood@yahoo.com We will do the Grand Loop at Jockey Hollow National Park in Morristown. For directions and information go to: http://www.nps.gov/morr/planyourvisit/directions.htm Meet at the visitors' center at 10 AM. Inclement weather cancels. Proper footgear required (Stabilicers, crampons or snowshoes) if appropriate for the conditions. Joint with Sierra Club.

Sunday, 1/20 STONY BROOK RAMBLE TC map 118

B-5-B Rudy Garfinkel (R) 914-337-6612

Meet at Reeves Visitor Center Parking at 9:30 AM.

## Sunday, 1/20 DARLINGTON XC SKI TOUR

Easy Meet 1 PM. Judy Hishikawa (NJ) 201-483-8289

Call leader for conditions and directions. A hike will be led if conditions do not permit skiing.

## Thursday, 1/24 IN THE HARRIMAN WOODS TC map 118

B-6-B Pete Tilgner & Suzan Gordon (R) 201-871-3531 or browning.27@verizon.net We begin and end at the under used northern Victory Trail Head which is located half way between the White Bar Crossing and the RD crossing of Rt. 106. *Bring your Stabilicers*. Meet 9:30 AM at Victory trail head. If snow conditions prevail, meet at the White Bar crossing of 106 for a snowshoe into Island Pond. If unsure about conditions, call leaders evening before hike.

## Saturday, 1/26 IN THE WOODS

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions. Possible snow shoeing.

## Sunday, 1/27 WALK THE ESPOSITO TRAIL IN NYACK

C-3-C John and Louise Parnell (R) 845-290-5287 Walk a level dirt path with great views of the Hudson and Tappan Zee Bridge. Meet 10 AM in front of the Nyack Police Station on Broadway, Nyack, NY.

Sunday, 1/27 HARRIMAN HIKE TC map 119

B-5/7-B Karen Rose (NJ) 201-825-8166 or kkarose@aol.com
Steady paced hike. May need Stabilicers or snowshoes. Bad driving conditions will cancel.
Call before 9 AM if unsure. Meet Tiorati Circle Parking at 10 AM.

## Thursday, 1/31 IN THE WOODS

B-5/7-B Debbie Bell (NJ) 845-358-8386 or deb2@columbia.edu Call or e-mail leader for details. No calls after 9:00 PM. Location and pace will be determined by weather conditions.

## Saturday, 2/2 GROUND DAY SNOWSHOE HIKE TC map 42

B-7-B Christopher Tausch (NJ) 201-819-3034 ctausch@bergenlink.com Our goal is Panther Mountain (from Giant Ledge side), which just so happens to be a required winter peak for you 3500 ers. It's a little bit of a drive, so we'll have to leave early, say 8:00 am. Please call/e-mail to register at least a few days in advance.

#### Saturday, 2/2 POPOLOPEN GORGE TC map 119

B-6-B+ Peter Reiner (R) 845-634-7635 psr7@aol.com Starting at the Popolopen viaduct just off RT. 9W we hike along the Popolopen Gorge Trail crossing Queensboro Brook. Lunch at Queensboro Lake and return on the same trail. Rain or snow cancels hike. Meet hike leader 9:30 AM at the Fort Montgomery overflow parking area .6 miles north of the Bear Mt. Bridge Circle on Rt. 9W.

## Sunday, 2/3 SILVERMINE STROLL TC map 119

B-7.5-B Chris Connolly (R) c.connolly 7@verizon.net 201-816-9465 A reprise of my first Ramapo hike looping along the Menomine, LP and AT trails. Steady precipitation cancels. Meet 9:30 AM at Silvermine Parking Area on Seven Lakes Drive.

## Thursday, 2/7 IN THE WOODS

B-5/7-B Phyllis Stewart (NJ) 201-327-6319 or pastewart@optonline.net Ups and Downs. Call or e mail leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

### Friday, 2/8

### **HIKE AND WINE SOCIAL**

B-3-B Gary Wiltshire (NJ) gjwiltshire@hotmail.com
Lets start the weekend together by hiking 3 miles with headlamps (hopefully in the snow).
Then, to reward ourselves, we retire to Wine In The Woods, West Milford, NJ. for a Wine and Cheese Social. Hiking attire required, flashlight or preferably a headlamp necessary.
We will meet 7:00 PM at the Wine In The Woods and drive to the trail head together.
Please register by February 7th.

