



Nantahala Hiking Club

Hike Schedule

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MAY – JUNE 2018 HIKE SCHEDULE by Gail Lehman

SAT MAY 12 In celebration of NHC 50th Anniversary, we are having hikes that Rev. A. Rufus Dr. Morgan liked to do:

ALUM CAVE BLUFFS trail leads to Mt. LeConte. We will hike to the bluffs and back, hiking along Alum Cave Creek. Total Hike Distance: 5 miles Rating: S Elevation: 1700' Meeting Place: Bi – Lo Time: 8:30 am R/T Driving Distance: 85 mi. Leaders: Bill and Sharon Van Horn Phone: 369-1983

RAINBOW AND TURTLEBACK FALLS on the Horse Pasture River in the Gorges State Park with a great Visitor's Center. These two beautiful falls are close together on the river. Total Hike Distance: 4.5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 500' Meeting Place: Cashier Recreation Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 30 miles from Cashiers 60 mi. from Franklin Leaders: Mike and Sue Kettles Phone 743-1079

KIMSEY CREEK in the Standing Indian Recreational Area. Hike from the Back Country Parking lot over to the camp ground and up Kimsey Creek passing an old homestead to a lovely meadow for lunch. Hopefully seeing wildflowers along the way. Total Hike Distance: 5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 300' Meeting Place: WP Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 32 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone 524-5298

SAT MAY 12 RUFUS MORGAN FALLS named in honor of the founder of the Nantahala Hiking Club. A lovely hike to spectacular 75' fall seeing wildflowers along the way. Total Hike Distance: 1.5 miles Rating: E Elevation: 500' Meeting Place WP Time: 2 pm Leader: Jean Hunnicutt Phone: 524-5234

SUN MAY 13 KIMSEY CREEK in the Standing Indian Recreational Area. Hike from the Back Country Parking lot over to the camp ground and up Kimsey Creek passing an old homestead to a lovely meadow for lunch. Hopefully seeing wildflowers along the way. Total Hike Distance: 5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 300' Meeting Place: WP Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 32 miles Leader: Mary Stone Phone: 369-7352

SAT MAY 19 DEEP CREEK in the Great Smoky National Park. Hike along the creek seeing Tom Branch Falls and Indian Creek Falls and explore the Queen Cemetery on Indian Creek. Total Hike Distance: 5.4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 500' Meeting Place: Bi -Lo Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 60 mi. Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

SUN MAY 20 BLACK ROCK MT. LAKE Hike around the lake and then go up to the Visitor Center to view Clayton and the surrounding area. Visit a small nature museum. Parking fee of \$4. Total Hike Distance: 1 mile Rating: E Elevation: little Meeting Place: SMVC R/T Driving: 20 miles Time: 2 pm Leader: Kay Coriell Phone: 369-6280

SAT MAY 26 Saturday Work Hike 9am - 4 pm, Please contact Bill Van Horn Phone: 369-1983

SAT JUNE 2 KEPHART PRONG in the GSMNP. Hike along the creek to the Kephart Shelter passing an old CCC camp. 4 foot logs to cross, have lunch at the shelter. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 750' Meeting Place: Bi – Lo Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 75 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

SAT JUNE 9 High Falls Hike into a box canyon with 200' vertical sides to see High Falls. On June 9, they will be releasing a great amount of water from the dam, for the kayakers. This makes the falls breath taking. Total Hike Distance: 4.5 miles Rating: E - M Elevation: 600' Meeting Place: Cashiers Recreation Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 18 miles Leaders: Mike and Sue Kettles Phone 743-1079

SAT JUNE 23 Saturday Work Hike 9am - 4 pm, Please contact Bill Van Horn Phone: 369-1983

SUN JUNE 24 RANGER FALLS in Cliffside Recreation area. \$5 entrance fee/car. Hike from the Cliffside Lake parking lot. This is an interpretive loop trail hike along Skitty Creek to 30' waterfall and loop around through an old homestead. Children 8 and older and dogs welcome. Total Hike Distance: 3 miles Rating: E Elevation: 80' Meeting Place: Highland's Shopping Center 145 Main St.(1 Nails) Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 12 miles From Franklin Bi – Lo 24 miles. Leader: Robin Lurie Phone: 954-632-7270

