

TERC HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

July - December, 1978

	Date		Trip	Hike Rating	Leader
✓ July 1	Sat.	1 day	Unicoi Firetower	M-D	Kenneth Hatfield
✓ July 8-9	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Creek Trip to LeConte	D	Stan Murray
July 22	Sat.	1 day	Mt. Rogers	M	Don Shields
July 29	Sat.	1 day	Hawkbill-Snowball Mt.	M	Dick Ardell
✓ Aug. 5	Sat.	1 day	Caney Creek	E	Ed Allen
Aug. 19	Sat.	1 day	Rattlesnake Ridge	M	Myra Wilhelm
Aug. 20	Sun.	1 day	Raft Trip — New River Gorge, W. Va.	M	Collins Chew
Sept. 2, 3, 4	Sat.-Mon.	3 days	Multiclub Meet, Roan Mt. St. Park		TERC Hiking Club is Host
Sept. 9-10	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Martin's Fork Cabin	M	Bill & Vera Wortman
Sept. 16-24		9 days	A. T. Hike in Maine	D	Don Nelan
Sept. 16	Sat.	1 day	Cold Mountain (Beyond 6000)	M	Lewis Carson
Sept. 30	Sat.	1 day	Low Gap — Mt. Mitchell	D	Dick Ardell
✓ Oct. 7	Sat.	1 day	Beartown Mountain <i>Pond Mt.</i>	D	Hugh Thompson
Oct. 14-15	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Backpack North Smokies	M-D	Don Shields
✓ Oct. 21	Sat.	1 day	To Be Announced - <i>The State Road</i>		Bob Miller
✓ Oct. 21-22	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Mt. LeConte Lodge	M	Gary Bridges
✓ Oct. 29	Sun.	¼ day	Dinner — Cabin		Vera Wortman
Nov. 4	Sat.	1 day	Trail of the Lonesome Pine	M	Gordon Newland
Nov. 11	Sat.	½ day	Chimney Top	E	Garland Ruth
Nov. 18	Sat.	1 day	Stone Mountain	M	Ed Allen
Dec. 2	Sat.	1 day	Trail of the Lonesome Pine	M	Gordon Newland
Dec. 9	Sat.	½ day	Bays Mountain	E	Collins Chew

FUTURE HIKES

June 16- July 4, 1979	2½ weeks	England & Scotland (Register by Nov. 1, 1978)	Gordon Newland
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Hike Ratings E — Easy M — Moderate D — Difficult

CANOE SCHEDULE

July - December, 1978

	Date	Trip	Class of** Difficulty	Leader
✓ July 9	Sun.	Nolichucky River Races	I-II	Neal Sanders
✓ July 15	Sat.	Toe River	II-III	Dave Ingram
<i>Canoe.</i> July 29	Sat.	Nolichucky — Below D. Crockett Dam	I-II	Bob Bible
<i>Canoe.</i> Aug. 13	Sun.	Watauga — Below Little Wilbur	I-II	Dave Ingram Gordon Porter
✓ Aug. 19	Sat.	Clinch River Races	I-II	Neal Sanders
✓ Sept. 9	Sat.	Nantahala River	II-III	Warren McLain.
✓ Oct. 14	Sat.	Watauga (Upper) & Elk River	II-III	Charlie Williams Gordon Porter
✓ Oct. 28	Sat.	Big South Fork Fall Color Trip	I-II	Rick Phelps

**Class of Difficulty explained on back of this folder.

Final arrangements are made by hike or canoe leaders.

TRIP NOTICE

UNICOI FIRETOWER HIKE

JULY 1, 1978

A summer hike to Unicoi Firetower from Buffalo Mtn. Methodist Camp on July 1 is planned. The hike is rated moderate to difficult. It is eleven miles and you should bring lunch and raincoat. Those wanting to go on this hike, be at Building 215 parking lot at 9:00A.M., July 1st.

For more information call Kenneth Hatfield 288-2614



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TRIP NOTICE

SUMMER MT. LeCONTE CREEK TRIP

JULY 8-9, 1978

Mt. LeConte Lodge will be open for at least another year. We have taken reservations for 21 persons (the 3-bedroom lodge and 2 cabins).

If we can find a good place, we will meet for a hearty breakfast Saturday morning. Otherwise we will meet at the turn-around at the end of the road in Greenbrier Cove. This detail will be finalized in a later notice.

