

TriState Ramblers
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Cushtunk Mountain Preserve, February 2024



TriState Ramblers Schedule

JANUARY-JUNE 2025

Letter from the President

I am writing my greetings to you before Thanksgiving 2024. I will soon have survived my first year as TSR president. It's been a good year for me! What makes the TSR great are our great hikers, hike leaders, special task leaders and Executive Board members. They are all not only highly competent, but also a pleasure to work with.

We do many things extremely well, but how about what we might improve? I would love to be able to wave a magic wand and ease into improvements, even if I'm not sure how to do it and even if I'm aware that there is no perfection.

My dream is to make our expeditions more cohesive. For one thing, how could we clarify how a hiker or paddler who is less experienced could figure out from the calendar or schedule if a hike or paddle matches his or her ability? The match frequently happens, I know, but not always, and leaders (including the president) sometimes hear constructive criticism of a mismatch. Being left behind is one thing that sometimes changes an active member to an inactive member. I ask you to give a thought to how we might help, and then do what you think best. We trust our leaders' judgment and enthusiastically welcome new leaders into the challenges and the satisfactions.

There's the notice and there's the flexibility. Before the trip, I've started to indicate in my write-ups the average pace (more or less 2 mph), along with an adjective (like challenging or social, etc.). I continue to follow the day of the week as an indicator of the trip's difficulty, as well as its distance and elevation. During the trip, when needed, we stop to rest, or even change our route, or even guide part of our group to a short way out, or, perhaps reluctantly, to slow down for the slowest hikers. One thing is the notice, the other thing is the flexibility during the trip. The main thing is to be happy.

When the match works, the hiking or paddling group stays together as a group. Let's drink (some water) to safety and friendship. The fundamental principles are thanks, joy, and health to all members of TriState Ramblers. May we continue to serve each other and welcome non-members to become active members and join us.

Gordon Thomas
President
TriState Ramblers

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Founded 1938 as the Union County Hiking Club

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*Periodically our officers meet to conduct club business. All members are welcome to attend.
Please contact the president for the place and time of the next meeting.*

WHO WE ARE

The basic purpose of the TriState Ramblers is to serve those actively interested in the great outdoors and to increase their numbers. To that end, our club offers a varied program of outdoor activities, providing wholesome recreation while contributing to physical fitness. To the same end, our club supports worthy conservation efforts. We are a member of and contribute to The NYNJ Trail Conference.

ABOUT OUR ACTIVITIES

OUR HIKES

We generally offer hikes 7 days of the week. The length, pace and difficulty of our hikes vary according to the day of the week. Please use this guide when considering hikes to find a match for your interest and ability. Note that most hikes take place on rough, uneven, rocky terrain. They are not a “walk in the park” on wide paved paths.

- Monday walks/hikes — are about 3 miles/1.5 hours at a social pace
- Tuesday hikes — are for experienced hikers; 5 to 7 miles at a moderate pace. Terrain can be challenging. Bring trail lunch.
- Wednesday hikes — are 2 to 2.5 hours, about 4 to 5 miles
- Thursday hikes — are strenuous hikes with challenging terrain for experienced hikers; 7 miles or more at a vigorous pace with few rest stops. Bring trail lunch.
- Alternate Thursday hikes — are 5 to 7 miles at a moderate social pace for experienced hikers. Bring trail lunch.
- Friday and weekend hikes — can vary from short 2-hour hikes to challenging long hikes. Check the hike description and contact the leader if you need further information.

OUR PADDLING TRIPS

Paddling trips are offered seasonally, generally on Fridays.

- Bring a canoe or kayak
- Life jackets (personal flotation device) ARE REQUIRED
- Bring lunch and dry clothes in a waterproof bag
- River runs are dependent on the water level in the river
- Rentals are usually not available at launch sites, however, check with the leader

OUR BIKE RIDES

Bike rides are offered seasonally.

- Bring a bike appropriate for the route. Most rides are on bike trails or paved roads. See the ride description for more information.
- Helmets ARE REQUIRED.

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Outdoor sports involve some hazards. The members who volunteer to lead our outings claim no special qualifications. Each participant in club activities — whether member or guest — must assume full responsibility for his or her own safety, relieving the club, the leaders, and all other co-participants of any and all responsibility in that connection — excluding, of course, individual responsibility for willfully inflicted injury. Adults who bring children to club activities must additionally assume full responsibility for the safety and conduct of such children. Your participation in any club activity is at the discretion of the leader.

- Leaders do not charge for their leadership services. Leaders may collect entrance fees, but the charges should not exceed the outlay for the day's event.
- Generally, non-member guests are not allowed on any of our indoor and outdoor activities.
EXCEPTION: Show-and-Go hikes.

- If you have questions about an outing, please contact the leader.
- Cell phone use, including texting, is discouraged while hiking, except for emergencies.
- Wear adequate footwear, a helmet, or a personal flotation device, as appropriate for the activity.
- Be adequately prepared for weather and trail conditions (e.g. rain gear, traction devices or snowshoes, sunscreen, bug nets).
- Consume sufficient food and liquids to adequately sustain your energy and hydration level.
- ALWAYS carry identification, including phone numbers of people to be notified in an emergency.
- Do not go ahead of the hike leader except with permission — and then only to the next trail junction. Leaders should be permitted to lead, followers are expected to follow, and explorers should plot their own trips.
- This is a club for people; dogs are not allowed.
- Smoking is not allowed during any club activity.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Schedule changes are communicated via a Google Groups discussion group. All new members are automatically subscribed to this group. This Google Group is only used for club business, mainly to notify members of schedule changes. Email addresses are never shared for commercial or solicitation purposes. Note that messages are moderated to ensure the messaging system is used for appropriate club business only.

You do *not* have to sign-in/log-in to Google Groups in order to view or send messages. Messages will come directly to the email box that you subscribed with. Hike leaders can communicate schedule changes by simply addressing their email to tristateramblers@googlegroups.com.

For assistance with subscribing, contact the club webmaster at tsrhikers@gmail.com.

BE A TRIP LEADER!

Please volunteer to LEAD! We can only keep our club vibrant with LEADERS! Contact the appropriate Outing Coordinator if you are interested in leading a hike, paddling trip or bike ride.

Useful information for leaders can be found on our website www.tristateramblers.org on the “For Leaders” page.

DIRECTIONS

Unless given with the event listing, directions for meeting places are available on our club website www.tristateramblers.org.

 indicates a paddling trip.

 indicates a bike ride.

Using SignUp Genius

SIGNING UP FOR A HIKE

In the weekly email you can find a link to:

- The schedule for the current month. You can also find that on the TSR website schedule page <https://www.tristateramblers.org/member-schedules-directions>
- Once you decide on the hike you want to take, go to the SignUp Genius page [Sign up on SignUp Genius](#).

Bookmark these pages — doing this will always lead you to the current hikes, even if you did not get the weekly emails.

You can:

- Sign up for 1 hike (or waitlist if your chosen hike is full)

AND

- Sign up for 1 waitlist, listing “2nd hike” in the comment section.
- If, after 8 pm, there are open spots and nobody on the waitlist for the following day, you can also sign up for that hike and it will NOT count for one of your 2 weekly hikes.

The signups are monitored manually, so please do not move your name up from the waitlist, even if there is a free space!

After signing up, you will receive a confirmation email. **Save this email, it will make it easier if you want to change your signup.**

DELETING YOUR SIGNUP

Follow the directions in the file “Deleting your Signup”, which you can find on the SignUp Genius page, right above the list of all the hikes.

You can only delete your confirmation or add a comment to your signup. If you want to change hikes, you will have to delete your first hike, and then sign up for the new hike.

OTHER IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- All participants are REQUIRED to PRE-REGISTER online when an activity is listed on SignUp Genius.
- Anyone who shows up for an activity that is listed on SignUp Genius without signing up will not be permitted to participate.
- Members who are unable to participate in an event for which they signed up must change their RSVP status immediately.
- Members who sign up and do not show up will be issued up to two warnings. After three violations members may no longer sign up for any events that require limits in participation.
- By signing up, members agree to abide by the rules and procedure listed on SignUp Genius, above the list of hikes.
- SignUp Genius does NOT restrict the number of hikes you can sign up for. YOU must keep track of the hikes you sign up for to ensure that you are not in violation of our guidelines. Members are limited in the number of sign-ups per week in order to give more members an opportunity to participate.
- A waitlist is available for each activity. Members are encouraged to sign up on the waitlist, even if there are several names already listed, to demonstrate the level of interest for an activity and perhaps motivate someone to volunteer to lead a second hike.
- The TSR executive board reserves the right to manage sign-ups to ensure equitable access to members.
- Additional hike leaders may be needed some days to accommodate all members who wish to participate (i.e., even the members on the waitlist). The best way to increase the numbers of hikers that may participate each week is to increase the number of hikes each week. **Please consider volunteering to lead!**

January to June 2025

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 — Tourne Park, West Entrance, Denville, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike 5-6 miles with some up and downs, at a social pace. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This moderately strenuous 8-mile hike will travel on the yellow, blue, red/silver, and orange trails to a panoramic viewpoint overlooking the Manhattan skyline. After lunch at the overlook, return will be on the yellow, yellow/silver, red, blue, and yellow trails. Weather conditions may modify route. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This 6- to 7- mile hike at a moderate pace takes the blue trail to Wyanokie High Point with lunch at Chikahoki Falls, returning on the Lower and Mine Trails. About 1,000 feet elevation gain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, New Weis Center.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be a 5- to 7-mile hike with up to 1400 feet elevation gain. We will average 30-minute miles on the flats and 45 to 50-minute miles when climbing. Early outs are available. Exact route will depend on the weather and trail conditions. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6 — Loantaka Brook Reservation, Morris Twp., NJ

Leader: Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860 on day of event only, bigggsgail@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 3-mile hike on level surface, paved and unpaved. Portable facilities available. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Kitchell Road.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 — Fahnestock Big Woods, Cold Spring, NY

Leader: Bill Medeot, cell 914-844-7038, billwp218@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. 9-mile hike with 1200 feet elevation gain. This hike will take about 5 hours. Terrain is "moderate" (rolling), pace is vigorous. Not a typical Tuesday hike. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: Big Woods Trailhead Parking, Route 301, Cold Spring, NY 41.44481, -73.86600.

