

Hike Schedule

August 2017



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IMPORTANT NOTICE: All hikes will start at the time and location specified in each individual hike description. In order to facilitate carpooling, these locations will be within 15 miles of Utica. Leaders and co-leaders will have phone numbers listed so that they may answer any questions participants may have about possible last-minute hike changes. Please try to arrive at the starting location 15 minutes before the start time so that you can be signed in and receive instructions. **Reminder: If you plan to meet at the trailhead, call the leader to verify scheduled activity for late modifications.**

HD - Hiking Distance (Total both ways) **DD** - Driving Distance (One way from meeting place)
B - Bike **H** - Hike **S** - Ski **SS** - Snowshoe
C/K - Canoe/Kayak **TM** - Trail Maintenance

SCHEDULE SUMMARY

AUGUST 2017	
4-6	27th High Peaks Weekend - H
5	Rogers Environmental Center - H
6	Deansboro Trail - H
12	Wolfe Island Ramble - B/H
12	Middle Settlement Lake - H
13	1000 Island Paddle - C/K
19	Whitesboro Walkabout - H
20	Baldface Mountain - C/K/H
26	Rollins Pond - B
26	Moose River Cliffs - H
27	Rollins Pond - Raquette Falls Trail - H
27	Cazenovia Trails - H

*Forest Ranger/DEC
Emergency: 518-891-0235
Trail Conditions: 518-408-5850*

It's BUG season! Make sure you come prepared to ward off black flies, deer flies, and ticks. Wear proper clothing, netted hats etc. and bring insect repellent!



AUGUST 2017

HIGH PEAKS WEEKEND

H

Fri. Aug. 4 - Sun. Aug. 6 **Hike# 6660**
HD: Optional **DD: 150 mi.**

Difficulty: Optional

Roger Felske - 508-612-1266

Lu Blanchard - 315-768-3566

Dick Blanchard - 315-272-3618

Meet at: NO LOCAL STARTER!

Hikers have the option of bringing a tent, sleeping in a tent cabin, or making your own arrangements at ADK Heart Lake Lodge, 518-523-3441. The campsites are #37, 36 and 35, along with tent cabins 6 and 5. A variety of hikes will be offered again this year. Bring a lounge chair and a dish to pass for group dinners on Friday and Saturday nights. Meat for grilling will be provided. A pancake and egg breakfast will be offered Sunday morning.

ROGERS ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

H

Sat. Aug 5 **11:30 AM** **Hike# 6661**
HD: Optional **DD: 22 mi.**

Difficulty: Easy

Mike Huss - 315-768-7374

Janice Huss - 315-768-7374

Meet at: Nice'n Easy, Rtes. 12 & 20 Sangerfield
 Bring your lunch and a dish to pass and we will eat under one of the many shade trees. After lunch we will walk the many marked trails traversing a variety of picturesque habitats.

DEANSBORO TRAIL

H

Sun. Aug 6 **1:30 PM** **Hike# 6662**
HD: 5 mi. **DD: 0 mi.**

Difficulty: Easy

Mike Huss - 315-768-7374

Janice Huss - 315-768-7374

Meet at: Old Railroad Depot on Rt. 315
 Hike the old railroad bed in Deansboro.

WOLFE ISLAND RAMBLE

B/H

Sat. Aug 12 **8:00 AM** **Hike# 6663**
HD: B-20 mi./H-3 mi. **DD: 90 mi.**

Difficulty: Moderate

Jerry Stewart - 315-264-8280

Bobbie Scarpino - 315-269-4099

Meet at: McDonald's, Erie Blvd., Rome. Regroup at ferry landing, Cape Vincent
 Explore the less-traveled roads on Wolfe Island in Canada. We'll make a stop in Marysville for beverages/food at the Wolfe Island Grill, sweets at

the bakery, and/or a treat at the ice cream shop. At Big Sandy Bay we can leave our bikes to hike a trail to a scenic view of the St. Lawrence River before returning to the ferry back to the U.S. Since most of the roads on the island are gravel, hybrid bikes are recommended. **Passports or enhanced driver's license are a must!** \$3.00 fee for the ferry each way. You might wish to make a reservation at a motel/campground in the Clayton area for the next day's adventure.