We will generally follow Porter Creek, partly on trail and partly in the creek, to the upper end of the cove. Then we will ascend rather steeply up a tributary and on rock ledges, arriving at a point near the Jump-off. The boulevard trail will then lead us to LeConte Lodge.

To hold our reservations, I need to make a \$10.00 deposit for each person. An additional \$7.50 (estimated) will be collected sometime next year. Send your checks to Stan Murray, Building 244, or to P. O. Box 3356, Kingsport, Tennessee, 37664, by December 12.

The first 21 names to be submitted with checks will be accepted.
Any unfilled places as of 5:00 p.m., December 12 will be cancelled.

The trip is rated difficult.


Stan Murray

MT. LeCONTE CREEK TRIP

July 8-9, 1978

The initial notice for this trip was sent out last fall in that advanced reservations at the LeConte Lodge were required.

We still have two unfilled open reservations for this trip. If they are not to be used I will need to cancel them by June 8. If any one is interested, please send a \$10 deposit to S. A. Murray, Building 244 at once.

The trip is rated difficult.

See "to the record" on back...

FOR THE RECORD

LeConte Lodge via Lester Prong and Jump-Off - July 8-9, 1978

Twelve Hikers gathered on Saturday morning at the Greenbrier Trailhead, where sunlight filtered down through the leaves of the tall poplars. We were blessed with good weather for the third year in a row! By lunch time we had covered the several miles of the Porter Creek trail and were at the junction of Lester Prong, still having gained fairly little elevation. Here we left the trail and followed Lester Prong. Gradually, then suddenly the ascent steepened. During the mile following lunch, we gained 3,000 ft. elevation, most of it in the final 1/4 mile. Finally, after two hours of scrambling, looking for handholds, footholds, and kneeholds, we topped out at the JumpOff. Five more miles on trail put us to LeConte Lodge in time for a 7:30 supper (the lodge personnel were most accomodating!) The twelve hikers were Darroll Nickels, Mike Knight, Gordon Newland, Paul Somers, Ann Iles, Terry Dougherty, Carol Dougherty, Tim Dougherty, Tom Gatti, Powell Foster, Ott Ellis, and Stan Murray.

Eight others came up by various trails to join us at the summit. They were Don Shields, Holly Shields, Tom Carter, Shelton Stubbs, Jan Stubbs, Tim Dragovich, Stella Dragovich, and Sam Erwin. Twenty Hikers in all attended.

Stan Murray

CANOE TRIP

TOE RIVER

JULY 15, 1978

A canoe trip is planned on the Toe River near Bakersville, North Carolina on July 15, 1978. Plan to meet at Building 215 parking lot at 8:15 A. M. Put in will be at North Carolina State Route 80 bridge at Boonford (near Bakersville, N.C.) The trip will cover about 11½ miles of Class II and III water. This is an area of outstanding scenic beauty. Take out will be at North Carolina Route 197 bridge at Red Hill, North Carolina.

Travel time from Kingsport, Tennessee to the put in is about 1 hour and 45 minutes. Plan to arrive back in Kingsport about 6:00 p. m.

Plan to provide the following:

a canoe and paddles with one extra paddle, a means of transporting the canoe, one life jacket per person, lunch and water and rain gear if desired.

For additional information contact David Ingram - telephone 926-0843 (Johnson City, Tenn.)

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IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND - PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING FORM TO GORDON PORTER, BUILDING 54B

NAME _____

TELEPHONE _____ / _____

HOME WORK

IF THERE IS A CHANGE OR CANCELLATION YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED.

FOR THE RECORD

U.S. 421 to Tenn. 91 - A T Maintenance - July 15, 1978

Four persons put in a full day of weeding and glazing this 7 mile section of trail on this warm, cloudy July day. No rain until very near the end. Present were Jim Rosser, Rick Patterson, Dick and Margy Clark. We found the section in good condition and hope we left it in better condition.

R.B. Clark

MT. RODGERS DAY HIKE

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 1978

This hike will traverse the crest from Elk Garden across Mt. Rodgers, Wilburn Ridge and Pine Mountain. Depending on group size, we will position cars at both ends or hike in a circle from Elk Garden. This area has much open country offering magnificent views. The rocky promontories of Wilburn Ridge are quite unique for this region.

We will leave Bldg. 215 parking lot at 8:00A.M. sharp and return by 6:00P.M.-8:00P.M., depending on group choice.

