

HIKE SCHEDULE • FALL 2012 • OCTOBER • NOVEMBER • DECEMBER

Wednesday, 10/3 Saddle River Cty Park, Ridgewood, NJ C 3 C
John & Louise Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287
Meet at 10 AM in the parking lot near the start of the trail. This parking lot is close to the exit of the park. If you have any questions call.

Thursday, 10/4 Surebridge Mountain Loop B 6 B
Fred Hodde Bullwnk1@aol.com or (h) 973-728-3223 or
(c) 973-722-7824

We'll meet at the Skannatati parking lot in Harriman at 9:30 AM. We'll do a lollipop starting and ending with the Long Path. We'll hike Surebridge Mountain using the Dunning, RD and Lichen trails. Registration by e-mail preferred. Call cell before 9 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 119.

Saturday 10/6 Sterling Forest Fire Tower Ramble B 5 B+
Jeffrey Sovelove Hiker_Dood@yahoo.com
We will hike to the Sterling Forest Fire Tower with an option to extend if the group desires. This is a moderately strenuous hike with a considerable amount of climbing. Meet at the Visitors' Center 10 AM sharp. Inclement weather cancels. Joint with the Sierra Club. TC map 100.

Saturday, 10/6 Adirondacks - Hike to Algonquin & Iroquois B 10 A
Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or 518-873-2119 (NCA or e-mail after 8 PM, 10/4)

Join me to hike the two enormously popular 46'ers. Distance about 10 miles RT. ascent 3800 ft. Slower moderate pace. Algonquin 5115 ft, Iroquois 4860 ft. Please bring lunch, water, fleece, and rain gear.

Sunday, 10/7 Balsam Lake Mountain (a Catskill hike) B 10 B+
Deanna Felicetta felicetta.deanna@gmail.com or 845-216-2021
Come enjoy this Lark in the Park Event and see a Catskill Fire Tower too! The day's hike will be from the lesser known western access trailhead at the end of Beaver Kill Road. Hike begins in lovely grass and berry fields and continues on into the woods. There are some fun scrambles up to the vistas and to the Balsam Fire Tower. The woods are worth the hike as are the great views of the Catskills from the Fire Tower. Pace will be steady but we plan to stop to admire all the special spots on our way. Dress in layers, and bring lots of water and lunch. Poor weather will cancel this hike. Must register by Monday before hike. Confirmation e-mail will go out Tuesday night. After that correspondence will be by phone only. Must leave name and phone no. in case we need to cancel. For driving directions go to www.hudsonhikers.org/catskills.html. TC map 142.

Sunday, 10/7 Wyanokie High Point Loop B 7 B
John Roebig jroebig@gmail.com or 854-357-4538.
We will do a loop hike in the Norvin Green State Forest originating out of the Weis Ecology Center. The trip will visit Roomy Mine and Blue Mine on the way to climb to the nearby summits of Wyanokie High Point, Yoo Hoo Point, and Carris Hill. Meet at 9:30 AM at the Weis Ecology Center at the large dirt parking area on the right side of the road, just before the entrance to the Weis Ecology Center. Come prepared with appropriate gear including traction devices. Precipitation or forecast of same cancels. E-mail or call for directions. Call or e-mail (pref.) to register for hike. TC map 115.

Sunday, 10/7 Jay Mountain B 6 B
Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or 518-873-2119 (NCA or e-mail after 8 PM, 10/4)

Hike one of the more spectacular peaks in the northern Adirondacks. Pace: slower moderate. Elevation gain 1800 ft.

Monday, 10/8 Three Fire Towers In The NE Adirondacks B 7 B
Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or 518-873-2119 (NCA or e-mail after 8 PM, 10/4)

Join me for a hike up Pokomoonshine, Belfry and a third one in between. Possibility of lunch afterwards. Pace slower to moderate. Total elevation gain about 800 ft.

Wednesday, 10/10 Ramapo Reservation, Mahwah, NJ C 3 C
John & Louise Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287
Meet at 10 AM at the Ramapo Reservation Parking Lot off Route 202 in Mahwah, NJ and enjoy an easy walk around the lake. TC map 115.