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ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com
Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 5- to 6-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 3 hours including two or three stops for views, water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by Alltrails with a 873 ft elevation gain. There are several uphill climbs that can be challenging for those unprepared, so this may be difficult for a novice. We'll go clockwise up the trail, ascending on the orange trail and then back to the Visitor's Center using the yellow, green dot and orange trails. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.
Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 — Lake Sebago Boat Launch, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com
Start: 9:30 AM. Moderate 9.4- mile hike at a vigorous pace, elevation gain 1,500 ft., Panther Mountain Loop via Pine Meadow Lake. Note cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside, NJ

Leader: Bill LaChance, cell 973-216-8748, bill@wjladvisors.com
Start: 10:00 AM at Trailside Nature Center parking lot. A 4+ mile hike at a moderate pace. 400 ft elevation gain. Spikes recommended if conditions warrant. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring snack.
Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Trailside Nature Center.

MONDAY, JANUARY 13 — South Mountain Reservation, Millburn/Maplewood, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com
Start: 10:00 AM. Starting at the second parking lot on Crest Drive, we will hike a 3-mile loop to Washington Rock and other viewpoints. Basically flat. Some reaches of the trail are a little rocky with roots. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, traction devices.
Directions: Follow TSR Directions to South Mountain Res. # 1, Dog Park, but park at the second parking lot on Crest Drive.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 — Silvermine, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com
Start: 10:00 AM. Moderate 5.5-mile circular hike, elevation gain 1,100 ft. We'll take the Menomine Trail to AT to Black Mountain and Spanish Mine, then back on AT and Silvermine Road. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

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ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 — Jonathan Woods, Denville, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com
Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike 5 to 6 miles on a variety of trails with some ups and downs, at a social pace. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 — Lake Tiorati, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This moderately strenuous hike of about 8 miles will take the AT to lunch at the Brien Memorial shelter. We will return on the RD. 1200 ft of elevation gain. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

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MONDAY, JANUARY 20 — Colonial Park, Somerset, NJ

Leader: Jeff Bross, 732-545-9841, cell 732-991-6560, jeff1hike@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Very flat 3-4 miles starting in Colonial Park and hiking along the D&R Canal Towpath. Facilities available. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Parking Lot A/Rose Garden.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This is a 4- to 5-mile loop hike on the Turkey Mountain side at a moderate pace. Expect over 600 feet of elevation gain, some sustained climbs, and a waterfall. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22 — Cushtunk Mountain Preserve, Clinton Township, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:30 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 7 mi., 1300', and 2mph (not fast). No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note later start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Old Mountain Road.

ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 — Pyramid Mountain, Boonton, NJ

Leader: Paul Augustyniak, cell 973-219-4807, paugust586@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 5-mile hike at a social pace, 800 ft elevation change. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Kincaid Parking.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Anastasia Tavarez, cell 646-207-4136, atavare@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. This is a strenuous 8-mile hike along the Story Brook and up Diamond Mtn. 1900 feet elevation gain. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 — Rainbow Hill at Sourland Mountain Preserve, Ringoes, NJ

Leader: Bonnie Ackerman, cell 908-864-3680, ack.bonnie@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Leaders choice of trails, moderate pace for a 4- to 5-mile hike. The trails have slight elevation, 300-500 ft, and a lake in the center. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: 386 Wertsville Rd, Ringoes, NJ. GPS: 40.461655, -74.785390. Do NOT meet at the main parking lot for Sourland Mountain Preserve.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside, NJ

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Brisk-paced hike (>2mph) of approximately 7-8 miles and 900 ft elevation gain with possible water crossings and some steep ascents/descents; this hike is not for beginners. Early out possible. Please note early start time. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Trailside Nature Center.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27 — Great Swamp Center, Chatham, NJ

Leader: Ken Donhauser, cell 732-616-7409 to be used day of event only, kendonhauser@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 3 miles on flat stone and boardwalk. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: Great Swamp Morris County Education Center, 247 Southern Blvd, Chatham NJ.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28 — Chimney Rock Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:30 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 6 miles, 1000', 2 mph. Challenging hike with views of Middle Brook Falls, Eagle's Nest, Hawk Watch platform, Chimney Rock and Quarry. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note later start time.

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ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 30 — Silas Condict Park, Kinnelon, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a deceptively strenuous hike with MANY rock scrambles. Not recommended for those who prefer gentle hiking. We will do a 4-mile hike using the white and red trails. This will be at a moderate pace (2 mph), approx. 2 hours. The trail is rated moderate by AllTrails with a 530 ft elevation gain. There are several uphill climbs and rock scrambles that some have found difficult. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30 — Stonetown Circular, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Jason Briggs, cell 862-228-4972, jasonbriggs99@outlook.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This is a very strenuous, fast-paced, 12-mile hike that offers beautiful views and will have over 3000 feet of elevation gain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a 5- to 6-mile moderate hike at a moderate pace. We will take the Grand Loop, Outer Loop and Yellow trails. Mostly flat to rolling, except for the climb to Sugar Loaf. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor Center.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3 — South Mountain Reservation, Millburn, NJ

Leader: Donna Burkat, cell 973-454-5635, busybees813@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Approximately 3 miles along the Fairy Trail with some gradual up and down hills. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, Locust Grove.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This 7-mile hike at a moderate pace will follow the blue to white to green, around Bear Swamp and back on the red/silver. There is one climb at the beginning of the hike, otherwise not much change in elevation. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 — Farny Area, Rockaway, NJ

Leader: Bill Medeot, cell 914-844-7038, billwp218@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Challenging 11-mile loop hike. It is rocky, with constant elevation changes of about 1900 feet and some scrambling. This hike will take about 6 to 7 hours. This is a very rocky trail; it is not easy going. We will be going around Splitrock Reservoir in a clockwise direction. This is not a typical Tuesday hike. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #6, Fisherman's Parking area at Splitrock reservoir.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 — Washington Valley Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:30 AM. Approx. distance, elevation, and pace: 5 miles, 450', 2 mph (not fast). We will walk around the reservoir, but not including the Chimney Rock East part of the park. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note later start time.

Directions: Park at Washington Valley Park WEST, 700-728 Newmans Lane, Martinsville.

ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 5- to 6-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 3 hours including two or three stops for views, water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by AllTrails with a 873 ft elevation gain. There are several uphill climbs that can be challenging for those unprepared, so this may be difficult for a novice. We'll go clockwise up the trail, ascending on the orange trail and then back to the Visitor's Center using the yellow, green dot and orange trails. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Brisk-paced (>2mph) strenuous hike with 9+ miles and 2000 ft elevation gain on leader's choice of trails. Steep inclines and rock scrambles; this hike is not for beginners. Cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, New Weis Center.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 — Lake Sebago Boat Launch, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be a 5- to 7-mile hike with elevation gain up to 1200 feet. We will average 30-minute miles on the flats and 45 to 50-minute miles when climbing. Exact route will depend on the weather and trail conditions. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 — Tourne Park, East Entrance, Boonton, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This 3.2-mile hike will start at the ballfield parking lot on a short unblazed trail to the red trail, then blue trail, past the spring house, reconnect to the blue trail, loop around Birchwood Lake and take the Ogden trail back. The beginning hike on the red and blue trail has rocky reaches where footing will be somewhat difficult. The elevation gain is just over 200 feet, Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Baseball Field Parking Lot.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Tim Burman, cell 732-682-8684 to be used day of event only, timburman@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 7 miles with some ups and downs. Could be wet spots. A good workout, but no extreme difficulties. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Manaticut Point.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12 — Cooper Mill, Chester, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 6 miles, 600', 2 mph (not slow). Picnic by the river. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 — Farny Area, Rockaway, NJ

