

JULY – AUGUST HIKE SCHEDULE 2018

SUN JULY 1 **Whiteside Mountain Loop** between Highlands and Cashiers. See spectacular views to the Chatooga River valley 2100' below. We might see peregrine falcons. \$2 car fee. Total Hike Distance: 2 miles Rating: M Elevation: 400' Meeting Place: SMVC Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 50 miles Leader: Mary Stone Phone: 369-7352

SAT. JULY 7 **Sweet Corn Festival** at St. Cyprian Episcopal Church on Roller Mill Road. 10 am to 3 pm. A wonderful day of music, silent auction, Arts and Craft booths and delicious sweet corn with hot dogs, beans and slaw. A short ¾ mile trail through the woods is right behind our booth. Call Kathy Ratcliff to help 349-3380

SUN JULY 8 **Secret Falls** near Highlands. Enjoy this beautiful 60' falls. There is a nice pool at the bottom for wading or swimming, so bring suit and towel. Total Hike Distance: 3 miles Rating: E Elevation: 100' Meeting Place: SMVC R/T Driving: 50 miles Time: 2 pm Leader: Mary Stone Phone: 369-7352

THUR JULY 12 **Flat Creek** in Pisgah Forest off the Blueridge Parkway. Explore with Matt Bushman the Heath, Grassy Bald and Fraser – Red Spruce forest learning about plants in this area. Matt is a botanist with the Nantahala USFS. **RSVP** at sapanca@gmail.com Meet at Bi – Lo at 8:30 am

SAT. JULY 14 **Park Ridge to Park Creek Loop**. Starting at Park Gap in Standing Indian Recreational area go down Park Ridge to the Connector Trail over to Park Creek. A nice loop that follows the creek on the way back. Total Hike Distance: 5.5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 600 ft. Meeting Place: WP Time: 9 am. R/T Driving: 40 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

SUN. JULY 15 **Pig Pen Falls** on Licklock Creek is a double stack fall with two long divided veils. Then back in the car to **Station Cove Falls**, a stepped waterfall of 60 ft. Total Hike Distance: 2.5 Little Elevation gain E Meeting Place: Cashiers Rec. Park Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 70 miles Leader: Robin Lurie Phone: 954-632-7270

SAT. JULY 21 **Lower Whitewater Falls**. Beginning at Bad Creek parking lot we will view these gorgeous falls two miles down river. Also see Lake Jocassee along the way. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation 500 ft. Meeting Place: Cashiers Rec. Park Time 10 am R/T Driving: 22 miles Leaders: Mike and Susan Kettles Phone: 828-743-1079

SUN. JULY 22 **Wayah Loop**. See the new Wayah Tower roof, walk North on the AT to the Bartram Trail and loop back to the tower. Wonderful views at the bald. Total Hike Distance: 3 miles Rating: M Elevation: 500 ft. Meeting Place: WP Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 32 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

FRI JULY 27 **Full Moon** hike to Siler Bald. Head lamp needed. Some supplied. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 920 ft. Meeting Place: WP Time: 7 pm R/T Driving: 24 miles Leader: Katharine Brown Phone: 421-4178

SAT. JULY 28 **Work Hike** Call Paul Dyer 347-6052

SAT. AUG. 4 **Chatooga River Trail** to the **Narrows** from Whiteside Cove Road. Walk along the Chatooga River to a beach beside the Narrow. Swimming hole also. Total Hike Distance: 5.2 miles

Rating: M Elevation: 400' Meeting Place: SMVC Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 70 miles Leader: Mary Stone Phone: 360-7352

SAT AUG 11 **Deep Creek – Indian Creek Loop** in the GSMNP at Bryson City. See three waterfalls and lots of tubers. Total Hike Distance: 5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 600 ft. Meeting Place: Holly Springs Plaza next to KFC Time: 8:30 am R/T Driving: 80 miles Leaders: Bill and Sharon Van Horn Phone: 369-1983

SAT. AUG 11 Hike in Panthertown Valley to **Blackrock Mountain** which offers a south view of the entire valley seeing Big and Little Green Mountains. Go into the valley to Wilderness Falls and out by Salt Rock for an easterly view. Total Hike Distance: 5.5 miles Rating: M-S Elevation: 700 ft. Meeting Place: Cashiers Rec. Park Time: 9:30 am R/T Driving: 16 miles Leader: Robin Lurie 954-632-07270 Children 8 and over and dogs welcome!

SAT AUG 18 **Franklin Folk Festival** at Cowee School US Hwy 28 N 6 miles If you would like to help call Katharine Brown 421-4178

SAT. AUG. 18 **Thomas Divide to Kanati Fork Trail** in the GSMNP. Hike along Thomas Ridge to Kanati Fork and come out at Kephart Prong. Total Hike Distance: 5.5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 700 ft. Meeting Place: Bi – Lo Time: 8:30 am R/T Driving: 90 mi. Shuttle needed. Leader: Gail Lehman 524-5298

SAT AUG. 25 **Panthertown Valley.** Begin at Salt Rock entrance and go to **Schoolhouse Falls.** Climb over Little Green Mt. and go to Granny Burrell Falls, Frolic and Wilderness Falls. Total Hike Distance: 7 miles Rating: M Elevation: 300ft. Meeting Place: Cashiers Rec. Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 16 miles Leaders: Mike and Susan Kettles Phone. 828-743-1079

SAT. AUG 25 **Work Hike** with Bill Van Horn 369-1983.

SUN AUG 26 **Tennessee Rock Trail** at Blackrock Mt. State Park Gradual climb around the mountain on the Eastern Continental Divide to an overlook (3,625') of the surrounding area. Visit the Nature Museum at the rock. \$4 fee Total Hike Distance: 2.2 miles Rating: E Elevation: 400' Meeting Place: SMVC Time: 2 pm R/T driving: 36 miles Leader: Mary Stone: 369-7352