Don Shields

FOR THE RECORD

Dennis Cove - Tenn. 67, AT Maintenance - Sect. 11 - July 22, 1978

Comments: "Straight up and down and hot as hell!!"

This one turned out to be an endurance test of our cooling systems. The walkway on this section was in excellent condition - except for being vertical. Yellow jacket attacks and dry springs added to the bad news. The good news was an abundance of black berries and blueberries and a pretty fawn honored us with its presence at one point. The cool waters of Laurel Fork Creek proved to be a salvation from the 90's heat. Hikers attending were: Charlie Boye, Larry Browning, Lester Church, Ed Allen, Jim Davis, Gary Davis, Jack Young and Marshal Ledbetter.

Charlie Boye



TERC HIKING CLUB

CANOE TRIP NOTICE

*This notice was held in B-310
+ did not get out in time!*

NOLICHUCKY RIVER - DAVY CROCKETT DAM TO HIGHWAY 411

Saturday - July 29, 1978

Class I,II - Excellent trip for beginners. Meet at 8:30A.M. at B-215.
Bring your lunch along with other required canoeing essentials.

For more information contact R.J. Bible .

HIKING TRIP NOTICE

*This notice was held in
B-310 & did not
get out in
time.*

SNOWBALL MTN., HAWKBILL ROCK AND LITTLE SNOWBALL MTN. TOWER

Saturday - July 29, 1978

Being at high elevation this trip offers thrilling scenes which include Reems Creek Valley towards Weaverville, The distant French Broad River and the Craggie Mountains Area. A pleasant not too difficult hike, but may be overgrown in summer (some poison ivy). The tower on Little Snowball Mtn. offers vast panorama views and also has a spring near it. Plan to leave the B-215 parking lot at 8:00A.M. Bring lunch, rain gear, hiking shoes and appropriate clothes for the weather. This trip starts just off the Blue Ridge Parkway near the Craggy Gardens picnic area. Hiking distance round trip is 8 miles and the climb is 700 feet.

For further information contact Dick Ardell.

CANEY TRIP NOTICE
CANEY CREEK - AUGUST 6, 1978

Sunday afternoon Family Hike - Total about 6 miles - up Caney Creek in Greene County along base of Stone Mountain. Site of old homesteads where 18 familys formely lived. Easy walking on old country road. Meet in parking lot B-215, at 1:00P.M., Sunday, August 6, 1978. There is a 23 mile drive each way. We should be back in Kingsport by 6:00P.M. Bring water and a snack lunch, rain gear and camera.

For more information call Ed Allen at 246-6573

FOR THE RECORD

Caney Creek Hike - August 6, 1978

Light rain at parking lot B-215 did not bother ten hearty hikers, three small grandchildren who did not have a vote. We hiked two and one half miles up Caney Creek and back, and then about 1/4 mile up to Old Bruce Keller cabin and back. The weather was beautiful, no rain, cool and pleasant, a few mud holes to go around. We explored 4 or 5 old homesites. Good time was had by all. Cold pepsi and watermelon at the end of the trip was a nice treat.

Those making hike were Ward and Barbara Cochran, Kenneth Hatfield, Ben Thompson, Kent and Nancy Wilson, Angie and Patricia Tate, Robert West and Ed Allen, leader.

CANOE TRIP

Watauga River - Below Wilbur Dam

August 12, 1978

A canoe trip is planned on the Watauga River, Saturday, August 12, 1978. The date for this trip was originally scheduled for Sunday, August 13, but due to the generating schedule it had to be moved to Saturday, August 12. Plan to meet at Building 215 parking lot at 11:00 a.m. Put in will be directly below Wilbur Dam. Take out will be in the little town of Watauga, near Johnson City. The trip will cover about 12 miles of mostly Class I and II plus water with a couple of good Class III rapids if they are generating at capacity. The water is extremely cold and the current is very strong and swift, even in the flat stretches. There are also quite a few large standing waves.

The actual paddling time on the river is about four hours. Plan to arrive back in Kingsport about 6:30 p.m.

Plan to provide the following: a canoe and paddles, with one extra paddle, a means of transporting the canoe, one life jacket per person, lunch, water, and rain gear if desired.

For additional information contact Dave Ingram, Telephone 926-0843 (Johnson City) or Gordon Porter, Telephone 288-6513.

