

## HIKE SCHEDULE • WINTER 2012 • JANUARY • FEBRUARY • MARCH

Sunday, 1/1 A Happy Harriman New Year B6/7B  
Chris Connolly c.connolly7@verizon.net (pref.) or 201-321-6605  
What better way to start 2012 than with a Harriman hike? Route will depend on weather conditions. Precipitation cancels. Meet 10 AM at Sebago Boat Launch Parking Lot off 7 Lakes Drive. TC map 118.

Saturday, 1/7 Mountains, Lakes and Legends (Part 1) B 8 B  
Dean Gletsos 845-354-0738  
We will meander into Harriman Park visiting old legendary ruins, a fire tower still there, a big hill, a couple of lakes and more. Bring warm clothing and sturdy boots, warm drinks, your favored snack and a broad smile. Meet at the parking area off Rt. 106, where it meets the SBM, at 9:30 AM. If questions call leader. TC map 3 (old) or 118 (new).

Sunday, 1/8 X Ski Sterling Forest Moderate  
Peggy Wissler (c) 914-260-7506  
Meet at the Sterling Visitor Center at 10 AM. Contact leader by Friday before to discuss conditions, equipment and route. TC map 100.

Thursday, 1/12 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.

Saturday, 1/14 Ringwood State Park B 9 B+  
Peter Reiner psr7777@gmail.com  
Meet at 9:30AM at Shepherd Lake parking lot in Ringwood State Park. Our hike will include several interesting trails, including Ringwood Ramapo, Halifax and Mountain Loop. We will lunch near a pretty pond and return on the Mountain Loop to the parking lot. Bad weather cancels. E-mail hike leader for directions to meeting spot. TC Map 115.

Sunday, 1/15 Winter Hike in Ramapo Valley Reservation B 5/7 B  
Karen Rose kkarose@aol.com or 201-962-8546  
Get out to enjoy winter. Route determined by weather conditions. Must have traction devices or snowshoes. Bad driving conditions cancels. Call if weather uncertain. Must e-mail or call to register. Meet 10:00 AM at parking lot on Rt. 202. TC map 115.

Thursday, 1/19 In The Woods B 7/9 B  
Paul Margiotta pjmm11@verizon.net (pref.) or 201-693-6705  
"Regular" 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.

Saturday, 1/21 Skyline Drive Circular 7 B 7  
Hank Zulauf hankz46@verizon.net or 201-391-5867  
From lower parking lot off Skyland Drive (Exit 57 off Rt. 287 South) we will hike various trails depending on weather conditions and group size. If ample snow we will snowshoe in the vicinity of Lake

Ramapo. Call or e-mail for details the week of the hike. Pace and route to be determined by weather conditions on the day of the hike. Inclement weather will cancel. Meet 9:30 AM. TC map 115.

Sunday, 1/22 Silvermine Circular B 6 B  
Chris Connolly c.connolly7@verizon.net (pref.) or 201-321-6605  
We'll meet 10 AM at Silvermine Parking Lot off 7 Lakes Drive and traverse circuit via Menomine Trail, Long Path, and AT. Precipitation cancels. TC map 119.

Saturday, 1/28 Tallman Mt. State Park B 6 B  
John Jurasek Jurasek@optonline.net or 845-519-4247 (NCA 10 PM)  
We will meet at 450 Piermont Ave. in Piermont, NY at 11 AM. We will hike through Tallman on the Long Path. Lunch at the Tallman Mountain Shelter. Then out on the pier halfway across the Hudson. Early out possible. Snow may modify the hike. Joint with other groups. TC map 109.

Sunday, 1/29 Sterling Fire Tower Hike / Traverse B 7.5 B  
Peggy Wissler 914-260-7506  
Meet 9 AM sharp at the Sterling Lautenberg Visitor Center Upper Parking Area. We will snowshoe/hike the Fire Tower Trail to the Sterling Fire Tower and continue on the Sterling Ridge Trail traverse parallel to Sterling Lake. We will return on the Sterling Valley Trail to the Sterling Lake Loop and back to the Visitor Center. Call leader to register and discuss winter equipment. TC map 100.