Thursday, 10/11 Ramapo Reservation C 5 B
Phyllis Stewart pastewart@optonline.net or 201-327-6319 (NCA 9 PM.)

Slow pace going up hills. We will hike the Ridge, White, Blue and White Trails, returning back around reservoir. Opportunity for longer hike if so desired. Looking forward to seeing some of my old friends. Meet 10 AM at Ramapo Reservation Parking Lot on Rt. 202, Mahwah. TC map 115.

Saturday 10/13 Two Skyline Crossings B 6 B
Hank Zulauf hankz46@verizon.net or 201-391-5867

Start 10 AM from the lower Skyline Drive Parking Lot off Skyline Drive (Exit 57 on Rt. 287). We'll take the Blue Trail to the Todd Trail crossing Skyline Drive past Millstones to Camp Glen Gray for lunch at the Gazebo. After lunch, we'll take the Schuber Trail crossing Skyline Drive again and then follow the Memorial and MacEvoy Trails to the lower parking lot. Call if weather is uncertain. TC map 115. Note: The parking lot needs work. Drive slowly and use caution. TC map 115.

Sunday, 10/14 Lake Skannatati Lollipop B 8 B+
Reena Mancuso reenamaybe@gmail.com or 914-391-3886
Meet 9:30 AM at Lake Skannatati parking lot on Seven Lakes Drive in Harriman State Park. Beautiful views on the Lichen and RD trails. Not for beginners. Rain cancels. Call or e-mail leader to register. TC map 119.

Sunday, 10/14 Catskills- Bearpen and possibly Vly B 5.5 B
George Preoteasa gvpreo@gmail.com or 201-694-8344

E-mail or call leader for meeting time and directions by October 12. This hike is in the Catskill Mountains, approximately 120 miles north of northern NJ. The 1700 ft of total ascent are on unpaved roads, woods roads and trails making the ascent quite easy. The hike to Vly, an easy bushwhack, would add 1.5 mi and 500 ft of ascent; however, an early out is possible. These are some of the easiest hikes in the Catskills. TC map 145.

Wednesday, 10/17 Fort Montgomery & Bear Mt. Bridge C 3 C
John & Louise Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287
Meet at 10 AM in the parking lot of Fort Montgomery. Take the

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Palisades Parkway north towards Bear Mt. At the circle take 9W north to Fort Montgomery on the right. We will walk over the Bear Mt. Bridge and enjoy the view.

Thursday, 10/18 Silvermine Circular B 6 B
Fred Hodde Bullwnkl1@aol.com or (h) 973-728-3223
(c) 973-722-7824

Meet at the Silvermine Parking lot off Seven Lakes Drive at 9:30 AM. We'll do a circular starting with the Menomine past Lake Nawahunta, followed by the Long Path and AT Trails and returning to the starting point via the Menomine. Registration by e-mail is preferred. Call 973-722-7824 before 8:20 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 119.

Saturday, 10/20 Johnstontown Circular B+ 7 B+
Robert Permutt rpermutt2003@yahoo.com (pref.) or
914-588-0212

Meet 9:30 AM at the Johnstontown Road Parking Circle. Hike to Almost Perpendicular, Claudius Smith's Den, Lake Skenonto and Lake Sebago via the Blue Disc, Victory, Triangle and White Bar Trails. Registration required by 10/18. TC map 118.

Sunday, 10/21 Panther Mountain And The Ledges B 6 B+
Deanna Felicetta felicetta.deanna@gmail.com or 845-216-2021
Hike one of the Catskills' most popular 3500 peaks in the Fall. Enjoy the fun of scrambling and catching lovely views. We will go at a steady pace but plan to stop to admire all lovely sights. Dress in layers and bring water and lunch. If weather poor we will cancel. Must register by Monday before hike. Confirmation e-mail will go out Tuesday night. After that correspondence will be by phone only. Must leave name and phone no. in case we need to cancel. For driving directions go to www.hudsonhikers.org/catskills.html TC map 142.