If you plan to attend, please return the following form to Gordon Porter, Building 54D.

Name _____

Telephone _____ / _____
Home Work

If there is a change or cancellation, you will be notified.

FOR THE RECORD

Watauga River - Below Little Wilbur Canoe Trip - Aug. 12, 1978
CANCELLED - due to low water level!

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TRIP NOTICE

RATTLESNAKE RIDGE HIKE, AUGUST 19, 1978

We will meet in Bld. 215 parking lot at 8:00A.M. Bring water, lunch and rain gear. We will hike from Rock Creek Park in Erwin up Rattlesnake Ridge trail (about 4 miles) to highway 107. If on the scouting trip I can find the other trail from 107 back down to the park, we will use it, otherwise we will hike the Appalachian Trail or return Rattlesnake Ridge Trail. Total hiking distance should be about 8 miles.

For further information call Mira R. Wilhelm, Ph. 477-7406

Rock Creek Waterfall Trail - August 19, 1978

The hike up Rattlesnake Ridge Trail was changed to the Rock Creek Waterfall Trail due to the heat and the very steep trail. On this hike were Clint and Anne Iles, Fred Dingle, his son, Chis, Tony Dickerson and Mira and Van Wilhelm. Total miles hiked were four.

Mira Wilhelm

TRIP NOTICE

RAFT TRIP ON NEW RIVER , W. Va.

AUGUST 20, 1978

A group is planning a trip through a rough section of the New River below Thurmond, W. Va., conducted by Wildwater Expeditions Unlimited, Inc. This is a repeat of a trip led by Bob Mynhier last year. This section of the New River is known as the "Grand Canyon of the East" and the float trip is one of the most exciting in the east. The New River is a large river but we will go at a time of low water to make it not too scary for those of us who are not expert canoeists.

We will drive to Thurmond, W. Va. on Saturday afternoon, August 19, 1978, carrying our breakfast with us. We will camp (they furnish tents) at the Wildwater Expeditions Unlimited Base Camp and take part in the compulsory safety course at 7:30A.M. on Sunday, August 20, 1978.

We and our guides will then paddle our 15 man rafts down the New River about 15 miles to Fayette Station and will be brought back to Thurmond by 5:00P.M. Participants must be at least 14 years old and be good swimmers. Lunch and waterproof bag are furnished.

Cost for raft trip	\$42.00
Camp fee	3.00

Reservations are made by Wildwater Expeditions Unlimited on receipt of one-half of the fee (\$21.00), but many dates are already full. The complete fee must be sent in 30 days before the trip. There is a \$15.00 fee for cancellation or date change.

Anyone interested in taking the trip should contact Collins Chew, 609 Green Meadow Dr., 239-6237 for more details.

see back for trip report...



TERC HIKING CLUB

- TRIP NOTICE -

MULTICLUB MEET

SEPT. 1-4, 1978

The annual Labor Day outing of the Southern Appalachian Trail Clubs will be hosted by your own TERC Hiking Club this year. The site of the meet will be at Roan Mountain State Park, a few miles south of Roan Mountain, Tenn. Reservations will not be accepted by the park, but we have been assured of plenty of camping space for tents, foldouts and trailers with adequate facilities. As a member of the Hiking Club you have partial responsibility for making this a memorable outing - one par with the 1975 Boone ATC meeting which our club hosted. We need volunteers for leading hikes and other activities. Suggestions and offers of help will be appreciated and should be sent to Don Nelan (Building 150B), Chairman of the Multiclub meet committee. For maximum usefulness, we need to hear from you by June 16th; there after, we may be appointing "volunteers"!

Bob Miller

To: Don Nelan, B-150B

I am volunteering to help with the Multiclub Meet!

Name(s)

Building

Phone



TERC HIKING CLUB

PROGRAM

1978 ANNUAL MULTI-CLUB MEET, SOUTHEASTERN APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUBS

ROAN MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

ROAN MOUNTAIN, TENN.

SEPT. 1-4, 1978

Host Club: TERC HIKING CLUB

Other Participating Clubs: Georgia Appalachian Trail Club, Nantahala Appalachian Trail Hiking Club, Smoky Mountains Hiking Club, Carolina Mountain Club, Piedmont Appalachian Trail Hikers, Mt. Rogers Appalachian Trail Club, Virginia Tech Outing Club, Kanawha Trail Club, Roanoke Appalachian Trail Club, Old Dominion Appalachian Trail Club, Natural Bridge Appalachian Trail Club, and Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club.