Thursday, 2/2 In The Woods B/C 5/7 B  
Richard Sumner RLS@RSUMNER.COM or 845-362-8470  
Harriman or nearby parks. Call or e-mail for details the week of the hike. Pace may be B or C depending on the group and the weather. Details will also be posted on Facebook and the Yahoo group.

Saturday, 2/4 Stonetown's Other Half B 5.5 B  
Despina Metaxatos dmetaxatos@hotmail.com or 201-952-4151 (NCA 9 PM)  
Meet 9:30 AM at Stonetown Recreation Area ball fields parking off Mary Roth Drive in West Milford. From here we shuttle to Lake Riconda Drive to begin the hike with a challenging uphill on White Trail to Harrison Mountain. We descend south on Red Stonetown Circular Trail, possibly lunching at Tory Rocks or near Signal Rock, hiking through meadows back to the ball fields parking. Register with leader by 2/3. Rain/snow cancels. Appropriate footwear required (traction devices). TC map 115.

Sunday, 2/5 Catskills – Sherrill Mountain C 6 A+  
Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or call 718-377-2990  
9 AM - 9 PM Mon.-Th., 9AM - 6 PM Fri. & Sat.  
Sherrill (3540 ft.), is a complete bushwhack. Ascent 1800 ft. Distance 6 miles. Please bring standard winter gear, including snowshoes, warm clothes, lunch, snacks and at least two liters of water. Pace slower to moderate. Please contact leader to register. TC map 142.

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Sunday, 2/5 The Allis Trail to The AT and Return B 7.5 B  
Pete Tilgner, Suzan Gordon browning.27@verizon.net or  
201-871-3531

This hike begins (9:30 AM) and ends at the Sterling Ridge trail head parking off Rt. 17A (P-8 on TC map 100). We hike the Allis through the Doris Duke Wildlife Sanctuary with good views to the north and south. Lunch at the AT junction. You must register by phone or e-mail for this hike. Traction devices may be necessary. If deep snow an alternate snowshoe hike will be arranged.

Sunday, 2/12 In The Woods B 6/7 B  
John Roebig jhroebig@gmail.com or cell 845-642-8368

Varied terrain in Harriman or nearby parks. Contact leader for hike details. Traction devices may be necessary. Call if weather uncertain. Must e-mail or call to register.

Thursday, 2/16 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.

Thursday, 2/16 NJR Executive Committee Meeting 7:30 PM  
at Sheila Rizzo's home.

Saturday, 2/18 Mountains, Lakes and Legends (Part 2) B 8 B  
Dean Gletsos 845-354-0738

We will meander into Harriman Park visiting old legendary ruins, a fire tower still there, a big hill, a couple of lakes and more. Bring warm clothing and sturdy boots, warm drinks, your favored snack and a broad smile. Meet at the parking area off Rt. 106, where it meets the SBM, at 9:30 AM. If questions call leader. TC map 3 (old) or 118 (new).

Sunday, 2/19 Sterling Forest Surprise B 6 B  
Fred Hodde Bullwnk1@aol.com or 973-728-3223 (H) 973-722-7824 (C)

We'll meet at the upper parking lot for the Sterling Forest Visitor's Center at 9:30 AM. I haven't a clue what February's weather will be, that's the Surprise. The route will be dependent on trail conditions. The goal will be climbing to the Fire Tower or Bare Rock Vista (both if the weather cooperates). Come appropriately prepared (i.e., traction devices as needed) for winter hiking. Registration by e-mail is preferred. Call 973-722-7824 before 9:00 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 100.

Thursday, 2/23 In The Woods B/C 5/7 B  
Richard Sumner RLS@RSUMNER.COM or 845-362-8470  
Harriman or nearby parks. Call or e-mail for details the week of the hike. Pace may be B or C depending on the group and the weather. Details will also be posted on Facebook and the Yahoo group.