Leader: Paul Augustyniak, cell 973-219-4807, paugust586@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike 6.5 miles to Wildcat Ridge and Beaver Pond on various trails at a moderate pace. Not for beginners; 945' elevation gain. A few hundred feet from the start, we'll make a short stop to check out the bat cave. Lunch stop at Hawkwatch Wildcat Ridge. On the way back, we'll make a brief stop at the defunct St. Patrick's Cemetery, the site of an old mining town abandoned in the late 1800s. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Four Birds South Lot.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a strenuous, vigorously-paced, 9-mile hike with 1500' elevation gain. We will take the Pine Meadow trail around Pine Meadow Lake, continue on the White to the SBM, returning on the Kakiat, Raccoon Brook and Reeves Brook trails. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 — Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park Trail, Princeton, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 11:00 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 6 miles, 200', 2 mph (not slow). Walk along Lake Carnegie on the Tow path of the D&R Canal, and climb to one of Washington's houses. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note later start time. *Directions:* Parking lot next to the Historic Locktender's house at 39 Old Lincoln Highway, Princeton. The road is SR 27 and the site is near Kingston. GPS: 40.374004, -74.618495.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 — South Mountain Reservation, Millburn, NJ

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Moderately strenuous 9-mile loop at brisk pace (2+ mph) with 1400 ft elevation gain, possible water crossings and some steep ascents/descents. This hike is not for beginners. Early out possible. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, Locust Grove.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17 — Nomahegan Park, Cranford, NJ

Leader: Ken Donhauser, cell 732-616-7409 to be used day of event only, kendonhauser@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 3 miles on stone and paved walkways; the walk is flat and easy. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: water.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 — Colonial Park, Somerset, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will walk along the D&R Canal for 6 miles at a moderate pace on a flat path. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Parking Lot F/Perennial Gardens.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

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ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 — Silas Condict Park, Kinnelon, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a deceptively strenuous hike with MANY rock scrambles. Not recommended for those who prefer gentle hiking. We will do a 4-mile hike using the white and red trails. This will be at a moderate pace (2 mph), approx. 2 hours. The trail is rated moderate by AllTrails, with a 530 ft elevation gain. There are some uphill climbs and rock scrambles that some have found difficult. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 — Elk Pen, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Moderately strenuous 8-mile circular hike at a vigorous pace via Valley of Boulders, Hogencamp Mountain, Times Square and back on AT. Elevation gain 1,500 ft. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 — Terrace Pond, Hewitt, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 9:15 AM. This is an 8-mile hike at a vigorous pace on the Blue Terrace Pond loop, including the loop around Terrace pond on the white trail. The terrain can be challenging for some, although not technical. About 1000 feet of elevation gain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions for Abram S. Hewitt State Forest #2, Highlands Preserve Passaic County Park. We will carpool or caravan to the trailhead, depending on numbers, due to very limited parking at the trailhead.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 — Sterling Forest, Tuxedo Park, NY

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

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Start: 10:00 AM. This is a 6-mile hike through the forest with <750 feet elevation gain. We will average about 35 to 40 minute miles. The ups and downs are mainly on switchbacks. If we have enough snow, we could snowshoe. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: Put Caretaker's Lot - Sterling Forest into your GPS. Coordinates are 41.2040, -74.2451. The lot will have a sign, Caretaker's Parking. You will start off as if you were going to the Sterling Forest Visitor Center. The Caretaker's lot is on LongMeadow Road, about 1/4 mi north of Old Forge Rd, which is the road that goes to the Visitor Center and is about 3.5 mi south of 17A.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 — Chimney Rock Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Sue Bennett, cell 732-735-8895, jerseyhyker@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. From Chimney Rock Park parking lot, we will walk approximately six miles in Washington Valley Park West on white, red and blue trails. This is a moderate hike with wooded terrain, some hills, and a view of the reservoir. Estimated 600' elevation. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside, NJ

Leader: Ken Donhauser, cell 732-616-7409 to be used day of event only, kendonhauser@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a 3-mile flat hike to the water tower and horse stables. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Trailside Nature Center.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a moderately strenuous 6-mile circular hike with 1,400 ft elevation gain. We will take the Pine Meadow Trail to Pine Meadow Lake, then back on Conklins Crossing (W), SBM (Y), and Pine Meadow Trail (R). Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 — Cushetunk Mountain Preserve, Clinton Township, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Approximate distance, elevation and pace: 6 mi, 500', 2mph (not fast). Lunch by Round Valley Reservoir. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Old Mountain Road.

ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 — Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Jefferson, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. The hike will be about 6 miles with ups and downs, at a social pace. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Saffin Pond.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 — Tuxedo Circular, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Anastasia Tavaréz, cell 646-207-4136, atavare@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. This is a strenuous 9-mile hike at a vigorous pace with over 2100 feet of elevation gain. Parking charge of \$3.00. Please download the ParkMobile app before coming on this hike as you will need to create an account to pay. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR directions to Harriman State Park, Locations off NY 17.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

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SATURDAY, MARCH 1 — Lake Sebago Boat Launch, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a six- to seven-mile hike with approximately 1200 feet of elevation gain. We will average 30 minute miles on level terrain and 45 - 50 minute miles when climbing. Exact route will depend on the weather and trail conditions. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. We will hike 6 - 7 miles and climb approximately 1200 feet. We will average 30 minute miles on the flats and up to 50 minute miles when climbing. Exact route will be determined by the weather and conditions on the ground. We may pass one of the park's less frequently visited waterfalls. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, New Weis Center.

MONDAY, MARCH 3 — Lewis Morris Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860 on day of event only, biggsgail@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Hike three miles from Lewis Morris into Jockey Hollow and return. Brief uneven trail at start and then moderate path to paved section at the end. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: water.

Directions: See TSR Directions to Lewis Morris Park #3, Sugar Loaf Area. Parking lot A.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4 — Skylands, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a 6- to 7-mile moderately paced hike in Ringwood State Park. There is one large uphill as we climb up Mt. Defiance on the pink trail, continue on much of the Five Ponds loop, and return on the white trail. Expect over 1000 feet of elevation gain, some steep downs, some flat trails. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Parking Lot A.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Approximate distance, elevation and pace: 5 mi., 300', less than 2 mph (not fast). Hike along Surprise Lake and Blue Brook. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Trailside Nature Center.

ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 6 — Schooley's Mtn. County Park, Long Valley, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 3-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 2 hours, with breaks for water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by AllTrails with a 669 ft elevation gain. The trail begins with a steep climb that may be challenging for some. We will proceed in a counter-clockwise direction that includes rock scrambling up and down steep grades. Optional: At the return to the parking lot, we can walk along the Columbia Trail to the Coffee Potter for a coffee/snack (add 2 miles to hike). No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: 135 Fairview Ave. Long Valley, NJ. GPS Coordinates: N40° 47'12.22" W74° '35.46".

THURSDAY, MARCH 6 — Anthony's Nose, Garrison, NY

Leader: Bill Medeot, cell 914-844-7038, billwp218@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. This strenuous hike is about 10 miles long with about 2300 feet of elevation gain. Hike time between 5 and 6 hours. We will climb up the face of Anthony's Nose. We'll take the Appalachian Trail down to 9D, cross the Bear Mountain Bridge and walk through the zoo. We'll continue around Hessian Lake to the (R) Major Welch Trail, which will take us to the Perkins Fire Tower. The return will be down the AT stairs through the park and zoo, over the Bear Mountain Bridge and back to the cars. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: Take the Palisades Interstate Parkway to the Bear Mountain Bridge. Park alongside the road after you cross the bridge and turn left onto US 9D. Pay attention to "No Parking" signs. GPS 41.32017, -73.97909.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7 — Sourland Mountain Preserve, Hillsborough, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:30 AM. Approximate distance, elevation and pace: 5 miles, 200', less than 2 mph (not fast). Lunch near "Roaring Rocks." Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note later start time.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

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SUNDAY, MARCH 9 — DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS — Set clocks ahead

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MONDAY, MARCH 10 — Johnson Park, Piscataway, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM inside the park at Grove #5 near the bathrooms. We will do a flat 3.0 mile walk along the D&R Canal. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, traction devices.

Directions: From I-287 Exit 9 (River Rd. toward Highland Park): Take River road (R-622) approximately 4.0 miles towards Highland Park. Make a right when you reach the light at Landing Lane. From Landing Lane make the first right onto Johnson Park Road. Make the first left into the parking lot for Grove #5. [Close to bathroom.] GPS Meeting place: 40.5102999, -74.4658346.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11 — Bald Pate Mountain at Ted Stiles Preserve, Titusville, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Distance, elevation: and pace: about 6 miles, 700' and below 2 mph. Lunch near the top (highest peak in Mercer County) with a view of the Delaware River and Washington's Crossing. Early out available. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: Meet at hikers' parking lot off Fiddler's Creek Road (near 90 Fiddler's Creek Rd.) at sign for Bald Pate Mountain at Ted Stiles Preserve (GPS 40.31719436985521, -74.88874211881817). Not the nearby main driveway to Visitor's Center..

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 — Watchung Reservation, Berkeley Heights, NJ

Leader: Ken Donhauser, cell 732-616-7409 to be used day of event only, kendonhauser@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike slowly for 4.5 miles on the white trail to Seeley's Pond. There is one hill. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Seeley's Pond.

ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 13 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com
Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 5- to 6-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 3 hours, including two or three stops for views, water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by AllTrails with a 873 ft elevation gain. There are several uphill climbs that can be challenging for those unprepared, so this may be difficult for a novice. We'll go clockwise up the trail, ascending on the orange trail and then back to the Visitor's Center using the yellow, green dot and orange trails. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.
Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13 — Anthony Wayne Recreation Area, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com
Start: 10:00 AM. Strenuous 8-mile hike, elevation gain 2,000 ft at a vigorous pace. Fawn to Timp Torne, continue to Timp and return on rerouted RD. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

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SATURDAY, MARCH 15

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SUNDAY, MARCH 16 — Hartshorne Woods, Atlantic Highlands, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com
Start: 10:00 AM. 6 miles over mostly gently rolling terrain. There are some hills. Facilities available. Bring: lunch, water.
Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Rocky Point.

MONDAY, MARCH 17 — Allamuchy Mountain State Park, Stanhope, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com
Start: 10:00 AM. This is an out-and-back 3-mile hike mainly on the Sussex Branch. There may be a short hill at the beginning of the hike and a stream crossing, but otherwise the trail is wide and basically flat. There is the possibility of extending the hike on the Sussex Branch to Cranberry Lake which would add about 1.5 - 2 miles. Leaders' option, although there will be an early out to limit the hike to 3 miles. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.
Directions: See TSR Directions #3, North Allamuchy.

TUESDAY, MARCH 18 — North Allamuchy, Byram, NJ

Leader: Yanling Cheng, cell 732-485-9922, yanlingcheng@yahoo.com
Start: 10:00 AM. About 6 miles, 1100 ft elevation gain over mostly hilly, rocky terrain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.
Directions: North Allamuchy (Earthworm Lot) Byram, (close to Waterloo Village). I-80 Exit 25. Follow signs to Waterloo village. Turn right onto International Drive and then turn right onto Continental Drive at light to end at Waterloo Road. Turn left onto Waterloo Road, drive 1.3 miles to the GPS coordinate, turn right onto a narrow unpaved driveway to the parking lot. You should have just passed Waterloo Village on your left. Note the driveway to the parking lot off Waterloo Road is narrow and unpaved. There is no sign here, please slow down and pay attention when you get close to the GPS point. GPS Coordinates: 40°54'59.8"N 74°45'40.2"W.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 — Rutgers Ecological Preserve, Piscataway, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM at parking lot for the Rutgers Preserve. We will hike 5.0 miles with a few small hills. Minor brook crossing. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, traction devices.

ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 20 — Silas Condict Park, Kinnelon, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a deceptively strenuous hike with MANY rock scrambles. Not recommended for those who prefer gentle hiking. We will do a 4-mile hike using the white and red trails. This will be at a moderate pace (2 mph), approx. 2 hours. The trail is rated moderate by AllTrails with a 530 ft elevation gain. There are some uphill climbs and rock scrambles that some have found difficult. Portable facilities available. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

THURSDAY, MARCH 20 — Cold Spring to Beacon, Cold Spring, NY

Leader: Bill Correa, cell 917-656-3015, correa.bill@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This is a point-to-point hike so we will meet at 9:30 in Cold Spring and then drive/leave some cars at Beacon, where the hike ends. This strenuous 9- to 10- mile hike at a vigorous pace has 2500 ft. of elevation gain. We will take the “easier” blue trail from the red and not the more difficult yellow to the top of Breakneck Ridge. There is a scramble up to the fire tower in Beacon with great views. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions for Cold Spring, NY.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21 — Lake Skannatati, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Julie Stanton, cell 917-972-0212 to be used day of event only, julienyc@msn.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Hike at a brisk (2+ MPH) pace for approximately 6 to 6.5 miles, including an optional visit to an eerie mine shaft on the A-S, Dunning and Long Path trails. We will stop for a 10-15 minute snack/lunch break at Hogencamp Mountain. This hike has some steep ups and downs and a stream crossing. Note that cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

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SUNDAY, MARCH 23 — Cushetunk Mountain Preserve, Clinton Township, NJ

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Approximately 6 miles and 1400 feet elevation gain at a brisk pace (2+ mph). This is not a hike for beginners; trail is steep and rocky in places. Early out possible. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, traction devices. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Old Mountain Road.

MONDAY, MARCH 24 — South Mountain Reservation, West Orange, NJ

Leader: Donna Burkat, cell 973-454-5635, busybees813@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a 3-mile hike with an initial small hill to the bridge to Hemlock Falls and then continuing on basically flat trails. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #8, Tulip Springs.

TUESDAY, MARCH 25 — Johnstown Road, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Moderate 5.5-mile circular hike, 1,000 feet elevation gain, Blue Disk to Kakiat Trail, Smith Rock, Pound Mountain, Dater Mountain, back on Kakiat and White Bar trail. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860 on day of event only, biggs_gail@yahoo.com
Start: 10:00 AM. Hike 4-5 miles from the Visitor Center to Mt. Kemble Overlook. Possible route along streams. Moderate pace. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor Center.

ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 27 — Cooper Mill, Chester, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. The hike will be about 7 miles with ups, downs and rocks. The return along the Black River is very pretty. The portable facilities are usually removed during the winter and may or may not be available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

THURSDAY, MARCH 27 — Anthony's Nose, Cortlandt, NY

Leader: Bill Correa, cell 917-656-3015, correa.bill@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM at the Castle Rock parking area in Garrison, NY. This strenuous hike at a vigorous pace is 10 miles long with 1700' elevation gain. This is a point-to-point hike. We will shuttle from Garrison to the beginning of the Camp Smith trail, south of the Bear Mtn. Bridge. There are beautiful views from the top of Anthony's Nose. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: Palisades Interstate Parkway to the end, cross the Bear Mountain Bridge, and turn left on 9D. In approx. 4 miles turn right onto a dirt road at a sign for Castle Rock on the right. The road leads into the parking area. If you cross Rt. 403 you missed it, turn back.

FRIDAY, MARCH 28 — Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park Trail, Princeton, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:30 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 5 mi, 100', less than 2 mph (not fast). We'll visit the path that Washington's army took after the battle of Princeton toward Rocky Hill, along what is now a smooth path created for the D&R Barge Canal. The area is sometimes frequented by bald eagles and great blue herons. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, water. Please note later start time.

Directions: Parking lot next to the historic Locktender's house at 39 Old Lincoln Highway, Princeton. The road is SR 27 and the site is near Kingston. GPS: 40.374004, -74.618495.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29 — Cheesequake State Park, Matawan, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 5 miles over both flat and hilly terrain. Rain, snow, or snow cover will cancel the hike. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Hooks Creek Lake.

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

MONDAY, MARCH 31 — Loantaka Brook Reservation, Morris Twp., NJ

Leader: Linda Hetcher, cell 973-769-1773, linda.hetcher@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a typical Monday hike. It's flat, along horse trails for the most part, and approximately 3 miles in length. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, South Street.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 — DEADLINE FOR ARTICLE SUBMISSION TO THE OAK LEAF

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This 7-mile hike at a moderate pace will combine parts of the Vista, Ridge, Reservoir and Marsh loops with lunch by the reservoir. Two big climbs in the beginning. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1 — Neversink River, Rock Hill, NY

Leader: Bill Medeot, cell 914-844-7038, billwp218@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Moderately challenging 9-mile hike with 1900-foot elevation gain. This hike will take about 5 hours. Splendid views of multiple falls, along with rapids of the Neversink River. There are descents and ascents along the trail and spurs. Some sections will be difficult. This is not a typical Tuesday hike. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: 754 Katrina Falls Rd, Rock Hill, NY. GPS: 41.58342,-74.62173. Parking is limited. Carpooling recommended.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 — Colonial Park, Somerset, NJ

Leader: Linda Hetcher, cell 973-769-1773, linda.hetcher@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a typical Wednesday hike. We will trek approximately 4-5 miles over flat, fine gravel terrain. The hike will be along the D&R Canal. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Parking Lot F/Perennial Gardens.

ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 3 — Schooley's Mtn. County Park, Long Valley, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 3-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 2 hours, with breaks for water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by AllTrails with a 669 ft elevation gain. The trail begins with a steep climb that may be challenging for some. We will proceed in a counter-clockwise direction that includes rock scrambling up/down steep grades. Optional: At the return to the parking lot, we can walk along the Columbia Trail to the Coffee Potter for a coffee/snack (add 2 miles to hike). No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: 135 Fairview Ave. Long Valley, NJ. GPS Coordinates: N40°47'12.22" ; W74°46'35.46".

THURSDAY, APRIL 3 — Breakneck Ridge, Cold Spring, NY

Leader: Bill Correa, cell 917-656-3015, correa.bill@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM at Breakneck Ridge parking lot. This is a strenuous 7-mile hike at a vigorous pace. We go up Breakneck Ridge, a challenging 1-mile rock scramble of over 1000 ft in elevation gain. We continue on the white to the blue and back on the yellow. If you bring poles, they should be packable in your pack during the scramble. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

Directions: Palisades Interstate Parkway to Bear Mountain Bridge. Cross the bridge, turn left on Rt. 9 to Cold Spring. After crossing Rt. 301 and traveling approx. 2 miles, park at first opportunity on the right side after you go through the tunnel.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 — Little Swartwood Lake, Newton, NJ

Leader: Charles Ferrigno, 908-687-2729, cell 201-259-1920 to be used day of event only, chasperp@verizon.net

Start: 11:00 AM at the boat launch parking lot. This is a lovely small lake with picnic tables overlooking the lake. Portable facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**. Please note later start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions Swartwood State Park #2, Little Swartwood Lake.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 — Lake Tiorati, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Jason Briggs, cell 862-228-4972, jasonbriggs99@outlook.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Lake Tiorati and Black Mountain via Owl Lake Road, 6.5 miles at a 2 mph pace over variable terrain with 1000 feet of elevation gain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6 — Voorhees State Park, Glen Gardner, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 5 miles over both flat and hilly terrain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: Meet at the parking area on the right, about a quarter mile from the park entrance.

