



Nantahala Hiking Club

Hiking Schedule

September/October 2017

SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2017 HIKING SCHEDULE by Gail Lehman

SAT. SEPT 9 **Tellico Gap to the Jump-up**. Hike to Wesser Bald Fire Tower on the AT. See new trail work completed by ATC's volunteer work crew (Konarrock) at the Jump-up. Total Hike Distance: 8 miles Rating: S Elevation: 1500' Meeting Place: WP Time: 8:30 am R/T Driving: 45 miles Leaders: Bill and Sharon Van Horn Phone: 369-1983

SUN SEPT. 10 Sunday Stroll at **Warwoman Dell/Becky Branch Falls**. This is a family friendly hike in historical Warwoman Dell on the Georgia Bartram Trail. See the remains of CCC trout fish hatchery and walk through a beautiful forest to lovely Becky Branch Falls. Total Hike Distance: 1.4 mile loop. Rating: E Elevation: 300' Meeting Place: WP Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 33 miles Leader: Chris Federico Phone: 772-233-7277

THUR. SEPT 14 and/or FRI. 15 **Summit Charter School AT water testing** at Standing Indian Campground. A chance to support and go along with the 8th grade students on either day as they take water samples. Option to tent camp at Standing Indian Group Campground. Summit Charter School teachers are responsible for student supervision. Contact Bill Van Horn at 369-1983

SAT. SEPT 16 **Juney Whank Falls to Indian Creek Falls** in Deep Creek in the Smoky Mountain National Park. We will see three waterfalls on this loop adventure. Total Hike Distance: 6 miles Rating: M – S Elevation: 600' Meeting Place: Bi -Lo Time: 8:30 am R/T Driving: 70 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

SAT SEPT 23 **Saturday Work Hike** For more information please call Bill Van Horn at 828-369-1983.

SAT. SEPT 23 **Rhapsodie Falls and Aunt Sally Falls** in Panthertown Valley. A fairly easy hike with several creek crossings, until you get just below Rhapsodie Falls, then a steep 100 – 200' climb to the base of the falls. A beautiful 80' falls in NE Panthertown. Aunt Sally Falls is 1/8 mile off on a spur trail. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: E Elevation: 200' S last 1/4 mile Meeting Place: Cashiers Rec Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 40 miles Leaders: Mike and Susan Kettles Phone: 743-1079

SUN. SEPT 24 **Tellico Valley** Hike on a lovely private trail on one of Mainspring Conservation Trust's first easements. Possibility of some wildflowers along the trail. Total Hike Distance: 3 miles Rating: M Elevation: 800' Meeting Place: WP Time: 2:00 p.m R/T Driving: 38 miles Leader: Jean Hunnicutt Phone: 524-5234

SAT. SEPT 30 **National Public Lands Day**. Family hike to **Rufus Morgan Falls**. Come celebrate ATC's Family Hike Day. Hike to a beautiful waterfall named for the founder of the Nantahala Hiking Club. Return on a loop. Children and or grandchildren mandatory and dogs welcome. Total Hike Distance: 2 miles Rating: E Elevation: 630' Meeting Place: WP Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 24 miles Leaders: Bill and Sharon Van Horn Phone: 369-1983

SUN. OCT 8 **Mud Creek Falls** in Sky Valley, GA. Easy walk to the falls along an old logging road. Total Hike Distance: 2.5 miles Rating: E Little Elevation climb Meeting Place: Smoky Mountain Visitor Center Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 30 miles Leader: Kay Coriell Phone: 369-6820

SAT. OCT 14 **Twin Falls** in the Pisgah National Forest is a beautiful setting with two nearby 100' waterfalls. Pass Avery Creek Falls and onto Twin Falls crossing many footlogs on Avery Creek. Total Hike Distance: 4.5 miles Rating: E – M Elevation: Little gain. Meeting Place: Meeting at abandoned gas station by Amore Cafe in Sapphire R/T Driving: 66 miles Time: 9:30 am Children 8 and over and dogs welcome. Leader: Robin Lurie Phone: 954-632-7270

SAT. OCT 21 **Yellow Branch Falls** in South Carolina is near Stumptown Tunnel area. Most of the hike is up and down with a couple of stream crossings with rocks to get across. The 60' falls is considered one of the most scenic in Western South Carolina. Total Hike Distance: 3 miles Rating: E/M along the creek Meeting Place: Cashiers Recreation Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 50 miles Leaders: Mike and Susan Kettles Phone: 743-1079

SAT. OCT 21 **Pumpkin Fest** in Franklin. NHC will have a booth. For more information or to help, please call Bill or Sharon Van Horn at 828-369-1983.

SAT. OCT 28 **Saturday Work Hike** For more information please call Bill Van Horn at 828-369-1983.

