

Hike Schedule

January 2017



Founded in 1921
Utica, New York

This short column is being included in the schedule as a reminder of some practices that will make events more pleasant for everyone participating.

1. In the gathering at the meeting place, identify who does not know how to get to the trailhead, give them written directions, or make some accommodation so they will not get lost or left behind.
2. Hike leader will assign someone to be the last car in the caravan to the trailhead. All vehicles should slow down when you make a turn to assure the car behind you is following.
3. Every hiker should carry basic first aid supplies, as well as identification and emergency contact.
4. Every hiker should always stay behind the leader on the trail.
5. If you have a health problem you should inform the leader for the safety of the entire group.

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)

H – Hike

B – Bike

C/K - Canoe/Kayak

TM - Trail Maintenance

SCHEDULE SUMMARY

JANUARY 2017	
1	840 Trail – H/S/SS
7	Mohegan Lake – H/S/SS
8	Little Woodhull-Lily Lake – S/SS/H
14	T Lake Lean To - SS
15	Jackson Hill – S/SS
16	Starr Hill –S/SS
21	Watch Hill - SS
22	Highland Forest -S
28	Brandy Lake - SS
29	Cascade Lake to the Falls- S/SS

NOTE: *The Levels of Difficulty on the following hikes are approximate and are determined by the leader at the time the schedule is developed (usually 2-3 months prior to the hike). The leader often has not yet "pre-hiked" the location. You are encouraged to contact the leader should you have any concerns or questions regarding the hike pace or difficulty.*

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



**Happy
New Year!**

JANUARY 2017

840 TRAIL
H/SS/S
Sun. Jan 1 **1:00PM** **Hike # 6592**
HD: 4 mi. **DD: 0**
Difficulty: Easy
 Leader: Lu Blanchard – 315-768-3566
 Co-Leader: Barb Thomas – 315-737-0638
Meet At: Best Buy parking lot - Consumer Square NH
 Those who don't want to walk up the hill can park at Middle Settlement Rd. parking lot. We'll go to Hippo's afterwards to kick off the Pool season!

MOHEGAN LAKE

H/S/SS
Sat. Jan 7 **10:00AM** **Hike # 6593**
HD: 8.5 mi. **DD: 60 mi.**
Difficulty: Moderate
 Leader: Jim Wasielewski – 315-736-7425
 Co-Leader: Lorrie Wasielewski – 315-736-7425
Meet At: Mapledale
 This will require a short shuttle. We will start from the 7th Lake boat launch and hike to the lake. The return will be to the 8th Lake camping parking lot.

LITTLE WOODHULL-LILY LAKE

S/SS/H
Sun. Jan 8 **10:00AM** **Hike # 6594**
HD: 6 mi. **DD: 40 mi.**
Difficulty: Moderate
 Leader: Doug Wasielewski – 315-896 2817
 Co-Leader: Deb Wasielewski – 315-896-2817
Meet At: Mapledale
 Ski to Little Woodhull Lake. If the lake is frozen, we will ski to Lily Lake and return the same way.

T LAKE LEAN-TO

SS
Sat. Jan 14 **9:00AM** **Hike # 6595**
HD: 7 mi. **DD: 44 mi.**
Difficulty: Difficult
 Leader: Carolyn Eastman – 315-525-0366
 Co-Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099
Meet At: Mapledale
 We will hike to the lean-to and back out.

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JACKSON HILL

SS/S
Sun. Jan 15 **10:00AM** **Hike # 6596**
HD: 5 mi. **DD: 35 mi.**
Difficulty: Moderate
 Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099
 Co-Leader: Carolyn Eastman – 315-525-0366
Meet At: Mapledale
 Regroup at Burger King, Boonville. Ski or snowshoe the loop that begins with a trek "Into the Woods," continues with a romp through a "Sunfield" with vista views, and ends by wandering through an "Adirondack Field."

STARR HILL

S/SS

Mon. Jan 16 12:30PM Hike # 6597
HD: 5 mi. DD: 5 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Nancy Agen – 315-733-1408

Co-Leader: Mary Lou Miller – 315-896-6354

Meet At: Mapledale

Travel the roads and paths in the Starr Hill area of Steuben. Plenty of ups and downs. Visit a picturesque pond.