Saturday, 2/9 NEW JERSEY HUDSON PALISADES TC map 108 B-7.5-B Pete Tilgner & Suzan Gordon (R) 201-871-3531 or browning.27@verizon.net We begin and end on Tenafly Nature Center trails which lead us on to the Long Path and the Alpine Boat Basin for lunch. Our return is on the Shore Path to the Huyler's Landing Trail and up to the LP. Following our winter hike, we invite you to join us for hot chocolate and cookies at our Tenafly home. Meet 9:30 AM at the Nature Center located at the top of Hudson Ave., Tenafly. The Nature Center has directions on its web site at:

www.tenaflynaturecenter. Please RSVP by phone or e-mail for this hike.

Sunday, 2/10

## **XC SKI TOUR**

Mary Saraco (NJ) H 908-781-7072 **Cell** 609-577-3296 XC Ski, Snowshoe or hike depending on conditions. If hike, it will be from Lake Skannatati. (TC map 119). Contact leader for details.

Sunday, 2/10 WALK AROUND ROCKLAND LAKE TC map 110 C-3-C John and Louise Parnell (R) 845-290-5287 Walk the asphalt path around Rockland Lake. Meet 10 AM at the Boat Dock Parking Area off Rt. 9W in Congers, NY.

Wednesday, 2/13 STOCKBRIDGE MT.- BAILEYTOWN CIRCULAR TC map 118 C-5-B Nick Viggiano (R) 845-359-2465

We hike the Menomine Trail, Baileytown Rd. as well as unmarked trails and other woods roads. Steady precipitation cancels. Meet 10 AM at the Silvermine Parking Lot off Seven Lakes Drive.

Thursday, 2/14

## IN THE WOODS

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions. Possible snow shoeing.

Saturday, 2/16 LEWIS MORRIS PARK

B-5/6-C/B Jeffrey Sovelove (NJ) Hiker\_Dood@yahoo.com We will start at Sunrise Lake, then hike to the Upper Parking Lot and back down to the lake using a combination of the Yellow and Red trails. For directions and information go to: http://www.morrisparks.org/aspparks/Imdir.asp Meet in parking lot at 10 AM. Inclement weather cancels. Proper footgear required (Stabilicers, crampons or snowshoes) if appropriate for the conditions. Joint with the Sierra Club.

Saturday, 2/16 WANDERING WAWAYANDA IN WINTER TC map 116
B-6-B Pete Heckler (R) 973-831-2307 or p\_heckler@msn.com
E-mail registeration appreciated. No phone calls morning of hike.
Conditions dictate route. However, the intention is to use the Laurel Pond,Lookout,Old
Coal,Red Dot ,& Double Pond Trails. If conditions allow, snowshoes will be used. If not,
crampons or equivalent are required. Rain, snow or hazardous road conditions cancel hike.
Meet 9:00 AM at Wawaywanda Park Office Parking Lot .

Sunday, 2/17 HTS TRAIL (AKA Old Red) UP RAMAPO TORNE TC map 118 C-7-B Richard Zinn (R) 201-357-4642 or hrzinn@aol.com
We will start on 7 Hills Trail, then on new extension of HTS long climb to Ramapo Torne.
Later via HTS & 7H probably head for Diamond Mt. Meet 9:30 AM Reeves Visitor Center. Phone if weather doubtful.

Thursday, 2/21 IN THE WOODS

C-5-B Betty Heald (NJ) 201-967-2937 or ebheald@aol.com Call or e mail to register. Do not call after 9 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

Saturday, 2/23 LEADER'S CHOICE SNOWSHOE OR HIKE B-5/7-B Rob Lehmann (NJ) roblehmann@hikeleader.com Contact leader for meeting place/directions. Please register by e-mail only.

Saturday, 2/23 IN THE WOODS

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions. Possible snow shoeing.

Sunday, 2/24 POUND MOUNTAIN CIRCULAR TC map 118 C-5/6-B Denis and Joan Kmiec (R) 845-634-1397 (No calls after 9 PM) The Blue Disc to Claudius Smith for lunch. Return on the TMI and White Bar Trails. Rain, ice, snow cancels. Meet at 10 AM at Johnsontown Road Circle. If weather is in doubt, call by 9 AM morning of hike.

Wednesday, 2/27 BANFF FILM FESTIVAL AND DINNER

Aaron Schoenberg (R) askus3@optonline.net or 845-986-8645 For some hiking fellowship and dinner out we meet at the Mason Jar Restaurant, Mahwah, NJ at 5:30 PM. After dinner, we drive to the classic Lafayette Theater in Suffern for an evening of outdoor adventure films. See Newsletter for further details.