Sunday, 10/21 Surprise Lake Loop B 6 B+
Fred Hodde Bullwnkl1@aol.com or (h) 973-728-3223 or
(c) 973-722-7824

We'll meet at the A&P/Sears parking lot in the Hewitt section of West Milford at 9:30 AM. We'll hike to the Surprise Lake area on Bearfort Ridge going up via the Bearfort Ridge Trail and returning via the Quail Trail. Registration by e-mail preferred. Call cell before 9:00 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 116.

Wednesday, 10/24 Bear Mt./Hessian Lake C 3 C
John & Louise Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287
Meet at 10 AM in the Bear Mt. parking lot near the newly renovated lodge. Take the Palisades Parkway north & follow the signs to Bear Mt. Enjoy a fall walk around Hessian Lake. TC map 119.

Thursday, 10/25 In The Woods B 7/9 B
Paul Margiotta pjmm11@verizon.net (pref.) or 201-693-6705
Active Thursday hikers will receive a group e-mail from leader by Tuesday for location, time and other details of hike. Others can contact the leader by 7:00 PM on Wednesday. No beginners.

Saturday, 10/27 Apschawa Preserve B 7 B
Pat Marcotullio patmarcotu@optonline.net or 845-729-4046
Apschawa Preserve is a 570 acre preserve off Macopin Rd. in the town of West Milford. It has some wonderful trails and an old,

unfinished water storage project that we will visit. The park is also home to the Butler Reservoir with a trail that goes around it. Meet 9 AM at the Stop & Shop parking lot off Exit 55 on Rt. 287. Steady rain will cancel.

Sunday, 10/28 Bare Rock Vista B 6 B
Kevin Prunty/Jay Reilly gap3380@mac.com or K. (h) 845-942-1249
J.(c) 845-826-3083

We'll meet at the upper parking lot for the Sterling Forest Visitor's Center at 9:30. We'll start with a climb to the Sterling Forest Fire Tower. After taking in the view, we'll hike to the Bare Rock Vista and enjoy lunch. After lunch, we'll return to the Visitor's Center using the Bare Rock and Sterling Lake Loop Trails. Registration by e-mail preferred. Call Jay's cell before 9:00 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 100.

Tuesday, 10/30 Historical Walk of Haverstraw C 2.5 C
John & Louise Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287
Meet at 10 AM at the Brick Museum, 12 Main St., Haverstraw, NY. We will have a talk & walk about Haverstraw of 100 years ago, the brick industry & the landslide of 1906. Meter parking in the front & back of the museum. Free parking is one block away. Some are planning to have lunch at Civile's Venice on the Hudson. Call if you have any questions.

Wednesday, 10/31 Rockland Lake C 3 C
John & Louise Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287
Meet at 10 AM at parking lot #1 near the swimming pool. Use the northern entrance on 9W and Lake Road in Congers. Enjoy an easy walk around the lake. TC map 110.

Thursday, 11/1 In the Woods B 5/8 B
Debbie Bell deb2@columbia.edu or 845-358-8386 (NCA 9 PM)
Varied terrain in Harriman or nearby parks. Contact leader for hike details.

Saturday, 11/3 Terrace Pond Loop B+ 5 A-
Allison Tully 845-656-0442
Great for hikers who want to do a fast hike with me. Panoramic views, short rock scrambles, beaver dam, glacial lake, and some ridges. What more can a hiker want? We start on yellow Terrace Pond South Trail and return on blue Terrace Pond North Trail. Meet 9:45 at Clinton Road lot (designated as P-7) on the right side of the road, about 0.2 mile south of a gas pipeline crossing (just north of the entrance to the Wildcat Mountain Wilderness Site - Project U.S.E.). Be prepared for wet areas. Rain cancels. If in doubt call leader between 8-9 AM. Register by Friday, Nov. 2. TC map 116.

Sunday, 11/4 Daylight Savings Time Ends.