MIDDLE SETTLEMENT LAKE

H

Sat. Aug 12 **9:30 AM** **Hike# 6664**
HD: 6.5 mi **DD: 40 mi**

Difficulty: Moderate

Sharon Kaelin - 315-732-2407

Tom Smith - 315-736-7524

Meet at: Keybank, Mapledale
 Hike to the Middle Settlement Lake lean-to.

1000 ISLAND PADDLE

C/K

Sun. Aug 13 **10:00 AM** **Hike# 6665**
HD: 8 mi. **DD: 90 mi. (to Clayton)**

Difficulty: Moderate

Jerry Stewart - 315-264-8280

Bobbie Scarpino - 315-268-4099

Meet at: NO LOCAL STARTER! Meet at Clayton Boat Launch, 800 Mary St., Clayton
 Put in at the boat launch (no charge) and paddle with the current among the islands on the St. Lawrence River. Stop at Rock Island Lighthouse to explore (accessible only by water). \$3.00 fee to climb to the top of the lighthouse and visit the museum. We'll pull out at the leader's place at Fisher's Landing and shuttle people back to their cars at the boat launch.

WHITESBORO WALKABOUT

H

Sat. Aug 19 **10:00 AM** **Hike# 6666**
HD: 5 mi **DD: 0 mi.**

Difficulty: Easy

Lu Blanchard - 315-768-3566

Joan Egan - 315-829-3594

Meet at: Whitestown Town Park at 5715 Gibson Road, Whitesboro
 We will walk the paved trails around Westmoreland Road and Gibson Road. After, we can find a "cold one" somewhere.

BALDFACE MOUNTAIN

C/K/H

Sun. Aug 20 **9:00 AM** **Hike# 6667**
HD: C/K-2mi / H-2.2mi **DD: 73 mi.**
Difficulty: Moderate
 Deb Roberts - 315-790-3618
 Meg Higgerson - 315-841-8717
Meet at: Keybank, Mapledale
 We will paddle across Indian Lake and hike up Baldface Mtn.

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ROLLINS POND - RAQUETTE FALLS TRAIL

H

Sun. Aug 27 **10:00 AM** **Hike# 6670**
HD: 8.6 mi **DD: 110 mi.**
Difficulty: Difficult
 Lu Blanchard - 315-749-5380
 Dick Blanchard- 315-272-3618
Meet at: NO LOCAL STARTER! Meet at Keybank, Mapledale by 7:00 AM to carpool
 We will regroup at Corey's Road (7.9 miles from intersection of Rts. 3 & 30 in Tupper Lake). The trail follows the Raquette River for 4.3 mi. with minimal elevation change. We will hike to Raquette Falls and back out.

ROLLINS POND

B

Sat. Aug 26 **10:30 AM** **Hike# 6668**
HD: 30 mi **DD: 165 mi**
Difficulty: Moderate
 Don Fellows - 315-736-2564
 Madonna Fellows - 315-736-2564
Meet at: NO LOCAL STARTER! (3 hr drive from Mapledale)
 We will meet at the VIC at Paul Smith's College at 10:30 AM, about 25 miles from Rollins Pond.

CAZENOVIA TRAILS

H

Sun. Aug 27 **12:00 PM** **Hike # 6671**
HD: 6 mi **DD: 25 mi.**
Difficulty: Moderate
 Mike Huss - 315-768-7374
 Janice Huss- 315-768-7374
Meet at: Madison Central School. Regroup at McDonalds in Cazenovia
 We will then drive to Burlingame Rd. parking area to hike the trails of Cazenovia Preservation Foundation.

MOOSE RIVER CLIFFS

H

Sat. Aug 26 **10:00 AM** **Hike# 6669**
HD: 7 - 7.5 mi. **DD: 60 mi**
Difficulty: Difficult
 Doug Wasielewski - 315 -896 -2817
 Jim Wasielewski 315-736-7425
Meet at: Keybank, Mapledale
 Regroup in Inlet at info center. Drive 8 miles into Moose River Plains, hike Mitchell Ponds and bushwhack to the Moose River Cliffs.

Attention Hike Leaders

Please send your release/sign-up sheets promptly to our Hike Records Chairperson:
 Chuck Balsler, 9 Overbrook Crescent, New Hartford, NY 13413-4104.

