



# Nantahala Hiking Club

## September-October 2019 Hike Schedule

SAT SEPT 7 **Hike Leader Workshop** at the Macon County Library from 9 am to 2 pm. To sign up, call Gail Lehman at 524-5298.

SAT SEPT 14 **Deep Gap to Standing Indian Mountain** on the AT. See spectacular views into Georgia. Total Hike Distance: 5 miles Rating: M- S Elevation: 900' Meeting Place: WP Time: 8:30 am R/T Driving: 42 miles.  
Leader: Irene Brewl Phone: 772-263-3478

SUN SEPT 22 **Kimsey Creek** in the Standing Indian Recreation Area. Starting at the Backcountry parking lot, go through the campground to Kimsey Creek and walk along this lovely creek. Come to a meadow with apple trees and return.  
Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 300' Meeting Place: WP Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 32 miles  
Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

WED SEPT 25 **Timber Ridge** in the Standing Indian Recreation Area. Hike to the AT then turn south on the AT to Beech Gap and down to FS. Rd.67. Total Hike Distance: 8 miles Rating: S Elevation: 1000' Meeting Place: WP Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 45 miles  
Leader: Irene Brewl Phone: 772-263-3478

SAT SEPT 28 **FAMILY HIKE DAY Winding Stair Gap** on the Appalachian Trail to Moore Creek Camp. Pass a lovely waterfall along the way and hop the creek. Total Hike Distance: 2 miles Rating: E Elevation: 200' Meeting Place: WP Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 22 miles Leader: Katharine Brown Phone: 421-4178

SAT SEPT 28 **Sweat Heifer to Kephart Prong** in the GSMNP. Great views along the ridge of the AT from Newfound Gap. See a beautiful cascade down Sweat Heifer. Pass Kephart shelter and follow the prong to US 441. Shuttle needed. **Limit 15 people.** Total Hike Distance: 7.5 miles Rating: M – S Elevation: 800' up 3000' down Meeting Place: Oconaluftee Visitor Center Time: 9am R/T Driving: 30 miles 80 miles from Franklin Leader: Keith Patton Phone: 456-8895

SAT SEPT 28 **Lower Whitewater Falls.** View this lower falls from a platform which is several miles below the upper falls. Also views of Lake Jocassee are seen along this route. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 100' Meeting Place: Cashiers Recreation Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 22 miles Leaders: Mike and Sue Kettles Phone: 743-1079

SAT SEPT 28 **Wild Woman Picnic Hike to Pinnacle Knob** off the Georgia Bartram Trail. Start at Warwoman Dell passing two waterfalls along the way. Steep climb up to Pinnacle Knob which overlooks Clayton, GA. Total Hike Distance: 9 miles Rating: S Elevation: 1700' Meeting Place: SMVC Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 40 miles Leader: Chris Federico Phone: 772-233-7277

SAT SEPT 28 **Rufus Morgan Falls.** View this 80' fall named for the Nantahala Hiking Club founder. Two stream crossings. Total Hike Distance: 1.5 mile loop Rating: E Elevation: 200' Meeting Place: WP Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 24 miles  
Leader: Kathy Ratcliff Phone: 526-6480

SAT OCT 5 **Rabun Bald** on the Georgia Bartram Trail. Start at Beegum Gap and go to the second highest point (4,696') in Georgia. Great observation platform. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 700' Meeting Place: SMVC Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 40 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

SAT OCT 12 **Road to No Where** in the GSMNP. Go along Lake Shore Trail to Whiteoak Branch to Forney Creek down to Lake Fontana and back by way of Lake Shore Trail. Total Hike Distance: 8 miles Rating: S Elevation: 600' Meeting Place: Bi – Lo Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 80 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

SUN OCT 13 **Panther town Valley Wilderness Falls** to Frolic Falls and back to Salt Rock Overlook. This is a nice loop into the valley and up to the overlook. Total Hike Distance: 3 miles Rating: M Elevation: 400' Meeting Place: Cashier Recreation Park Time: 2 pm R/T Driving 16 miles Leader: Robin Lurie: 954-632-7270

SAT OCT 19 **Rhapsody and Aunt Sally Falls** in the northeast corner of Panther town Valley. Several creek crossings to an 80' falls. 200' steep down hill to the base of falls. Another 1/8 miles to Aunt Sally Falls on a spur trail. Total Hike Distance: 4.5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 300' Meeting Place: Cashiers Recreation Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 40 miles  
Leaders: Mike and Sue Kettles Phone: 743-1079

SAT OCT 26 **Siler Bald** on the Appalachian Trail. Hike through the fall colors up to the bald for 360 degree views seeing Wayah Bald, Winesprings and a glimpse of Nantahala Lake. Return by way of the blue blaze trail. Total Hike Distance: 4 miles Rating: M Elevation: 700' Meeting Place: WP Time: 10 am. R/T Driving: 24 miles Leader: Katharine Brown Phone: 421-4178

SAT OCT 26 **Hemphill Bald** in the GSMNP. Begin at Purchase Knob and hike along Cataloochee Divide. Some of the most spectacular views can be seen from this ridge. **Limit 15 people** Total Hike Distance: 7.5 miles Rating: M – S Elevation: 1500' Meeting Place: Waynesville Ingles Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 20 miles 80 miles from Franklin  
Leader: Keith Patton Phone: 456-8895