Sunday, 2/26 Catskills In February B 7/8 B+  
Deanna Felicetta felicetta.deanna@gmail.com 845-216-2021  
Must call to register for this winter hike in the Catskills' little known peaks by the Beaver Kill Valley. This trail affords scrambles, views and nice mix of forest flora. It is worth the ride. Dress for

winter, warm and in layers. Snowshoes and/or crampons/microspikes will be needed. Register with full name and cell phone number. NO E-MAIL after Tuesday, 7 PM due to limited e-mail access. Hope you will join the fun in this part of the Catskills. Poor weather will cancel. Decision for winter conditions will be made by 6 PM Friday before the hike. Call if uncertain.

Thursday, 3/1 In The Woods B 7/9 B  
Paul Margiotta pjmm11@verizon.net (preferred) or 201-693-6705

"Regular" 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.

Saturday, 3/3 Columbia Rail Trail C 11 C  
Aaron Schoenberg askus3@optonline.net (pref.) or  
845-987-4893 (cell)

The Columbia Trail strings together forests, farms and parklands as it stretches 11 miles among the small towns of High Bridge, Califon and Long Valley in New Jersey. Most of the corridor parallels the South Branch of the Raritan River. A NY/NJ Trail Conference web site with more information on this trail is <http://www.nynjtc.org/park/columbia-trail>. An indoor lunch stop at a cafe along the trail is planned. Note that if significant snow cover exists the hike will still take place but it will be much more strenuous. Traction aids or snowshoes may be required. Contact Aaron for further info about meeting location, time, registering, and snow conditions a couple of days before the hike. A car shuttle is required.

Sunday, 3/4 Sterling Valley/Sterling Ridge Circular B 7.5 B  
Pete Tilgner, Suzan Gordon browning.27@verizon.net or  
201-871-3531

This hike begins (9:30AM) and ends at the Sterling Ridge trail head parking off Rt. 17A (P-8 on TC map 100). We hike down into the valley then on to Sterling Lake for lunch. We return to the ridge on the Bare Rock Trail than hike north on the Sterling Ridge Trail to our starting point. You must register by phone or e-mail for this hike. Traction devices may be necessary.

Thursday, 3/8 In The Woods B/C 5/7 B  
Richard Sumner RLS@RSUMNER.COM or 845-362-8470  
Harriman or nearby parks. Call or e-mail for details the week of the hike. Pace may be B or C depending on the group and the weather. Details will also be posted on Facebook and the Yahoo group.

Saturday, 3/10 1777 Trail B 4 B  
Peter Reiner psr7777@gmail.com  
Meet at 10 AM in a gravel parking lot on the east side of Rt. 9W north of Tompkins Cove, where the 1777 ends. We will follow the 1777 Trail northbound passing through Doodletown. Lunch will be at the Doodletown Reservoir. Continue on the 1777E Trail and end at the parking area near Iona Island. Car shuttle will be required. E-mail hike leader to register for hike and for directions.

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Saturday, 3/10 Catskills - Peekamoose, Table C 7 A+  
and possibly Lone

Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or call 718-377-2990  
9 AM - 9 PM Mon.-Th., 9AM - 6 PM Fri. & Sat.

We will attempt Peekamoose and Table Mts. These two peaks, at 3843 and 3847 ft respectively are the most southerly of the Catskill 3500 peaks. Ascent 2000 ft. If we have enough time we'll attempt Lone. Please bring standard winter gear, including snowshoes, warm clothes, lunch, snacks and at least two liters of water. Please contact leader to register. TC map 143.

Sunday, 3/11 Daylight Savings Time Begins

Sunday, 3/11 Winter Hike in Harriman B 5/7 B

Karen Rose kkarose@aol.com or 201-962-8546 Meet 10:00 AM at Reeves Meadow Visitor Center. Experience the beauty of winter in Harriman Park. Route determined by weather conditions. Must have traction devices or snowshoes. Bad driving conditions cancels. Call if weather uncertain. Must e-mail or call to register. TC map 118.