Friday, September 1

2:00P.M. Camp Opens: Registration continues all day.
Free Time hiking, nature study, etc.

8:30P.M. Informal campfire

Saturday, September 2

8:00A.M. Registration continues all day.

8:00A.M. Hikes scheduled from the following list.

1. Laurel Fork (Route 67 to Dennis Cove) round trip.

An easy 4 mi. walk which follows a cascading stream through a rugged gorge. There is a short climb with an elevation gain of about 100 ft. and an optional climb (Potato Top) of 100 ft. Most of the trip is on the A.T.

2. Carver Gap to Roan High Knob, with side trip to Bluff.

For 2 1/4 mi. the A.T. is followed, then a side trail through masses of purple rhododendron is followed to the Bluff where there is an excellent vista. Total distance of 3.8 mi. with a climb of 775 ft. Easy.

3. Carvers Gap to Grassy Ridge.

Walk through flowering alpine meadows, over successive summits. Long ranging views, flowering shrubs. Three miles of the 5 mi. trip are on the A.T. Climb is 675 ft. Easy.

4. Carvers Gap to U.S. 19E

Features are similar to no. 3 above. A great variety of flowers may be seen along the way; Gray's lily is endemic to this area. This is a difficult walk of 9-1/2 miles entirely on A.T. with a climb of 900 ft.

5. U.S. 19E to Carvers Gap.

Reverse of no. 4 with a climb of 2,075 ft. Difficult.

6. Carvers Gap to Hughes Gap.

This walk is along the A.T. all the way. As you walk beyond Roan High Knob, you will see rhododendron. Along the descent to Hughes Gap, you should see many flowers in the rich deciduous woods. The climb is 700 ft. There is a very steep descent along the last 1/4 mi. of the 4.6 mi trip. Moderate.

7. Hughes Gap to Carvers Gap.

Features and distance same as no. 6 above. Climb is 2,245 ft. Moderate.

8. Carvers Gap to Yellow Mtn. and return.

A long hike through alpine meadows, over successive summits to one of the largest meadows. 11 miles of the 14 mile trip are on the A.T. The climb is 900 ft. Very Difficult.

9. Carvers Gap via the Old Hack Road.

This walk of about 5 miles climbs steeply through the drainage of Five Poplar Branch. Birds and wildflowers should abound here. Climb of 1710 ft. Moderate

10. Hump Mountain Trail

Alpine meadows, magnificent vistas, alpine flowers. Climb 1000 ft. of the 9 mi. walk 6 mi is on the A.T. Moderate.

11. Hawksbill Mt. and Tablerock Mt.

Unique rock formations, sweeping views,
Trail is 2.5 miles. Climb 600 ft. Easy.

12. Linville Falls and Wiseman's View

View of the falls from High vantages,
panoromic view of entire wilderness area.
Climb 130 ft. Hike 1.5 mi. Easy.

7:30P.M. Campfire: Welcome by Bob Miller, TERC Hiking Club and
Hank Lautz, Executive Director, Appalachian Trail
Conference. Club Trail Reports. Entertainment.

Sunday September 3

8:00A.M. Hikes see Saturday schedule.

7:30P.M. Campfire: Horace Landrith and Clarence Moore
U.S. Forest Service; Roadless area review and evaluation
(RARE II) film and question and answer session.
Slide Show: Registrants personal slides, limit 15 per
person.

Monday September 4

8:00A.M. Hikes to meet demand. Do your own thing!
Area points of interest: Beech Mt. (Wizard of Oz),
Grandfather Mt., Linville Gorge wilderness area,
Tweetsie Railroad, Boone, N.C., etc.

12:00Noon Meet ends. Have a safe trip home!

TRIP NOTICE

MARTIN'S FORK CABIN

September 9-10, 1978

Martin's Fork Cabin is a rustic, one-room cabin in Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, approximately $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours from Kingsport. The cabin will accommodate 15 people and reservations are required.

We will hike up to the cabin on Saturday (a distance of 2.6 miles) and back out on Sunday. Although walking distance is short, the trail is rather steep.

The cabin has a fireplace but, since the availability of wood cannot be guaranteed, if you plan to cook you should bring a stove. You will need food for two trail lunches, plus Saturday night dinner and Sunday breakfast. There is a stream at the cabin but any drinking water would have to be purified.

