

HIKE SCHEDULE

MARCH, 2017



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Dues for 2017-2018

Dues for 2017-2018 (\$18 if you receive the schedule by mail and \$12 if you are receiving it by e-mail) are payable at the March Annual Business Meeting or the April Annual Dinner. They can also be paid by check payable to: "Tramp & Trail Club," and mailed to Mike Huss, 16 Cheriton Drive, Whitesboro, NY 13492. Any active member with 30 or more years of continuous membership in the club may obtain a waiver of dues upon written request to the executive committee. Those letters may be sent to Mike Huss.

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

MARCH 2017	
4	Heart Run and Walk - H
5	Moss, Sis and Bubb Lakes – H/SS
11	Chenango Canal – H/S/SS
12	Auger Falls & Extract Brook – H/SS
18	Brookfield & Hops – H/SS
19	Saphouse Hike & Afternoon Delight – S/SS/H
25	NPT to Stephens Pond – H/SS
26	Chateaugay State Forest – H/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.

MARCH MUD 2017



HEART RUN AND WALK

H
Sat. Mar 4 10:00 AM Hike # 6612
HD: 5 mi. DD: 0

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Madonna Fellows – 315-736-2564

Co-Leader: Don Fellows – 315-736-2564

Meet At: Utica College

Pre-register online or register at UC on Friday, 3/3. Group together in front of Strelbel Hall on Sat. at 10:00 am. We will walk 5 miles as a group, carrying our club banner.

MOSS, SIS & BUBB LAKES

H/SS
Sun. Mar 5 10:00 AM Hike # 6613
HD: 5 mi. DD: 50 mi

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Sharon Kaelin – 315-732-2407

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

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Hike to Moss Lake and then on to Sis and Bubb before returning to the parking lot.

CHENANGO CANAL

H/S/SS
Sat. Mar 11 10:00 AM Hike # 6614
HD: 5 mi. DD: 6 mi

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099

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

Meet At: Madison Central School, Rt 20

Hike along this historic towpath from Montgomery St. trailhead in Hamilton to Woodman Pond and back.



AUGER FALLS & EXTRACT BROOK H/SS

Sun. Mar 12 9:00 AM Hike # 6615
HD: 7 mi. DD: 80 mi

Difficulty: Moderate to Difficult

Leader: Lu Blanchard – 315-768-3566

Co-Leader: Deb Roberts – 315-790-3618

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Regroup at Speculator Fire Dept. You will have the option to do only Auger Falls (3 mi.) or return to the cars and then extend the day and go to Extract Brook (4 mi.). The trail to Auger Falls can have steep areas near the falls and is part of a snowmobile trail. The trail to the brook is on an old logging road and has multiple rolling hills.

BROOKFIELD AND HOPS

H/SS
Sat. Mar 18 10:00 AM Hike # 6616
HD: 6 mi. DD: 15 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Meg Higgerson – 315-841-8717

Co-Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099

Meet At: Nice & Easy, Sangerfield (Rt 12 & 20)

We will hike or snowshoe the horse trails and truck roads in the Moscow Hill area. Following the hike we will visit Hip Hop Farm to view their hop cultivation operation. A brew at a local establishment may follow.

SAPHOUSE HIKE AND AFTERNOON DELIGHT

Sun. Mar 19 1:00 PM Hike # 6617
HD: 2-4 mi. DD: 22 mi.

Difficulty: Easy/Moderate

Leader: Dave Huxtable – 315-822-5283

Co-Leader: Carole Torok-Huxtable –
315-822-5283

Meet At: Mirabito, West Winfield (Rt 20 & 51)

Experience the afternoon among the maple trees and end with a maple treat at Dave and Carole's. We will celebrate our sapmaster hiker a week before his octogenarian celebration.

CHATEAUGAY STATE FOREST

H/SS

Sun. Mar 26 10:00 AM Hike # 6619
HD: 5 mi. DD: 54 mi.

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Jerry Stewart – 315-264-8280

Co-Leader: Lori Waterman – 315-525--0535

Meet At: McDonalds, Erie Blvd, Rome

Easy truck trails following stone fences in scenic area of Pulaski. Relatively flat with a few small hills.

NPT TO STEPHENS POND

H/SS

Sat. Mar 25 9:00 AM Hike # 6618
HD: 7.3 mi. DD: 77 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Deb Roberts – 315-790-3618

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

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

We will hike the Northville-Placid Trail off NY28/30 into Stephens Pond, stopping at the lean-to for lunch, then heading back out. We had this on the schedule in Dec. but changed the hike due to inclement weather. It's a gradual incline going in, but ALL DOWNHILL going out !



JoAnn Jacobson, 72, passed away November 2016.

Always a very active and involved member of her

Community, Joanne, a 46 year member, served in 1986 as

the first woman president of the Tramp and Trail Club. Her

loss will be felt by her many friends and acquaintances.

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 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 5 New Members

Johannes Belmar

Richard Clair

Elyse Douglas-Fee

Rebecca A. Kick

Karen Oeinck