HIKE SCHEDULE

MAY 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) **B** - Bike

C/K - Canoe/Kayak

DD - Driving Distance (One way from meeting place) **H** - Hike

S - Ski

SS - Snowshoe

TM - Trail Maintenance

Schedule Summary

MAY 2017 6 Pratt's Falls - H 7 Windmills of Madison Co. - H 13 Cascade and Stephens Pond Loop- H 14 Unnamed Mountain/Rock Pond - H 20 Ithaca Gorges - H 21 Bike to Whetstone Gulf - B 27 Boots & Bar? Hopping - H 28 Queer Lake - H 29 Landis Arboretum - H

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

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PRATT'S FALLS

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Sat. May 6 10:00 AM Hike # 6629

HD: 4 mi. DD: 26 mi.

Difficulty: Easy to Moderate

Leader: Charlene Zebley – 315-942-5176 Co-Leader: John Gilbert – 315-942-5176

Meet At: Madison Central School

It's "I Love My Park Day." Regroup at McDonald's in Caz. Hike the woods, field and trails, then visit the falls. There is a vehicle entrance fee.

WINDMILLS OF MADISON CO.

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Sun. May 7 11:00 AM Hike # 6630

HD: 8 mi. DD: 0 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate/Difficult due to distance

Leader: Lori Waterman – 315-525--0535 Co-Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099 Meet At: Douglass Park, Main St, Oriskany

Falls

Hike the roads leading up to the windmills above Oriskany Falls. On the way we'll pass "Birdland" - a menagerie of all sorts of feathered and furry species. Enjoy panoramic views of Oneida and Madison Co. while we have a tailgate cookout (hot dogs) when we reach the top. Carl Stone has offered to be at the windmills to answer any questions our group has about these towering giants. The way back is all downhill!

CASCADE & STEPHENS PONDS LOOP

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Sat. May 13 9:00 AM Hike # 6631 HD: 7.4 or 9.4 mi DD: 72 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate/ Difficult

Leader: Tom Smith – 315-736-7524 Co-Leader: Gordon Potter – 315-827-4802

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Regroup at Bill's bathrooms in Eagle Bay. Hike two beautiful ponds. Eat lunch at one of the lean-tos. It's a loop hike which can be shortened to 7.4 miles with a shuttle.

UNNAMED MOUNTAIN / ROCK POND

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Sun. May 14 9:00AM Hike # 6632

HD: 6 mi. DD: 40 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Jim Wasielewski – 315-736-7425 Co-Leader: Lorrie Wasielewski – 315-736-7425

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Drive to Thendara and take Brown Tract Trail for a short distance. Then hike up to the Unnamed Mountain. From there we will sort of bushwhack to Rock Pond and back to the cars. Not difficult but will require a little sense of adventure.

ITHACA GORGES

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Sat. May 20 8:00 AM Hike # 6633

HD: 5-6 mi. DD: 96 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate with steep step sections

Leader: Don Fellows - 315-736-2564

Co-Leader: Madonna Fellows - 315-736-2564

Meet At: Madison Central School

Drive west on Route 20 to Cazenovia, South on Route 13 to Ithaca. We will hike gorges in three state parks. There will be a one-time entrance fee, so carpooling is encouraged.

BIKE TO WHETSTONE GULF

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Sun. May 21 10:00 AM Hike # 6634 HD: 35 mi. DD: 20 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Roger Felske – 508-612-1266 Co-Leader: Paul Fortin – 315-767-9708

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Regroup at Burger King, Boonville. Bike to Whetstone Gulf for a lunch and walk along the stream and then return to Boonville.

BOOTS N BAR?? HOPPING

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Sat. May 27 9:00 AM Hike # 6635 HD: .5 to 1 mi. each DD: 72 mi.

Difficulty: Easy to Moderate

Leader: Deb Roberts – 315-790-3618 Co-Leader: Meg Higgerson – 315-841-8717

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Join us as we combine an assortment of short hikes as we hop from one to the next. There will be a trivia test..... (Cathedral Pines, Death Brook Falls, Rocky Mtn, Marion River carry, Sawyer Mtn, and maybe Watch Hill). We might even find a pub along the way.

QUEER LAKE

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Sun. May 28 9:30 AM Hike # 6636 HD: 7 mi. DD: 50 mi.

Difficulty: Moderate

Leader: Roger Felske – 508-612-1266

Co-Leader: Mary Pat Connors – 315-723-0085

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Hike through hemlocks, spruce and white pines to a perfectly located lean-to on a beautiful

Adirondack lake.

LANDIS ARBORETUM

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Mon. May 29 10:00 AM Hike # 6637 HD: 5 mi. DD: 49 mi.

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Deb Roberts – 315-790-3618 Co-Leader: Gail Hannahs – 315-896-2320 Meet At: Gems along the Mohawk

Landis Arboretum has trail loops through beautiful gardens and ancient old growth forests.



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 Balser, 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