Thursday, 2/28 IN THE WOODS

B-5/7-B Debbie Bell (NJ) 845-358-8386 or deb2@columbia.edu Call or e-mail leader for details. No calls after 9:00 PM. Location and pace will be determined by weather conditions.

Saturday, 3/1 LONG POND IRONWORKS-WEST MILFORD TC map 115 B-4.5-B Jennifer Leonard Hahn (NJ) rudybird2766@yahoo.com Meet at Long Pond Ironworks Parking Lot, on Rt. 511, 9:30 AM. Bring snack and water. We will do a loop hike walking back on Rt. 511 (Greenwood Lake Turnpike) to get to the parking lot. E-mail to register and get directions.

Sunday, 3/2 BLAUVELT MOUNTAIN CIRCULAR TC map 118 B-7.5-B Pete Tilgner & Suzan Gordon (R) 201-871-3531 or browning.27@verizon.net We begin and end at the under used northern Victory Trail trail head located half way between the White Bar Crossing and the RD crossing of Rt. 106. *Bring your Stabilicers*. Meet 9:30 AM. If snow conditions prevail, meet at the White Bar crossing of 106 for a snowshoe in to Island Pond. If unsure about conditions, call leaders evening before hike.

#### Thursday, 3/6

### IN THE WOODS

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions. Possible snow shoeing.

Saturday, 3/8 WITTENBERG & CORNELL CATSKILL ADVENTURE TC map 43
A-9-A Gary Wiltshire (NJ) gjwiltshire@hotmail.com

Meet 9:30 AM at Woodland Valley Camp Grounds in the Catskills. E-mail hike leader for traveling directions. This is a strenuous hike, not for beginners. Let's hope there's snow!!!!!!.

Participants must register in advance with leader.

Sunday, 3/9

## **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS**

Sunday, 3/9
B-7/8-B Linda Schutz (NJ) 973-335-6973 or Linda Schutz@msn.com
We will use a combination of the trails to hike to Pine Meadow Lake for lunch. The exact route will be determined by the weather and trail conditions. Meet at Reeves Visitor Center 10:00 AM. Please be prepared for all possible trail conditions. Extreme weather will cancel the hike. If in doubt call or e-mail the morning of hike.

Sunday, 3/9 WALK THE ESPOSITO TRAIL IN NYACK

C-3-C John and Louise Parnell (R) 845-290-5287 Walk a level dirt path with great views of the Hudson and Tappan Zee Bridge. Meet 10 AM in front of the Nyack Police Station on Broadway, Nyack, NY.

Sunday, 3/9 CATSKILL HIKE TO GRAHAM TC map 42

B- 7-A- Elie Bijou (R) 718-377-2990 adirondacks@verizon.net A slow to moderately paced trail hike and bushwhack. Ascent 1360, Elev. 3868' Full winter gear required. Bad driving conditions cancel. Please contact leader to register between Feb. 26 to Mar. 7. Meeting Place/Time: 8:45 AM. parking area on Millbrook Rd.

Thursday, 3/13

#### IN THE WOODS

B-6/8-B Paul Margiotta (NJ) 201-693-6705 or pjmm@optonline.net Ups and Downs. Call or e-mail leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

Saturday, 3/15

### **WOODLAND TRAILS**

**TC map 119** 

C-5-C+ Rita Boyd (R) 845-356-1632
Our woodland hike will include the Anthony Wayne, 1779, and Beechy Bottom Trails.
Stabilicers or crampons may be necessary. Rain or snow fall cancels. If in doubt, call leader between 7:30 and 8:30 AM morning of hike. Meet 10 AM at Anthony Wayne North Parking Area off Exit 17, Palisades Interstate Parkway.

Sunday, 3/16 PALM SUNDAY HIKE TO ST. JOHNS TC map 118

C-4/6-C Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Palm Sunday Hike to St. Johns in the Wilderness, Harriman State Park. I plan to be at the church for the service. Must call or e-mail (preferred) leader for details.

Sunday, 3/16 ST. PATRICK'S DAY HIKE

B-7/8-B+ Deanna Felicetta (NJ) 845-216-2021

We hike on West Mountain and environs. Call for details.

Thursday, 3/20

### **SPRING EQUINOX**

Thursday, 3/20

IN THE WOODS

B-5/7-B Phyllis Stewart (NJ) 201-327-6319 or pastewart@optonline.net Ups and Downs. Call or e-mail leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

Thursday, 3/20 RAMAPO CLUB MEETING, 7:30 PM, Nanuet Public Library. Sights and Sounds Of Spring presentation by Greenbrook Sanctuary Naturalist, Nancy Slowik. See news letter for details.