CASCADE LAKE TO THE FALLS

S/SS

Sun. Jan 29 9:00AM Hike # 6601
HD: 5.5 mi. DD: 60 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Roger Felske – 508-612-1266

Co-Leader: Doug Wasielewski – 315-896-2817

Meet At: Mapledale

Regroup at Bill's Bathroom in Eagle Bay. Regroup again at the Cascade Lake Trailhead on Big Moose Lake. You will have the option of cross-country skiing or snowshoeing to the falls. The falls should be iced over and spectacular.

WATCH HILL

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Sat. Jan 21 10:00AM Hike # 6598
HD: 3.4 mi. DD: 73 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate/Difficult

Leader: Deb Roberts – 315-790-3618

Co-Leader: Meg Higgerson – 315-841-8717

Meet At: Mapledale

Regroup at Speculator firehouse. We will hike in from NY 28/30 to the rocky lookouts atop Watch Hill. Great views of Snowy Mountain.

HIGHLAND FOREST

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Sun. Jan 22 9:30AM Hike # 6599
HD: Optional DD: 60 mi.

Difficulty: Easy/Moderate/Difficult

Leader: Jerry Stewart – 315-264-8280

Co-Leader: Carolyn Eastman – 315-525-0366

Meet At: Madison Central School

We will travel to Highland Forest, which is 2 miles east of Fabius on Rt. 80. Ski on groomed trails, any distance and any difficulty from easy to Kamikaze Hill. There is a \$10 pp fee.

BRANDY LAKE

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Sat. Jan 28 10:00AM Hike # 6600
HD: 5 mi. DD: 37 mi

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Sharon Kaelin – 315-732-2407

Co-Leader: Amanda Zdanowicz – 315-351-6143

Meet At: Mapledale

We will follow the snowmobile trail to the junction of a ski trail that leads to Brandy Lake.

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News from the History Corner:

Thank you to former committee members Barb Thomas, Bill Wilson and Ralph DeCristo for their many contributions to the History Corner. At this time, Mary Pat Connors has taken over those duties. Contact her if you would like to assist.

Attention Hike Leaders

Please send your release/sign-up sheets promptly to our Hike Records Chairperson:
Chuck Balsler, 9 Overbrook Crescent, New Hartford, NY 13414-4104.

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 who does not complete the hike. You may note any unusual occurrences in the comments section.

Return your sheet within 3-5 days.

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

Please denote the hike title, number and date to:

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

T&T Birthday Breakfasts

Come celebrate, have some fun and entertainment with Tramps having a birthday. Continuing a tradition begun by Peter Pliniski, Nancy Agen will accept reservations at 733-1408 for breakfast at the Inn at the Beeches in Rome.

Breakfast celebrations begin at 9:00am on the second Friday of each month.

Welcome New Members!

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Thank you John!

Since March of 2002, John Gilbert has been our DEC liaison for Carpenter Road recreation trails. After 14 years, he has decided to step aside and pass his golden clippers and silver loppers to Paul Fortin and Tom Schenck. Thank you John for your terrific coordination and for your enthusiasm for the task. Thank you Paul and Tom for stepping up!!

Congratulations!

To Nancy Coleman ... our newest Adirondack 46er, finishing on White Face on August 20, 2016.
To Amanda Zdanowicz and Sharon Kaelin... on completing the Fire Tower Challenge.
To Grace McNasser, Pam Carrier and Meg Higginson... on completing the Saranac 6.

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HISTORY CORNER OF THE TRAMP AND TRAIL CLUB

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“On January 3, 1922, the first ski and snowshoe trip was taken along Budlong Creek. In the 24 years since, the Club has had a number of favorite skiing areas. Of these, the South Woods' slopes easily lead in the number of times Tramps and Trailers have slid down them. For a few years the Club held its own Winter Carnivals in the Park, with the comfort of fires and hot food added to the pleasure of skiing.” (History Book #1)

And here's a photo from our most recent carnival outing in Inlet, February 2016.

Jean and Emil Misiaszek