Sunday, 11/4 Jessup Trail To The Megaliths B 8 A
Peter Reiner psr7777@gmail.com or 845-323-7697
Enjoy the marvelous views on Schunemunk Mountain and its double crest. Meet in parking lot on Taylor Road at 9:30 AM in Mountville. We will follow the Jessup and Sweet Clover Trails to the Megaliths and have lunch at the top. This is a strenuous hike with an elevation of 1700 feet above sea level. Rain cancels the hike. Call or e-mail hike leader to register and for directions. TC map 114.

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Thursday, 11/8 To Ramapo Torne And Russian Bear B 7 B
Pat Marcotullio patmarcotu@optonline.net or 845-729-4046
Meet 9 AM Reeves Visitor Center. Steady rain will cancel. TC map 118.

Saturday, 11/10 Blauvelt Parks: Piermont-South Nyack C 10 B
John Jurasek Jurasek@optonline.net or 845-519-4247 (NCA 10 PM)
Visit Rockland Cemetery and the mysterious tunnels of an abandoned National Guard rifle range. Meet in front of 450 Piermont Ave. (building with mural) on the corner of Tate and Piermont Ave. in Piermont, NY by 10:15 AM. Joint with other groups. TC map 110.

Sunday, 11/11 Wyanokie High Point Circular B 7.5 A-
P. Tilgner & S. Gordon browning.27@verizon.net or 201-871-3531
We hike from West Brook Rd. to the Wyanokie High Point for lunch and grand views in Norvin Green State Forest using several different trails. Our return will be on the Highlands Trail. Trailhead parking is limited. Meet first at the Stonetown Recreation Area, Mary Roth Drive (off Stonetown Rd.), at 9 AM for a short car shuttle to trailhead. TC map 115. Joint with IHC.

Thursday, 11/15 In The Woods B 6/8 B
Georgette Fazzari grfhiker@gmail.com (pref.) or 551-265-2369 (NCA 9 PM)
Varied terrain in Harriman or nearby parks. Contact leader the week of hike for details and to register.

Friday, 11/16 NJR Board meeting at home of Richard Sumner 7:30 PM.

Saturday, 11/17 Taurus Trek B 5 A
Chris Connolly c.connolly7@verizon.net 201-321-6605
We take Washburn Trail 1400 feet up to terrific Mt. Taurus East Highlands views. Meet 9:30 AM at Washburn Trailhead Parking on Rt. 9D (.8 mile north of Rt. 301 in Cold Spring, NY). Precipitation cancels. TC map 102.

Sunday, 11/18 Pine Meadow Circular B 7.5 B+
Kevin Prunty/Jay Reilly gap3380@mac.com or K. (h) 845-942-1249 J. (c) 845-826-3083
Meet at 9 AM at the Reeves Visitor's Center for the start. We will follow the Pine Meadow Trail around Pine Meadow Lake, and then take the Kakiat and Stony Brook Trails back to our meeting spot. This is a lovely fall hike with great views of the lake. Call or e-mail leader to register. Call Jay's cell before 9:00 AM if the weather is questionable. TC map 118.

Saturday, 11/24 March Through Jockey Hollow B 5 B
Jeffrey Sovelove Hiker_Dood@yahoo.com
We will do the parts of the Grand Loop, Blue and Yellow Trails at Jockey Hollow National Park in Morristown. We will stop at the Soldiers' Huts. For directions and information see: <http://www.nps.gov/morr/planyourvisit/directions.htm>. Bring lots of water, a light snack, and wear hiking boots. Meet at the visitors' center at 10 AM. Heavy/steady rain cancels. Joint with the Sierra Club.

Saturday, 11/24 RD Trail Maintenance Hike C 6 B
Karen Rose kkarose@aol.com or 201-962-8546
Meet Tiorati Circle at 10 AM. Join me to hike and inspect the RD

to the Wm. Brien Memorial Shelter and back again. We will be stopping to throw off blowdowns, clip back brush, pick up trash, check blazes, etc. Bring work gloves, clippers if you have them, and lunch. Heavy rain cancels. Please call or e-mail to register.