Make sure all signatures are legible, reprinting them if necessary, and identify on the sheet the name of the leader and co-leader. Leaders should make sure every hiker signs in before beginning the hike and should not cross off anyone's name that does not complete the hike. You may note unusual occurrences in the comments section.

Return your sheet within 3-5 days.

NEW: If you are able to take a photo of the sign-in sheet, please do so and e-mail to: Mary Pat Connors, mconnors921@roadrunner.com for assistance with photo IDs.

Hike Write-Ups and Photos should be sent by e-mail.

Please note the hike title, number and date and email to:

Mary Pat Connors: mconnors921@roadrunner.com for inclusion on the website.



Long time member **Jack Schmidt** passed away on March 24, 2017. During his retirement years, Jack loved Kayuta Lake, exploring the Adirondacks, and enjoyed traveling the world with his partner, Elly O'Donnell, who was also a member of Tramp and Trail before her death. Our sympathies to his family, including his sister-in-law, Madonna Fellows.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Kathleen Browne
 Patrice King
 Tom O'Hara
 David Palazzoli
 Kathy Palazzoli
 Linda Potter
 Mary Catherine Scott



Congratulations!

to Don and Madonna Fellows
 on receiving Lifetime membership
 for their many contributions to the club!



2017 - 2018 Executive Committee

President: Meg Higgerson
 1st VP: Mary Pat Connors
 2nd VP: Bobbie Scarpino
 Treasurer: Mike Huss
 Secretary: Mary Cameron
 Director: Tom Smith
 Director: Jerry Stewart (not in photo)



Thank you to our Hike leaders and Co-Leaders!!

Without them we would have no club.

Our top five hike leaders for 2016-2017:

**Bobbie Scarpino, Sharon Kaelin, Deb Roberts,
 Jim Wasielewski and Mike Huss.**

We had 120 hikes in 2016-2017. 90% of these were led/co-led by our hike committee. Immense thanks! We encourage **ALL** members to be active not only in hiking, but leading and co-leading.

To do so, contact any hike committee member or Hike Committee chair:

Mary Pat Connors, mconnors921@roadrunner.com.

Remember we work at least two months in advance. **September, October, and November schedule will be planned in July.**

HIKE STATISTICS

April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017



Top Hikers:		Distribution of Scheduled Hikes	
Joan Egan		On foot	64
79 hikes	65%	Bike	10
Mike Huss		Canoe/Kayak	7
70 hikes	58%	Ski	5
Madonna Fellows		Ski/Snowshoe	10
60 hikes	50%	Other	23
Don Fellows			
59 hikes	49%		
Bobbie Scarpino			
57 hikes	47%		



- 120 hikes were scheduled during the year with 0 hikes cancelled.
- We did have 3 "unidentified" hikers, so make sure you write your name legibly on the sign-in sheet.
- The total number of hikers was 2,080; average hikers per hike was 16.13.
- The most popular hike was the Corn Roast with 53; the second was The Last Hurrah, New Year's Eve, with 48; third, High Peaks Weekend had 43; and fourth, our trip to the Smokies had 40 participants making that trek

HISTORY CORNER

The Tramp & Trail Club of Utica
 Founded 1921
 (Oldest hiking club in New York)

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- New updated membership cards for 2017 will be available upon payment of dues for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017. These will be available at T&T meetings. If you prefer your card to be mailed to you, please send self-addressed, stamped envelope to Treasurer, Mike Huss.
- Just a reminder that dues are \$12 for an email pdf file or \$18 for an postal mailed copy.

To contact the Webmaster please click [here](#).

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As we bid farewell to our first website, we would like to thank our members, especially Bill Wilson and Donna Wester, who had the foresight and worked to give our club a continued presence on the Internet since 2003! Here is a recollection from Bill Wilson: "I can't say that there was any one person who suggested a club website. It was an idea that was discussed, but not acted upon. So, in 2003, I made a study of many hiking club websites

worldwide. I took ideas from this study, added some more, and laid out a club website design. I handed this layout off to Donna Wester, who worked tirelessly to come up with the initial website. We found that some features, although nice, were beyond the current technology and slowed down the site speed, and we had to pull them back. Donna got things to work properly and brought up our first website, which she maintained and improved upon for several years. The Exec Committee reviewed and approved our site, with privacy being one of the concerns."