Saturday, 3/22

PATRIOTS PATH STROLL

C-3/5-C Jeffrey Sovelove (NJ) Hiker\_Dood@yahoo.com
Come take an easy stroll on Patriots Path in Morristown. This 3 - 5 mile stroll will start out
from the Speedwell Lake Parking Lot at 10 AM located across the street from Historic
Speedwell. For directions and information go to: http://www.morrisparks.org/ The path is
wide, partly paved, partly crushed stabilized gravel with very little elevation gain.

Saturday, 3/22

LAKOTA WOLF PRESERVE OUTING

B-4-B Rob Lehmann (NJ) roblehmann@hikeleader.com Meets 10 AM. Please register by e-mail only. No pets. May be small fee. Contact leader for meeting place/directions.

**Sunday**, 3/23

**HUDSON RIVER VIEWS** 

**TC** map 101

B-8.5-B | Ike Siskind (R) 845-352-8506

Starting in the river town of Garrison, we'll enjoy viewing the Hudson from its banks, and a scenic overlook at Sugar Loaf South. Plus, there will be some tramping in the woods between vistas. Meet 9:30 AM at the RR commuter parking lot in Garrison. Lot is 0.4 mi. west of intersection of Rt.. 9W and 403. Intersection is 4.4 mi. north of Bear Mt. Bridge. Alternate meeting 8:45 AM at Clarkstown Commuter Lot near Exit 10 of Palisade Parkway.

**Sunday**, 3/23

CATSKILL HIKE TO SHERRILL

TC map 41

B-5-A Elie Bijou (R) 718-377-2990 adirondacks@verizon.net A moderately paced bushwhack. Ascent 2000'. Elev. 3540'. Full winter gear required. Bad driving conditions cancel. Please contact leader to register between Mar. 12-21 Meeting Place/Time: 8:45 AM Forest Preserve Parking area on Rte 42.

Thursday, 3/27 IN THE WOODS-BEARFORT RIDGE TC map 116 C+-7.5-B Diane Grunthal (NJ) 973-728-8057 or dgrunthal@yahoo.com. We will hike Bearfort Ridge in Hewitt, NJ. Scenic hike through Rhododendron Forest and really nice views with rugged, rolling ups and downs with some scrambling, at an easy to moderate pace. Meet at 9:30 AM at the A&P in Hewitt. Registration with leader required. Call or e-mail by 6 PM Wednesday.

Saturday, 3/29

NICE AND EASY

**TC** map 119

C-4/5-C Pat Marcotullio (R) 845-729-4046 or patros@optonline.net Meet Anthony Wayne North Parking Area 10 AM for an easy day out using some trails and woods roads. Guests welcome but must have hiking boots, lunch and water. Steady precipitation will cancel.

Saturday, 3/29 BEAR MOUNTAIN TC map 119

B-7-B+ June Slade (R) 973-835-2832

We'll climb the mountain and see what lies beyond. Rain cancels. Meet Bear Mountain Inn Parking lot at 9:30 AM. Parking fee may apply.

Saturday, 3/29 IN THE WOODS

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions. Possible snow shoeing.

Sunday, 3/30

B-3.5-B

Eileen Turner (R)

201-670-1527 or turner.e@verizon.net

Meet 10 AM at second parking area along US Route 9W in Storm King State Park. We will hike past remains of Spy Rock House and reach the summits of Butter Hill and Storm King Mountain which will offer us 360 degree views including those of Breakneck Ridge, North Beacon Mt., Village of Cold Spring, and more!

## **PREVIEW**

Wed., 6/11- Wed., 6/18 LONG TRAIL II PLUS

(B-15-A) Aaron Schoenberg askus3@optonline.net (preferred) or 845-986-8645 This is the second in a six year project to day hike the Long Trail in Vermont from the Canadian border to Massachusetts southbound. On this particular trip we will hike over 70 miles of which 40 miles will be on the Long Trail from Lamoille River to the Winooski River including exploration of various trails in the summit area of Mt. Mansfield. The hiking will be strenuous and at a steady pace. We also will climb Mt. Elmore, traverse a stretch of the Worcester Range and explore ruins in the Waterbury Reservoir area, thus the plus to the trip title. Carpooling and car shuttles will be arranged. Our accommodations, in Stowe, Vermont, will be fully furnished houses with complete modern kitchens and shared bathrooms and baths. Contact Aaron for detailed itinerary.

Deadline to register: Monday, April 28