Hikers should bring food (and stove and cooking provisions if desired), sleeping bag, flashlight, water, clothing suitable for the cool night, and rain gear.

For reservations or further information, call Bill or Vera Wortman at 288-2744.

FOR THE RECORD

Martin's Fork Cabin - Sept. 9-10, 1978

Backpacking overnight hike to cabin with day hikes from cabin. This was a very pleasant trip with much to see and good hiking trails. Three participated. Seventeen miles were hiked in 2 days.

Bill and Vera Wortman



TERC HIKING CLUB

Attn: Club Members

CARROLL REECE MUSEUM - September 16 - October 24, 1978

ANSEL ADAMS: A SURVEY

Ansel Adams' style, marked by a combination of fine craft and magnificent subject matter, caused Alfred Stieglitz to refer to Adams' work as "some of the finest photographs I've ever seen."

Recognized as one of America's greatest photographers, Adams' international reputation results from a career spanning over half a century high-lighted by major exhibitons in virtually every prominent museaum, a distinguished teaching and writing career, and an active concern for the preservation of our natural environment.

In recognition of Mr. Adams' activities, the University of Arizona's Center for Creative Photography is sponsoring an exhibition, Ansel Adams: A Survey. The exhibit consists of forty of Adams' photographs which Mr. Adams personally selected, feeling that it represents his long and distinguished career in photography.

He was born in pre-earthquake San Francisco in 1902. As a young boy, he visited Yosemite Valley often, taking his first photograph there at the age of 14 and serving as custodian at the Sierra Club headquarters for several seasons. He began a career as a concert pianist at the age of eighteen. It was not until the late 1920's that Adams turned from music to photography as a profession, when he began making photographs of the wilderness which reflected his deep respect for the natural beauty in unexplored areas. Adam's series of photographs of the Sierra Nevadas taken in 1927 launched his career in photography with the publication of a portfolio and a one-man show in San Francisco in 1932.

Since then, Adams has photographed extensively in the national parks throughout the country. To his credit are seven portfolios, more than fifteen books (including his most recent, Photographs of the Southwest, published by New York Graphic Society) and numerous awards including three Guggenheim fellowships. As a member of the Sierra Club's Board of Directors for thirty-seven years, Adams was instrumental in bringing about many conservation measures aimed at preserving natural resources.

Adams' photographs reflect unexcelled craftsmanship, utilizing an exposure method, the Zone System, which he devised to accurately duplicate nature's subtle tones. He notes: "I guess I got that from the discipline of the piano; I might have been quite a sloppy joe in photography if it hadn't been for the piano".

FOR THE RECORD

A.T. Maintenance, Chestoa to Spivey Gap - August 19, 1978

John Thompson and Kenneth Hatfield repainted A.T. blazes from Chestoa to No Business Shelter and picked up litter on the way back to Chestoa (11.2 miles total). The blazes from the shelter to Spivey Gap had been repainted, May 20, 1978. We met one deer and 10 backpackers during the day.

Multi-Club Meet - Roan Mountain State Park - September 1-4, 1978

TERC Host Club

Planning Committee: Dick Ardell, Collins Chew, Ray Hunt, Gordon Newland, Cosmo Griffith, Frank Williams, Bob Miller, Jack Young and Don Nelan, Chairman.

Attendees - 157

Appalachian Trail Conference	4
U.S. Forest Service	3
Georgia ATC	12
Nantahala ATHC	0
Smoky Mountain HC	34
Carolina Mountain Club	16
Mt. Rogers ATC	6
Piedmont AT Hikers	15
Virginia Tech Outing Club	2
Kanawha Trail Club	5
Roanoke ATC	14
Old Dominion ATC	0
Natural Bridge ATC	7
Tide Water ATC	1
TERC Hiking Club	42

Activities

Master of Ceramones - Bob Miller, President of TERC Hiking Club

Speakers - Hank Lautz, Appalachian Trail Conference

Horace Landrith, National Forest Service

Clarence Moore, National Forest Service

Entertainment - Bill Birchfield, Roan Mountain Highlanders

Registration - Cosmo Griffith, Don Nelan, Martha Nelan

Hike Leaders - Gordon Newland, coordinator

Darrol Nickels - Carvers Gap to Grassy Ridge - Fri.