MONDAY, APRIL 7 — Rutgers Ecological Preserve, Piscataway, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM in the parking lot. We will hike a 3-mile, mostly flat loop. Minor hill and brook crossing. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8 — Lake Skannatati, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Moderate 5-mile circular hike, 800 ft elevation gain, Long Path to Lichen to Ramapo Dunderberg Loop. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 — Washington Valley Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM at Washington Valley Park lot, NOT Chimney Rock. We will hike 5 miles along two trails at a moderate pace. The first trail will end back at the parking lot, so there is an easy out after 3 miles. Small elevation gain. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 10 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Paul Augustyniak, cell 973-219-4807, paugust586@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike Turkey Mountain via the yellow, red, pink, and white trails. 5 1/4 miles with 764 feet of elevation change at a social pace. 3 to 3 1/2 hours, including a few stops for views and water and a break for lunch at the falls. The hike starts with taking our time up the 100 steps on the yellow trail, then later climbing a 300 ft hill at the 4-mile mark. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10 — Kakiat County Park, Montebello, NY

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Moderately strenuous hike, approximately 8 miles and 1600 ft elevation gain at a brisk pace (2+ mph). This is not a hike for beginners; trail is steep and rocky in places. Start on Kakiat and SBM trails, around Pine Meadow Lake, up to Raccoon Brook Hill, and back on Kakiat. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 — D&R Canal, East Millstone, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 10:30 AM. Gently sloping boat launch, calm water, slow current, out and back. 6 miles in about 3 hours. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**. Please note later start time.

Directions: Take I-287 S from Morristown to Exit 12, L on ramp, L onto Weston Canal Road. Use L lane to turn onto Main St., then onto Millstone, and finally L onto Amwell Ave., located on the R behind First Aid/Fire Dept.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Jason Briggs, cell 862-228-4972, jasonbriggs99@outlook.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 7 miles at a 2 mph pace over 1200 feet of elevation. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, New Weis Center.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah, NJ

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be a 6- to 8-mile hike with early out options available. We will go at the leader's moderate pace. Total elevation gain up to 1200 feet. Pace will be about 30 minutes per mile on level ground and 45-50 minutes per mile while climbing. We will have two ascents in the first half of the hike. Exact route will depend upon the weather and conditions on the ground. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

MONDAY, APRIL 14 — South Mountain Reservation, West Orange, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Hike on wooded trails along the West Branch of the Rahway River, stopping at Hemlock Falls and crossing over the dam for the Orange Reservoir. Hike will be about 4 miles and 2 hours with an early out at 3 miles. Terrain is mostly flat with short mild hills. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #8, Tulip Springs.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. The hike will be a moderately paced and moderately strenuous 6 to 7 miles on the Pine Meadow, Kakiat, and Raccoon Brook trails. The pace will be 2-2.5 mph. Please make sure this is in your comfort range. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860 on day of event only, biggs_gail@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Hike 4-5 miles at a moderate pace. Possible stream crossing. Route determined by leader based on conditions. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor Center.

ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 17 — Cooper Mill, Chester, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com
Start: 10:00 AM. This trail is rated 'Moderate' in AllTrails. It is 6.3 miles with a 675 ft elevation gain. There are lots of tree roots and rocks with several steep grades. The loop travels over rolling terrain along the Lamington River and through the forest and open fields.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17 — Jones Point, Harriman State Park, NJ

Leader: Rosie Brancato, cell 203-586-8131, rosiehike@gmail.com
Start: 10:00 AM. Moderately strenuous, vigorously-paced, 8-mile circular hike with 1800 ft. elevation gain. RD to Dunderberg and Bald Mountains, to Timp. Back on Timp Torne Trail. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18 — Lake Aeroflex, Andover Township, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com
Start: 10:00 AM. We will explore the shoreline of the lake, including the water trails up at the far end. About 4 miles. Facilities available. Bring: lunch, water. A personal flotation device MUST BE WORN.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18 — Norvin Green State Forest, Wanaque, NJ

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. The hike will be about 6 miles with 1200 feet of elevation gain. We have a long initial climb on the Highlands trail, ending up at Wyanokie High Point for lunch. We will come down on the blue trail to the yellow (Mine trail) and then explore in the Roomy mine area with some more climbing. We will average 30 minute miles on flat terrain and 50 minute miles when climbing. Steady rain will cancel the hike. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray, sunscreen. Please note early start time.

Directions: Start off following the TSR directions to the New Weis Ecology Center at Norvin Green. The directions will take you to West Brook Road. Follow West Brook Road. The trailhead will be on West Brook Rd, about 0.4 mi west of Stonetown Rd. and a little east of Townsend Rd. If no spots, make a left onto Townsend Road and park on Townsend Road. Trailhead coordinates 41.0716,-74.3088.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19 — Norvin Green State Forest, Bloomingdale, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 9:00 AM. 6 miles over hilly, rocky terrain with lots of ups and downs. Not for beginners. Some great views. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Otter Hole.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 — Pyramid Mountain, Kinnelon, NJ

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be a 5- to 6-mile hike with about 800 feet elevation gain. We will average 30 minute miles on flat terrain and 45 minute miles when climbing. We will have one climb with some scrambling. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Kinnelon Baseball Diamond.

MONDAY, APRIL 21 — Loantaka Brook Reservation, Morris Twp., NJ

Leader: Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860 on day of event only, bigsgsail@yahoo.com
Start: 10:00 AM. 3-mile hike on paved and unpaved level surface. Portable facilities available. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Kitchell Road.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22 — Johnsonstown Road, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Jodi Ordoover, cell 201-264-4206, jodi.ordover@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Moderately strenuous 7-mile hike over rocky and hilly terrain, with 1,100 feet elevation gain and some long, steep ascents. We will maintain a moderate and steady pace of about 2 miles per hour. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23 — Cooper Mill, Chester, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM at the parking lot for Cooper Gristmill for a 5-mile hike along the Black River. Elevation gain is approximately 500'. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 24 — Allamuchy Mountain State Park, Stanhope, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a 5-5.5-mile hike on the Sussex Branch, Byram Trail, Highland Trail, Ranger Trail and White Trail loop (leaders' choice). Most of the trail is single file with some up and down short hills with rocks and roots. Elevation gain about 300 feet. Pace will be moderate/social. We will lunch on the trail. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, North Allamuchy.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24 — Ramapo Mountain State Forest, Oakland, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be an 8- to 9-mile hike with an elevation gain of ~1300 ft. Pace will be 2-2.5 mph. We will start on the blue trail, follow the white, to the castle ruins, red, then back to the blue, to the parking lot. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions to Lower Lot.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25 — Jefferson Lake, Byram Township, NJ

Leader: Linda Lang, cell 973-960-7421, allinkcorp@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. At 46 acres, it's a classic small lake. A possible 2-hour trip around the lake. You may see bird life, fish and turtles. It's a sweet lake that can be enjoyed by both novice and experienced paddler alike. No facilities available. Bring: snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device MUST BE WORN.

Directions: From Morristown area take I-287 N to Rt. 80 W to Exit 25 for 206 N. At 1.7 miles turn left onto Waterloo Road. At 0.8 miles turn right onto Jefferson Road and follow it to lake.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25 — Worthington State Forest, Columbia, NJ

Leader: Tim Burman, cell 732-682-8684 to be used day of event only, timburman@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 5 miles, 1300 ft. elevation. Starts with steep climb to a ridge, goes around Sunfish Pond, and down via a more gradual trail. We'll pick a scenic spot at Sunfish Pond for lunch. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring lunch.

Directions: 134 Old Mine Road, Columbia, NJ. Take 80 West to Exit 1 toward Millbrook/Flatbrookville. Merge onto River Road which turns into Old Mine Road. Take a left turn into the Douglas trail parking lot after approximately 4 miles. GPS: 41.01299, -75.08243.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26 — Colonial Park, Somerset, NJ

Leader: Linda Hetcher, cell 973-769-1773, linda.hetcher@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a typical Wednesday hike. We will trek approximately 4-5 miles over flat, fine gravel terrain. The hike will be along the D&R canal. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Parking Lot F/Perennial Gardens.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 — South Mountain Reservation, Millburn, NJ

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 8:30 AM. Moderately strenuous 9-mile loop at brisk pace (2+ mph) with 1400 ft elevation gain, possible water crossings and some steep ascents/descents. This hike is not for beginners. Early out possible. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, Locust Grove.