Sunday, 11/25 West Mountain Circular B 7/8 B
Deanna Felicetta felicetta.deanna@gmail.com or 845-216-2021
West Mountain affords some great hiking, some scrambles and some of the area's most gorgeous views of the Hudson and park. Route will be determined by the day's weather. Poor weather cancels. Register by Monday before hike. Confirmation e-mail will go out Tuesday night. After that correspondence will be by phone only. Must leave name and phone number in case we need to cancel. TC map 119.

Thursday, 11/29 Johnstontown Circular B 6.5 B
Fred Hodde Bullwnk1@aol.com or (h) 973-728-3223 or (c) 973-722-7824
Meet at the Johnstontown Circle at 9:30 AM. The planned route will be on the Blue Disc, Victory and White Bar trails. Registration by e-mail preferred. Call cell before 9:00 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 118.

Friday, 11/30 Deadline to RSVP to Suzan Gordon for NJR Holiday Party at Marcello's Restaurant, Suffern, NY.

Saturday, 12/1 Lunch On The Bottle Cap B 7 B
P. Tilgner & S. Gordon browning.27@verizon.net or (c) 201-546-0509
Meet 9:30 AM at Lake Skannatati Parking off Seven Lakes Drive. Hike the Long Path to the Bottle Cap. Then on to the RD, Times Square, and the ASB out. Severe inclement weather cancels. Register with leaders for this outing. TC map 119.

Sunday, 12/2 Ramapo Torne Circular C 5 B
Aaron Schoenberg askus3@optonline.net or 845-987-4893
This hike is a loop from the Reeves Meadow Visitor Center. Scenic views of the Ramapo Valley will be afforded from the summit. TC Map 118. Meet: NY/NJ Trail Conference Office Building (Rt. 202/ Ramapo Valley Rd.) Mahwah, 10 AM. Prefer not to meet at Reeves Meadow due to lack of parking, thus we will carpool.

Thursday, 12/6 In The Woods B 7/9 B
Paul Margiotta pjmm11@verizon.net (pref.) or 201-693-6705
Active Thursday hikers will receive a group e-mail from leader by Tuesday for location, time and other details of hike. Others can contact the leader by 7:00 PM on Wednesday. No beginners please.

Thursday, 12/6 North Jersey Ramapo Holiday Party, Marcello's, Suffern, NY.

Saturday, 12/8 Sterling Forest Meandering - 1 B 8 B
Dean Gletsos 845-354-0738
Starting at the Sterling Forest Visitor Center, we will take a variety of trails not usually frequented. We will visit little lakes and we will admire the many views, especially with the foliage gone. See what you missed and learn about the history of the area. If time permits, visit the panorama, the exhibits and watch a beautiful

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video. Be prepared for the weather, dress appropriately and bring enough food and water. Call leader if in doubt about the weather or for additional information. Meet at the Visitor Center Upper Parking Lot at 9:30 AM. TC map 100.

Sunday, 12/9 Winter In And Out Hike In Harriman B 5/8 B
Deanna Felicetta felicetta.deanna@gmail.com or 845 -216- 2021
Hike from Lake Tiorati to Black Mt. on the RD to catch a view of Silvermine Lake at lunch. Moderate pace. Route may be changed if snow arrives. Bring appropriate clothing and gear for the winter. Poor weather cancels. Register by Monday before hike. Confirmation e-mail will go out Tuesday night. After that correspondence will be by phone only. Must leave name and phone number in case we need to cancel. TC map 119.

Thursday, 12/13 Bare Rock Vista B 6 B
Fred Hodde Bullwnkl1@aol.com or (h) 973-728-3223
(c) 973-722-7824

Meet at the upper parking lot for the Sterling Forest Visitor's Center at 9:30 AM. We start with a climb to the Sterling Forest Fire Tower. After taking in the view, we'll hike to the Bare Rock Vista for lunch. After lunch, we'll return to the Visitor's Center by "strolling" back down the Bare Rock Trail. Registration by e-mail is preferred. Call 973-722-7824 before 9 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 100.