" " - State Park to Carvers Gap via Little Rock Knob - Sat.

" " - Shell Creek to Elk Park - Sun.

" " - Doe River Gorge - Mon.

Frank Williams - Carvers Gap to Hughes Gap - Sat.

" " - Carvers Gap to 19-E - Sun.

Jack Young - Hughes Gap to Carvers Gap - Sat.

Bob Miller - Laurel Fork Gorge - Sat.

" " - Carvers Gap to Grassy Ridge - Sun.

Ray Hunt - Carvers Gap to Roan High Bluff - Sat.

Harriet Locke - Carvers Gap to Grassy Ridge - Sat.

- Carvers Gap to Hughes Gap - Sun.

Don Nelan - 19-E to Grassy Ridge to Carvers Gap - Sun.

Frank Oglesby - Elk Park to Shell Creek - Sun.

John Thompson - Hughes Gap to Carvers Gap - Sun.

Collins Chew - Hawks Bill and Table Rock Mts. - Sun.

Gordon Newland - Carvers Gap to Grassy Ridge - Sun.

Hugh Thompson - Laurel Fork Gorge - Sun.

Ed Page - Beauty Spot to Iron Mt. Gap - Sun.

A special warm thank you to all who helped make the 1978 Multi-Club Meet a success.

Don Nelan

TRIP NOTICE

COLD MOUNTAIN

Saturday, September 16, 1978

DO YOU WANT SOME NATIVE CHESTNUTS?

DO YOU WANT TO "BAG" ANOTHER "ABOVE 6000" PEAK?

DO YOU WANT A NICE DAY'S HIKE IN A DESIGNATED WILDERNESS AREA?

Then combine all three into the hike on Saturday, September 16, to the top of Cold Mountain (6030 ft.) located at the northern end of the Shining Rock Wilderness area near Waynesville, N. C.

The plan is to meet in front of Bldg. 215 at 7:45 a.m. Saturday, September 16, combine transportation, and leave at 8 a.m. The hiking distance from the parking area at the dead end of Crawford Creek Road to the top is 2.5 miles. We will have lunch in a field near the summit. For those wishing to gather some native chestnuts, there will be a side hike of approximately two miles roundtrip. Return trip to the parking lot is all down hill with arrival back in Kingsport approximately 8:30 p.m. This is considered a hike of moderate difficulty.

Bring lunch, water, rain gear, and money since we will probably want to stop for "quick order supper" on the return trip. For further information, call Lewis A. Carson, 246-4880.

Cold Mountain - Sept. 16, 1978

Warren McClain (3 months after open-heart surgery), Julian Lewis (a peak-bagger), and Doris and Lewis Carson left Kingsport in the over cast of Saturday morning, Sept. 15. As we approached the Shining Rock Wilderness Area near Waynesville, N.C., to hike Cold Mountain the skies turned a clear blue. The blue skies provided a hot sun and no breeze as we started from Crawford Creek Road (4,000' elevation) to Deep Gap (5,000') via a Carson short cut that by-passed all those fancy zig-zags in the old logging road. On the trail to the summit (6,050') we met 4 other hikers and a dog; in the clearing at the top were two female grouse. Warren took home enough 5,000' spring water to make coffee for a week, but Lewis found none of the elusive chestnuts. Maybe next year!

TRIP NOTICE

AUTUMN HIKE ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1978

The annual fall hike on the AT will cover 88 miles from Crawford Pond to the Kennebec River in Maine. There are over 16 miles of side trips to scenic points along the way that will be optional. We will fly from Tri-Cities to Bangor, Maine, then by float plane to Crawford Pond on Saturday, Sept. 16. The return flight from Bangor to Tri-Cities will be on Sunday, Sept. 24.

Anyone wanting to participate in this activity please make a reservation by sending \$10 to Don Nelan, B-150B, by August 31st. An additional deposit will be required when transportation expenses are known. This hike is rated difficult. If you desire more information, call Don Nelan at 239-9534.

A T Crawford Pond to Kennebec River, Maine - Sept. 25, 1978

Backpacking on the A.T. from Crawford Pond to the Kennebec River in Maine, September 15-24 (1978).

Seven members of the hiking club took a week-long backpacking trip on 89 miles of the Appalachian Trail in Maine. They were Collins Chew, Jack Crowder, Ray Hunt, John Kiefer, Darrol Nickels, John Thompson and Don Nelan.