MONDAY, APRIL 28 — Mills Reservation, Cedar Grove, NJ

Leader: Fred Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-204-0253, starben62@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Hike is 3.5 miles with some rocky terrain and minor uphill. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: Mills Reservation, 31 Normal Ave., Cedar Grove. West of Montclair State University on Normal Ave., between Reservoir Road and Montclair State University, opposite Granite Road.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a 5- to 6-mile hike at a 2-2.5 mph pace with two significant uphill sections and an elevation gain of about 1000 ft. We will take the blue to the orange then back to the blue to the parking lot. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30 — Patriots' Path, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. The first reach of the hike is on a paved path along Washington Valley and is a relatively long climb. The next reaches are single file earthen or grassy trails with mild hills, and the last reach is through the swamp where we will see wild yellow iris (maybe). Total mileage is about 5 miles and elevation gain is about 300 feet. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: Hike starts at the gravel parking lot on Sussex Avenue (CR 617). The house address before the parking lot and after coming out of Morristown is 385 Sussex Ave.

THURSDAY, MAY 1 — DEADLINE FOR HIKES

Deadline for Hike Leaders to Submit Their Write-Ups for July-December Schedule

ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 1 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 5- to 6-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 3 hours including two or three stops for views, water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by Alltrails with a 873 ft elevation gain. There are several uphill climbs that can be challenging for those unprepared, so this may be difficult for a novice. We'll go clockwise up the trail, ascending on the orange trail and then back to the Visitor's Center using the yellow, green dot and orange trails. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor's Center.

THURSDAY, MAY 1 — Storm King Mountain, Cornwall On Hudson, NY

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Strenuous hike approximately 7 miles long and 2200' elevation gain at a brisk pace (2+ mph). This is not a hike for beginners; trail is steep and rocky with rock scrambles. Route has some excellent views. One long climb of 1000' in the middle. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

FRIDAY, MAY 2 — Cranberry Lake, Byram, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will paddle the shoreline of the lake, including the waterways bordering Allamuchy Mountain State Park. About 4 miles. We will stop at a beach to eat lunch. The launch is rough block, so sturdy water shoes are recommended. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, water. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

SATURDAY, MAY 3 — Abram Hewitt State Forest, Hewitt, NJ

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:00 AM. The hike will be approximately seven miles with 1500 feet of elevation gain. We start off with a long steady uphill. We will average 50 minutes per mile when climbing. Our pace will be 30 minute miles on flat terrain. This is not an easy hike, but the views are worth the effort. Wet conditions will cancel this hike. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray, sunscreen. Please note early start time.

Directions: Use these coordinates in your GPS: 41.157511, -74.36748. Google Maps calls it "Quail trailhead." The trail head is on Warwick Turnpike west of Tractor Supply store. Continue west on Warwick Turnpike and go past the Highlands Preserve Parking Lot, which will be on your right. Continue west, past the Jeremy Glick trailhead. The trailhead is a small pull out on the right hand side traveling west. In the parking turnout, you'll see a hikers' sign which marks the black-square on-blue-blazed Terrace Pond North Spur. If there isn't room, parking should be available in two other small pullouts. If you aren't sure of the directions, contact the leader before the day of the hike.

SUNDAY, MAY 4

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MONDAY, MAY 5 — Morris County Outdoor Education Center, Chatham, NJ

Leader: Ken Donhauser, cell 732-616-7409 to be used day of event only, kendonhauser@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be an easy, flat 3-mile hike on crushed stone paths. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR directions for Great Swamp Nat'l Wildlife Refuge, #1.

TUESDAY, MAY 6 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike 6-7 miles at a 2-2.5 mph pace, and 1,500 ft. elevation gain. We will go to Wyankie High Point and Chikahoki Falls along the route. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, New Weis Center.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 8 — Silas Condict Park, Kinnelon, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a deceptively strenuous hike with MANY rock scrambles. Not recommended for those who prefer gentle hiking. We will do a 4-mile hike using the white and red trails. This will be at a moderate pace (2 mph), approx. 2 hours. The trail is rated moderate by AllTrails, with 530 ft elevation gain. There are some uphill climbs and rock scrambles that some have found difficult. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

THURSDAY, MAY 8 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. We will hike 8-9 miles at a 2-2.5 mph pace, with 1500 ft. of elevation gain and several scrambles included. We will take the Seven Hills trail to the orange, to the Raccoon Brook trail, then Kakiat and Pine Meadow to the parking lot. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, MAY 9 — Essex County Environmental Center, Roseland, NJ

Leader: Helen Lippman, cell 973-747-2770, helenlipp01@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Paddle on the Passaic River in both directions. Lunch break at put in. Paddle for 3-4 hrs but opportunity for early out. Portable facilities available. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

FRIDAY, MAY 9 — Sourland Mountain Preserve, Hillsborough, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 11:00 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 7 miles, 1000' elevation, and 2 mph (not fast). Possible view of NYC. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note later start time.

SATURDAY, MAY 10 — Liberty State Park, Jersey City, NJ

Leader: Ed Leibowitz, 908-623-3883, cell 201-850-9649 to be used day of event only, eleibow@verizon.net

Start: 10:30 AM. This is an easy 5- to 6-mile walk through Liberty State Park and downtown Jersey City. Our lunch break will be at either the Exchange Place or Pavonia PATH stations. Walk should end between 1:30-2:00 PM. Facilities available. Bring: lunch, water. Please note later start time.

SUNDAY, MAY 11 — Apshawa Preserve, West Milford, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 5 miles over mostly hilly, rocky terrain. There are a couple of steep sections. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water.

MONDAY, MAY 12 — Lewis Morris Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike the Patriots' Path along the Whippany River and then into a short reach of the Dismal Harmony Natural Area before returning for a total of about 3 miles through woods and flat terrain. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Sunrise Lake.

TUESDAY, MAY 13 — White Lake Natural Resource Center, Blairstown, NJ

Leader: Linda Lang, cell 973-960-7421, allinkcorp@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM at White Lake Natural Resource Boat Launch. This is a free paddle. Boats, paddles and PFDs supplied. This is a small lake perfect for anyone new to paddling. There is also a chance of an eagle sighting along with fish and turtles. Picnic tables overlooking the lake. Portable facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

TUESDAY, MAY 13 — Cooper Mill, Chester, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM at the parking lot for Cooper Gristmill for a 5-mile hike along the Black River. Elevation gain is approximately 500'. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

TUESDAY, MAY 13 — Lake Skannatati, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Bill Medeot, cell 914-844-7038, billwp218@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Moderate to strenuous 9-mile hike with 1700-foot elevation gain. This hike will take about 5-6 hours. From Lake Skannatati we'll head to Times Square, then climb up the RD to the Lichen, crossing multiple rock plateaus. The trail will lead us to another climb up Hogencamp Mountain; then we'll continue to Pine Swamp, taking a detour to explore Pine Swamp Mines. From here the (R) Arden-Surebridge to the parking lot. This is not a typical Tuesday hike. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 — Columbia Trail, High Bridge, NJ

Leader: Linda Hetcher, cell 973-769-1773, linda.hetcher@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a typical Wednesday hike over flat terrain. The trail is very wide with gravel surface. We will cover approximately 4.5-5 miles out and back. Attendees can decide to shorten the hike by leaving early. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 15 — Schooley's Mountain, Long Valley, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Schooley's Mountain - Highland Cut Trail (Red) and Patriots' Path Trail Loop
We will do a 3-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 2 hours, with breaks for water, snack, etc. The trail is rated 'Moderate' by AllTrails with a 669 ft elevation gain. The trail begins with a steep climb that may be challenging for some. We will proceed in a counter-clockwise direction that includes rock scrambling up/down steep grades. Portable facilities NOT available in parking lot. Optional: At the return to the parking lot, we can walk along the Columbia Trail to the Coffee Potter for a coffee/snack (add 2 miles to hike). Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: 135 Fairview Ave. Long Valley, NJ. GPS Coordinates: N40°47'12.22"; W74°46'35.46".

THURSDAY, MAY 15 — Norvin Green State Forest, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. We will hike 7-8 miles at a 2-2.5 mph pace, with 1,500 ft. elevation gain. We will take the green to the yellow for a scramble, then up to a lookout on the pink trail, then down the red, and back on the green. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, New Weis Center.

FRIDAY, MAY 16 — Split Rock Reservoir, Boonton, NJ

Leader: Patrica Chorman, cell 973-902-3915, parreecha1@hotmail.com

Start: 11:00 AM. This is a relatively easy paddle, approximately 4-6 miles at the discretion of the leader and weather. Bring wheels if you have them. Portable facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device MUST BE WORN. Please note later start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #6, Fisherman's Parking area at Splitrock reservoir.

FRIDAY, MAY 16 — Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

Leader: Julie Stanton, cell 917-972-0212 to be used day of event only, julienyc@msn.com

Start: 9:30 AM. A 6-mile hike with 1600' elevation gain. We will hike up to Mount Tammany at a moderate but steady pace via the red dot trail, gaining 1200' elevation in about 1.3 miles, and then stop for a look at the view. We will then hike at a brisk pace on the blue trail to the green Dunnfield Creek trail, cross the creek, turn onto the Holly Springs trail, and take the AT back to the parking lot. There is an early out to shorten the hike to about 3.5 miles. This is not a hike for beginners and the overall pace will be 2+ mph. The red dot trail is a very challenging and consistently rocky trail with steep inclines, and the blue trail is a very rocky, mostly downhill trail. Hikers must have proper hiking footwear. Collapsible poles are highly recommended for use on all trails but the red dot trail. Portable

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facilities available. Boots are also recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Dunnfield Creek/A. T. Parking Lot.