Saturday, 12/15 Queensboro & Turkey Hill Lakes Loop B 5 B
Peter Reiner psr7777@gmail.com or 845-323-7697

Meet at Anthony Wayne Recreation area parking lot at 10 AM for a hike on the Fawn, Timp Torne and 1777W Trails as we explore the beautiful Queensboro and Turkey Hill Lakes. We will lunch by the lake and return on the Anthony Wayne Trail. A few strenuous climbs but this is a moderate hike. TC map 119.

Sunday, 12/16 Surprise Lake Loop B 6 B
Kevin Prunty/Jay Reilly gap3380@mac.com or K. (h) 845-942-1249
J. (c) 845-826-3083

We'll meet at the A&P/Sears parking lot in the Hewitt section of West Milford at 9:30 AM. We'll do a loop around the Surprise Lake area on Bearfort Ridge going up via the Bearfort Ridge Trail and returning via the Quail Trail. Registration by e-mail preferred. Call Jay's cell before 9 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 116.

Thursday, 12/20 In the Woods B 5/8 B
Debbie Bell deb2@columbia.edu or 845-358-8386 (NCA 9 PM)
Varied terrain in Harriman or nearby parks. Contact leader for hike details.

Saturday, 12/22 Sterling Forest Meandering - 2 B 8 B
Dean Gletsos 845-354-0738

Starting at the Sterling Lake Visitor Center, we will take a variety of trails not usually frequented. Similar to Sterling Forest Meandering - I, but different trails will be used. Be prepared for the weather by dressing appropriately and bringing enough food and water. Call leader if in doubt about the weather or for additional info. Meet at the Visitor Center upper parking lot at 9:30 AM. TC map 100.

Sunday, 12/23 Timping Along B 7.5 A-
Chris Connolly c.connolly7@verizon.net or 201-321-6605

We ascend via Cornell Mine Trail to The Timp and Hudson panoramic views, weather permitting. Meet 9:30 AM at Cornell Mine Trailhead Parking on Rt. 9W. Precipitation cancels. TC map 118.

Thursday, 12/27 From the Hollow To The Cabin B 6.5 B
P. Tilgner & S. Gordon browning.27@verizon.net or (c) 201-546-0509

We hike the Parker Cabin Hollow Trail using several other trails to get to Parker Cabin Mt. for lunch. Meet 9:30 AM at the Parker Cabin Trail Parking Pull-Off on Rt. 106 just west of the I-87 underpass. Please register for this hike. Severe inclement weather cancels. TC map 118.

Saturday, 12/29 Bear Mountain Circular B 7 B+
Chris Connolly c.connolly7@verizon.net or 201-321-6605

We step up on AT and return via Popolopen Gorge Trail, weather permitting. Meet 9:30 AM at Fort Montgomery parking lot off Rt. 9W. Precipitation cancels. TC map 118.

Sunday, 12/30 Fahnestock Loop B 7 B
Richard Sumner rls@rsumner.com or 845-362- 8470

My favorite hike in Fahnestock. It includes a section of the AT nice even in winter when the leaves are gone. Meet at 10 AM at first parking pull-off on Rt. 301 (where the AT crosses) at Canopus Lake (take Rt 301 from Cold Spring). Foul weather will cancel. Call before 8:00 AM if uncertain. TC Map 103.

Last-minute changes in the hike schedule will be posted on Facebook and/or Yahoo. This is the place to look for cancellations, changes in meeting place or time and last-minute additions to the hike schedule. The easiest way to get there for the first time is from our website home page www.hudsonhikers.org. Just click on the icon to go to those pages. Remember, you don't have to join Yahoo or Facebook to see our pages.

TIME TO PARTY

Our annual **Holiday Party** will take place at Marcello's Restaurant in Suffern, NY on **Thursday, December 6th** beginning at **7 PM**. We will have time to socialize before sitting down for dinner at 7:40. Marcello has promised us another fantastic evening of fabulous food (salad, pasta, choice of entree, dessert, coffee and/or tea) for the unbelievable price of \$30 per person. A cash bar will be available to keep us merry and in a holiday mood. Please let me know if you will join us by contacting me before November 30th. Looking forward to seeing you then.

Suzan Gordon, Program Chair
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