Thursday, 3/15 Bare Rock Vista B 6 B

Fred Hodde Bullwnkl1@aol.com or 973-728-3223 (H) 973-722-7824 (C)

We'll meet at the upper parking lot for the Sterling Forest Visitor's Center at 9:30 AM. The route will be dependent on trail conditions. If all goes according to plan, we'll start with a climb to the Sterling Forest Fire Tower. The main goal will be enjoying lunch and the view on Bare Rock Vista. Come appropriately prepared (i.e., traction devices as needed) for winter hiking. Registration by e-mail is preferred. Call 973-722-7824 before 9:00 AM if the weather is questionable. TC Map 100.

Saturday, 3/17 Adirondacks - Phelps Mt. C 9 A+

Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or call 718-377-2990  
9 AM - 9 PM Mon.-Th., 9AM - 6 PM Fri. & Sat.

Please join me for a great winter climb. We'll ascend the normal way and then descend via a slide, which is often used by skiers. Elevation 4161 ft. Ascent 2000 ft. Please bring standard winter gear, including snowshoes, warm clothes, lunch, snacks and at least two liters of water. Please contact leader to register and for carpool information.

Sunday, 3/18 Fahnestock Loop B 7 B

Richard Sumner RLS@RSUMNER.COM or 845-362-8470

My favorite hike in Fahnestock. It includes a nice section of the AT. Meet at 9:30 AM at first parking lot (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.

Wednesday, 3/21 Rockland Lake C 3 C

Louise & John Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287  
Meet 10 AM at parking lot #1 near the swimming pool. We will walk around Rockland Lake. Rain cancels. If there are any questions call for info. TC map 110.

Thursday, 3/22 Stony Brook to Pine Meadow Lake B 7 B

Pat Marcotullio patros@optonline.net or 845-729-4046

Meet 9:30 AM Reeves Visitor Center for a hike up Pine Meadow Lake using different trails. Inclement weather cancels. TC map 118.

**Thursday, 3/22 NJR Meeting At Nanuet Public Library 7:30 PM**

The program, "The Boys of Bergen: The Civilian Conservation Corps in Bergen County" will be presented by Kathleen Duxbury, CCC Researcher. This is a multi-media presentation and discussion of the history of one of the most successful of the 1930's New Deal programs.

Saturday 3/24 Long Path From Rt. 6 C 5 B

Denis and Joan Kmiec kmiec20@yahoo.com or 845-634-1397 (NCA 9 PM)

We take the Long Path south to Stockbridge Shelter. We return on the Menomine and Nawhaunta Fire Road. Out by 1:30. E-mail or call for directions. Snow, ice or rain cancels. Call if weather is doubtful by 8 AM. Meet 10 AM Rt. 6 Long Path crossing Parking Lot. TC Map 119.

Sunday, 3/25 Torne Mountain Hike B 5 B

Peggy Wissler 914-260-7506

Meet at 9 AM sharp at the Reeves Visitor Center parking area. We will follow the blue Seven Hills trail until the intersection with the orange Hillburn-Torne-Sebago Trail. We will follow this trail to the Summit of Torne Mountain. After lunch, we will reverse our route. If conditions are very good, an addition to the return route may be added. Call leader to register and discuss winter equipment. TC map 118.

Wednesday, 3/28 Hessian Lake & Bear Mt. Bridge C 4 C

Louise & John Parnell parnelljt@optonline.net or 845-290-5287

Meet at 10 AM at the Bear Mt. Inn parking lot for a walk around Hessian Lake and a possible walk over the Bear Mt. Bridge, if weather permits. Enjoy a hot drink in the newly opened cafe at the inn. If there are any questions call for info. TC map 119.

Thursday, 3/29 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, 3/31 Harriman Park-Suffern- B 8 B+

Bear Mountain (SBM) Trail

Elie Bijou adirondacks@verizon.net or call 718-377-2990

9 AM - 9 PM Mon.-Th., 9AM - 6 PM Fri. & Sat.

We will hike the southernmost third of this trail from the southern terminus to the Equestrian Center off the Pine Meadow Trail with all the SBM's ups and downs. We'll spot vehicles at each end. Well-behaved and leashed dogs welcome. Please contact leader for meeting time, place, and to register. TC map 118.