SATURDAY, MAY 17

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

SUNDAY, MAY 18 — Kittatinny Valley State Park, Newton, NJ

Leader: Sue Bennett, cell 732-735-8895, jerseyhyker@yjahoo.com

Start: 9:00 AM. This is a mostly flat, 7- to 8-mile hike on rail trails and woods trails on the Andover Loop Trail. It circumnavigates Kittatinny Valley State Park and Lake Aeroflex (deepest Lake in NJ), incorporating pieces of the Sussex Branch Trail, Hillside Park/Goodale Trail, Lehigh and Hudson River RR right of way, and trails in Kittatinny Valley State park. Bring lunch or snack and water. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor Center.

MONDAY, MAY 19 — Washington Valley Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM at Washington Valley Park parking lot, NOT Chimney Rock lot. Easy 3-mile hike on the wooded and crushed stone white trail. Very little elevation. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

TUESDAY, MAY 20 — Lake Skannatati, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Jodi Ordovery, cell 201-264-4206, jodi.ordover@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Moderate 6-mile hike over rocky and hilly terrain, with about 800 feet elevation gain (mostly in the first two miles). We will maintain a moderate pace of about 2 miles per hour. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21 — Allamuchy Mountain State Park, Stanhope, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Hike starts on the Sussex Branch, then Byram and Highland trails, and finally return on the Sussex Branch. There are short hills and mild rocky trails. The hike will be about 4.5 miles long with an elevation gain of 350 feet. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, North Allamuchy.

ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 22 — Jonathan Woods, Denville, NJ

Leader: Paul Augustyniak, cell 973-219-4807, pAugust586@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike 5 miles on a variety of trails with some ups and down at a social pace. Roughly 500 ft elevation change. Stop at Hogs Pen for lunch. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

THURSDAY, MAY 22 — Hartshorne Woods, Atlantic Highlands, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be an 8- to 9-mile hike at a 2.5 mph pace with almost 1,000 ft. of elevation gain on the Rocky Point, Grand Tour, and Laurel Ridge trails. We will also pass by an historic gun battery, the Navesink River, and have views of the Atlantic Ocean. We should see lots of mountain laurel in bloom. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Rocky Point.

FRIDAY, MAY 23 — Anthony Wayne Recreation Area, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This is a strenuous 8+ mile lollipop hike. We take the Fawn, AT, 1777 and SBM trails to Bear Mtn. We then climb up the Major Welch trail (with rock scrambles) to lunch at Perkins Tower. We continue down the AT back to the “stick” to the parking lot. Optional 1.5 mile detour on West Mt. if feeling ambitious. Note: cell service is very poor/nonexistent at the trailhead. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, MAY 23 — Lake Iliff, Andover, NJ

Leader: Christine Dunbar, cell 201-697-7815, chrisdunbar458@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is an easy 1- to 2-mile paddle. Folks are invited to gather for lunch at Sheridan's Restaurant and Tavern at about noon. Unload boat and access the water at the corner of the Sheridan's parking lot and Lake Iliff Rd. No facilities available. Bring: snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device MUST BE WORN.

SATURDAY, MAY 24 — Abram S. Hewitt State Forest, Hewitt, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Seven miles primarily on the Bearfort Ridge. This is a moderate hike with one long, steep climb. Some great views. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Highlands Preserve Passaic County Park.

SUNDAY, MAY 25 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Bill LaChance, cell 973-216-8748, bill@wjladvisors.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will do a 5+ mile hike at a moderate pace. 500 ft elevation gain. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor Center.

MONDAY, MAY 26 — Somerset County Education Center, Basking Ridge, NJ

Leader: Al MacLennan, cell 973-449-4696, MacLennan_Al@comcast.net

Start: 10:00 AM at 190 Lord Stirling Road. This is an easy, level, 3-mile hike through The Great Swamp. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray

TUESDAY, MAY 27 — Hartshorne Woods, Atlantic Highlands, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a 6- to 7-mile hike at a 2-2.5 mph pace with almost 1,000 ft. of elevation gain on the Rocky Point and Grand Tour trails. We will also pass by an historic gun battery, the Navesink River, and have views of the Atlantic Ocean. There should be lot of mountain laurel in bloom too. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Rocky Point.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

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ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 29

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THURSDAY, MAY 29 — Tuxedo Circular, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Anastasia Tavarez, cell 646-207-4136, atavare@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. This is a strenuous, vigorously-paced, 10-mile Deep Hollow to Lake Skenonto loop hike with 1900 feet of elevation gain. Parking charge of \$3.00. Please download the ParkMobile app before coming on this hike as you will need to create an account to pay. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, MAY 30 — Monksville Reservoir, Hewitt, NJ

Leader: Diane Willer, cell 973-713-3066, dwiller34@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will paddle 6-7 miles, depending on the weather conditions, from the Beech Rd. launch. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, water. A personal flotation device MUST BE WORN.

SATURDAY, MAY 31

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SUNDAY, JUNE 1 — Abram S. Hewitt State Forest, Hewitt, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 9:00 AM. 5-mile point-to-point hike from P-7 to Warwick Turnpike. Shuttle required. The climb to Terrace Pond is strenuous; the rest of the hike is moderate. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Highlands Preserve Passaic County Park.

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — Loantaka Brook Reservation, Morris Twp., NJ

Leader: Linda Hetcher, cell 973-769-1773, linda.hetcher@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This is a typical Monday hike. The terrain is flat, mostly along horse trails, for approximately 3 miles. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, South Street.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — South Mountain Reservation, Millburn, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. 6-7 miles at a 2-2.5 mph pace on the Lenape trail to Hemlock Falls. Return on the Rahway trail. The hike starts with a long steep uphill, and is mostly flat for the rest of it. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #4, Locust Grove.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 — South Mountain Reservation, West Orange, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Hike will be about a 4.5-mile loop at a moderate pace along the West Branch of the Rahway River, approaching Campbell Pond and possibly a side trip to Hemlock Falls. Elevation gain less than 300 feet. We will probably take the carriage trail on the way out and the white rail back, which will be rocky with protruding roots.. Bring a lunch which we can have at the picnic tables by the stream when we return to the parking lot. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #8, Tulip Springs.

ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Cooper Mill, Chester, NJ

Leader: Bernadette Miglin, cell 973-407-0049 to be used day of event only, bmiglin@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Black River Trail Loop

This trail is rated 'Moderate' in AllTrails. It is 6.3 miles with a 675ft elevation gain. There are lots of tree roots and rocks with several steep grades. The loop travels over rolling terrain along the Lamington River and through the forest and open fields. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5 — Sam's Point, Minnewaska State Park, Cragsmoor, NY

Leader: Bill Medeot, cell 914-844-7038, billwp218@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. A 10-mile difficult hike with about 1500 feet elevation gain. This hike will take about 6 hours. The loop will encompass Sam's Point, Ice Caves, Verdeerder Kill Falls, and High Point. Parking fee \$10.00. NY State seniors free. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: Sam's Point Parking, 400 Sams Point Road, Cragsmoor, NY. GPS: 41.67006, -74.36166. Parking is limited; arrive no later than 8:45 AM.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Farrington Lake Boat Launch, East Brunswick, NJ

Leader: Terri Petner, cell 732-221-5474, tbrillig@optonline.net

Start: 10:00 AM. Easy 6-mile, 3.5-hr paddle on scenic lake with lots of wildlife. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6 — Worthington State Forest, Columbia, NJ

Leader: Julie Stanton, cell 917-972-0212 to be used day of event only, julienyc@msn.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Hike 7.5 to 8 miles with over 1600 ft. of gain on the Douglas, AT and Garvey Springs trails. This hike starts with a steady but gradual climb up to Sunfish Pond and then to several viewpoints along the AT. We will have a 10-15 minute snack/lunch break at a beautiful overlook, then head back on the AT, with a steady downhill on the Garvey Springs trail. There is an early out about 3.5 miles into the hike. This trail is very rocky and is not a beginner hike due to pace, elevation, length and terrain. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: 134 Old Mine Road, Columbia, NJ. Take I-80 West to Exit 1 toward Millbrook/Flatbrookville. Merge onto River Road which turns into Old Mine Road. Take a left turn into the Douglas trail parking lot after approximately 4 miles. GPS: 41.01299, -75.08243.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

No event is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to post an event are encouraged to do so at least two days prior to this date. Send the listing to TSRregistration@outlook.com.

SUNDAY, JUNE 8 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Bill LaChance, cell 973-216-8748, bill@wjladvisors.com

Start: 10:00 AM at Pyramid Mountain Visitors Center. We will do a 5-mile hike at a moderate pace, approx. 2 1/2 hours. Elevation gain 800 ft. There are some uphill climbs so this may be a challenging hike for a beginner. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring snack.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitors Center.

