



# Nantahala Hiking Club



July 2020 HIKE SCHEDULE by Gail Lehman

*These hikes are limited to 6 – 10 people.  
Masks are required during congregating and driving to the trailhead.  
Four people per car with windows down for air circulation.*

**SAT JULY 4 Jones Gap to White Rock.** Hike the NC Bartram Trail to a spur trail and see a spectacular view of the Tennesse Valley and the Nantahala Mountains, Albert Mt. on the A.T.. Hike **limit 10 people**. Total Hike Distance: 5 miles Rating: M Elevation: 400' Meeting Place: Bi-Lo Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 28 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

**SUN JULY 5 Women's History Walk** in downtown Franklin. Beginning at City Hall, walk the trail through town and around town to 10- 12 locations. Total Hike Distance: 1 ½ +/- miles Rating: M (town hill) Meeting Place: Franklin Town Hall Time: 2 pm Leader: Mary Stone Phone: 369-7352

**SAT JULY 11 Sawmill Gap to Rocky Bald Ridge.** Follow FS. Rd. 7134 to Rocky Bald Ridge to Wine Springs on the A.T.. Hike to the Bartram Trail and back down to Sawmill Gap. **Limit 10 people**. Total Hike Distance: 7 miles Rating: M Elevation: 800' Meeting Place: WP Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 40 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

**SUN JULY 12 Rufus Morgan Falls.** Hike to this beautiful falls named for the founder of the Nantahala Hiking Club. Beautiful wildflowers and ferns along the way. Return by a loop through the rhododendrons. **Limit 10 people**. Total Hike Distance: 1.5 miles Rating: E- M Elevation: 200' Meeting Place: WP Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 18 miles Leader: Jean Hunnicutt Phone: 524-5234

**SAT JULY 18 Long Branch to Rock Gap** in the Standing Indian Recreational Area. Starting at the backcountry parking, hike up Long Branch to the A.T. at Glassmine Gap. Go north on the A.T. to Rock Gap and return by the FS Road. Dogs welcome on leash. **Limit hike to 6 people**. Total Hike Distance: 7 miles Rating: M – S Elevation: 900' Meeting Place: WP Time: 11 am R/T Driving: 38 miles Leader: Katharine Brown Phone: 421-4178

**SUN JULY 19 Wayah Bald Loop.** Starting a Wayah Tower and hike the A.T. to the junction of the Bartram Trail and come back to a forest service road. Beautiful views from the tower and the bald. **Limit hike to 10 people**. Total Hike Distance: 3.5 miles Rating: M Elevation 500' Meeting Place: WP Time: 2 pm R/T Driving: 32 miles Leader: Gail Lehman Phone: 524-5298

**SAT JULY 25 Bee Cove Falls** in South Carolina. This is a moderate downhill hike on an old logging road off 107 near the Fish Hatchery. View this 80' multi-tiered falls in a pretty area near the edge of the escarpment of the mountains. **Hike limited to 10 people**. Total Hike Distance: 6 miles Rating: M Elevation: 700' Meeting Place: Cashiers Rec. Park Time: 10 am R/T Driving: 20 miles Leaders: Mike and Susan Kettles Phone: 743-1079

**SUN JULY 26 Cowetta Hydrological Lab Center Loop.** Hike up Shope Creek Road to Cunningham Branch to Dyke Gap and over to Ball Creek Rd. Come down Ball Creek. **Hike limited to 6 people**. Total Hike Distance: 9 miles Rating: M – S Elevation: 1000' Meeting Place: SMVC Time: 9 am R/T Driving: 10 miles Leader: Katharine Brown Phone: 421-4178