MONDAY, JUNE 9 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 9:30 AM. The hike will start at the Trail Center (not the Visitor Center). We will hike the Mt. Kimble outer loop. There is a long mild uphill to a viewpoint. The hike will be about 3 miles and 1.5 hours. Elevation gain about 280 feet. Cell phone reception at the Trail Center is poor. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Trail Center.

TUESDAY, JUNE 10 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltp1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will hike on the Turkey Mountain side, 5 to 6 miles at a 2-2.5 mph pace, on the yellow, white, yellow, orange, and yellow trails, passing a beaver dam, hopefully some cascades, and the Lake Valhalla overlook. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitors Center.

 **TUESDAY, JUNE 10 — Echo Lake Park, Mountainside, NJ**

Leader: Ed Leibowitz, 908-623-3883, cell 201-850-9649 to be used day of event only, eleibow@verizon.net

Start: 10:30 AM. This will be a 12– to 13-mile bike ride on bike/walk paths through Echo Lake Park, Lenape Park, Nomahegan Park and Black Rock Park, and alongside Galloping Hill Golf Course. Bring: lunch, water. A helmet **MUST BE WORN**. Please note later start time.

Directions: Echo Lake Park can be entered from Rt. 22 East in Mountainside or from Springfield Ave. in Cranford. There are two parking lots in Echo Lake Park. We will meet at the parking lot closest to Springfield Ave. If you enter from Springfield Ave. it is the first parking lot, and if you enter from Rt. 22 East it is the second parking lot. GPS 40.678372, -74.335386.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11 — Colonial Park, Somerset, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. We will walk along the D&R Canal for 5 to 6 miles at a moderate pace. This is a flat walk. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #3, Parking Lot F/Perennial Gardens.

ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 12 — Kittatinny Valley State Park, Newton, NJ

Leader: Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, cell 201-602-4074, kaltnecs1@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. From the Visitors Center we will hike about 5.5-6.0 miles on various trails and along Lake Aeroflex where we will have a light lunch. Hike will be at a social pace with some mild hills and reaches of rocky trails with roots. Elevation gain less than 300 feet. Most of the trails are single file until we reach the Sussex Branch towards the end of the hike. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitors Center.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12 — Undercliff, Cold Spring, NY

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Strenuous 7.4-mile hike at a brisk pace (2+ mph), two climbs with total 2000' elevation gain and beautiful views, ending with a relatively flat 2-mile walk out. This is not a hike for beginners; trail is steep and rocky with rock scrambles. Early out possible. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions, Cold Spring, NY.

 **FRIDAY, JUNE 13 — Pompton River, Lincoln Park, NJ**

Leader: Helen Lippman, cell 973-747-2770, helenlipp01@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. About a 6-mile paddle with a lunch break and turn-around halfway through. Lots of wildlife. River is mostly easy to navigate. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13 — Big Hill and Jackie Jones Mountain, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Jodi Ordovery, cell 201-264-4206, jodi.ordover@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Moderately strenuous 7-mile hike over rocky and hilly terrain, with 1,100 feet elevation gain. No facilities. This will be at a moderate and steady pace of about 2 mph. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14 — Washington Valley Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Linda Hetcher, cell 973-769-1773, linda.hetcher@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This hike will be about 5 miles in length along the white and red trail. Slight elevation through the woods. Attendees can opt to leave after completing the white trail. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15 — Chimney Rock Park, Martinsville, NJ

Leader: Philip Ross, cell 732-221-9668, skyking72@gmail.com

Start: 8:30 AM. Moderately strenuous 8-mile loop at brisk pace (2+ mph) with 1000 ft elevation gain, possible water crossings and some steep ascents/descents. This hike is not for beginners. Visit Buttermilk Falls and Hawk Watch. Early out possible with 5 miles total. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

MONDAY, JUNE 16 — Central Park of Morris County, Greystone Park, NJ

Leader: Tony Fanelli, cell 9732342632, fanellit@verizon.net

Start: 10:00 AM. 3 miles on mostly flat, hardpack, paved and grass terrain. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: water, bug spray.

Directions: From old Dover Rd. by Greystone hospital turn onto Cottage Lane (opposite Greystone Woods Disc Golf course), then left onto Central Ave. Parking lot is on the right past playground and skating rinks.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville, NJ

Leader: Louis Thompson, cell 732-239-1012, ltpt1@yahoo.com

Start: 10:00 AM. This will be a 5- to 6-mile hike at a 2-2.5 mph pace with two significant uphill sections and an elevation gain of ~ 1,000 ft. We will take the blue to the orange trail, then back to the blue trail to the parking lot. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitors Center.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

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ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 19 — Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Jefferson, NJ

Leader: Paul Augustyniak, cell 973-219-4807, pAugust586@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Mountain Laurel in bloom! The hike features acres of beautiful white mountain laurel throughout 6 miles of ups and downs at a social pace. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Saffin Pond Parking Area. N41° 0.47', W74° 35.17'.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19 — Stonetown Circular, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Jason Briggs, cell 862-228-4972, jasonbriggs99@outlook.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This is a very strenuous, fast-paced, 12-mile hike that offers beautiful views and will have over 3000 feet of elevation gain. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20 — Paulinskill Lake, Newton, NJ

Leader: Jean Fletcher, 973-285-5263, cell 973-452-1567 to be used day of event only, jrfletc@optonline.net

Start: 10:00 AM. We will paddle in the waters upstream of the Paulinskill Lake cottage community, either going upstream until it becomes too shallow, or downstream in the lake above the cottage colony. Wear good water-walking shoes. Plan to be on the water about three hours. No facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, bug spray, a short rope to tie front of boat. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

Directions: Park along the road on the berm.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown, NJ

Leader: Jay Dibble, 908-289-8813, cell 908-209-2936 to be used day of event only, no texts please, jaydib41090@peoplepc.com

Start: 9:00 AM. 6 miles over mostly hilly terrain with a couple of steep sections. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Visitor Center.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22 — South Mountain Reservation, West Orange, NJ

Leader: Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-932-9466 to be used day of event only, no texts please, shereestarrett@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This will be a 6-mile hike with less than 700 feet of elevation gain. We will average 30 minute miles when walking on level terrain and 45 minute miles when climbing. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray, sunscreen. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #9, Turtle Back Rock.

MONDAY, JUNE 23 — South Mountain Reservation, West Orange, NJ

Leader: Fred Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell 973-204-0253, starben62@yahoo.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Mostly flat terrain on carriage roads. Portable facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: water, bug spray, sunblock. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #8, Tulip Springs.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside, NJ

Leader: Gordon Thomas, cell 609-977-0267, TSRpresident3@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. Approximate distance, elevation, and pace: 7 mi, 800', and 2 mph. Near Surprise Lake and Blue Brook. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #1, Trailside Nature Center.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

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ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 26

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THURSDAY, JUNE 26 — Reeves Meadow, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Anastasia Tavarez, cell 646-207-4136, atavare@gmail.com

Start: 9:00 AM. This is a strenuous 8-mile loop hike at a vigorous pace to Pine Meadow Lake via the Russian Bear. Over 1500 feet elevation gain. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27 — Shepherd Lake, Ringwood, NJ

Leader: Linda Lang, cell 973-960-7421, allinkcorp@aol.com

Start: 10:00 AM. Shepherd Lake is a 74 acre scenic lake and park that offers swimming, boat rentals and a playground with picnic tables. There is a \$5.00 entrance fee but we can park across the street and carpool. Rentals are 2 hours at \$40.00 for single and \$55.00 for tandem. Facilities available. Bring: lunch, snack, water, bug spray. A personal flotation device **MUST BE WORN**.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27 — Abram S. Hewitt State Forest, Hewitt, NJ

Leader: Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, diannejones428@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. This is a 7- to 8-mile strenuous lollipop hike on the Jeremy Glick Trail up and down as the “stick,” and the Ernest Walter, AT, and State Line trails as the “pop”. Lunch will offer a gorgeous view over Greenwood Lake. Maybe we’ll catch the rhododendron in bloom. A short road walk to the trailhead is required. No facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

Directions: See TSR Directions #2, Highlands Preserve Passaic County Park.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

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SUNDAY, JUNE 29 — Silvermine, Harriman State Park, NY

Leader: Jodi Ordovery, cell 201-264-4206, jodi.ordover@gmail.com

Start: 9:30 AM. Moderately strenuous 7-mile hike over rocky and hilly terrain, with 1,100 feet elevation gain and two long steep ascents. We will maintain a moderate and steady pace of about 2 mph. There is NO cell service at parking lot. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: lunch, water, bug spray. Please note early start time.

MONDAY, JUNE 30 — Johnson Park, Piscataway, NJ

Leader: Debby Bronner, cell 201-563-1648, debbybronner@gmail.com

Start: 10:00 AM inside the park at Grove #5. We will walk approximately 3 miles along the D&R Canal. This is a flat walk. Facilities available. Boots/poles recommended. Bring: snack, water, bug spray.

Directions: From I-287 Exit 9 (River Rd. toward Highland Park): Take River Road (R-622) approximately 4.0 mi towards Highland Park. Make a right when you reach the light at Landing Lane. From Landing Lane make the first right onto Johnson Park Rd. Make the first left into the parking lot for Grove #5. [Close to bathroom.] GPS meeting place: 40.5102999, -74.4658346.

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