We flew by commercial plane on Friday night to Pittsburg, Pa., where we visited Ray's mother and enjoyed her excellent Saturday breakfast. We then flew from Pittsburg to Bangor Me., and took a float plane to Crawford Pond in the center of a 100 mile wilderness section of the A.T. We had hiked north to Katahdin in 1977 from this point and now we headed south. We met 39 hikers during the week, most of them through-hikers within a week of completing the whole trail from Georgia of over 2,000 miles.

The trail was often very steep, rocky and rough. There were logs over many bogs, but because of a dry summer, ~~were~~ not needed by us in most places. We spent one night in a shelter, five nights in tents (a ridgeline camp site, 3 ponds and the Kennebec River), one night in a rustic cabin at Bodfish Intervale and one night at a boarding house in Monson at midweek.

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The weather was very clear and pleasant the first four days, cloudy with a light rain in the afternoon of the fifth day, cloudy and clearing the sixth day with clear and cool the rest of the trip. There was a frost nearly every night with the temperature below freezing at least two nights.

The trees had started to pick up autumn colors before we arrived and by weeks end were approaching peak conditions.

Highlights of the trip was the excellent weather, fine views from the mountain peaks, fall colors, steep and rough trail, a stay at Shaws boarding house in Monson, the Canada Jays at a ranger cabin who ate part of Ray's lunch, and an invitation for coffee and cookies by the Kenry Drews on Friday afternoon. The Drews have a cabin on Pleasant Pond and they invited 4 hungry looking hikers in for coffee and cookies not knowing that 3 other uninvited hikers would soon join them. The Drews were most hospitable, even telling us of a good campsite a short distance down the road.

This is the 18th trip taken by the group in 13 years. Most of the group has hiked from 1000 to 1200 miles of the A.T. Interested hikers are welcome to join the group on future hikes.

Don Nelan

FOR THE RECORD

Trail Maintenance - Carvers Gap to Bradley Gap - AT - Sept. 30, 1978 - R.M. Mynhier
Five people did maintenance on the Appalachian Trail from Bradley Gap to Carvers Gap. We split into two groups and worked both directions on the trail. One group of 3 hiked up Shell Creek to Bradley Gap and then along the Trail to Carbers Gap. The other 2 started at Carvers Gap and worked to Bradley Gap and then down to Shell Creek. Those making the trip were Tom Banks, Bob Miller, Roger Olson, Elder Reynolds and Bob Mynhier.

- TRIP NOTICE

HIKE POND MOUNTAIN RIDGE - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8th, 1978

Well the half year schedule calls for me to lead a hike this weekend, originally Beautown Mountain east of Lebanon, Va., was to be our objective, but with the advent of RARE II and my subsequent work on it I took the liberty to change our destination.

Pond Mountain proper peaks at the tri state corner north of Mountain City, Tenn. Pond Mountain Ridge extends south east from this point for 2-3 miles with an elevation of 44-4800 feet. To the south west run Rogers Ridge, the namesake of this RARE II area!

This hike can be as easy as you like or it can be moderately difficult. We will start hiking at an elevation of about 4,000 feet and climb at most 1,000 ft. and go in and come out the same route under present plan. If enough interest is shown a through hike of 10-12 miles can be arranged for those interested.

I feel this will be a very rewarding trip and give us an insight into an area neglected by our club. Good views of White Top, Mt. Rogers, The Peak, Snake Mtn., 3 Tops, Sugar and Beech Mountains should be afforded.

Plan to leave the parking area at Wrights Super Mkt. in North Johnson City (Across from K-Mart) at 8:00A.M. Driving distance one way is 60-80 miles walking distance 3 to 10 miles round trip. Bring Camera, lunch, field glasses, canteen and wear clothes for the prevailing weather.

For further information call Hugh Thompson at 928-0472 (after 6P.M.)

Pond Mountain - October 9, 1978 - Hugh Thompson

A brisk Oct. morning (45° and a 30mph wind) greeted us as we topped out on the eastern end of Pond Mountain. At Whispering Rock we stepped aside and allowed 25 ORVS to pass us by. Later we met or were passed by several trail bikers. On top (5000') rime ice coated many of the trees, but was kept from melting by the winds. Views from the top of the extensive pasture are exceptional as high mountains can be seen in all directions. This is a local mountain range almost unknown to our club. The eastern most section is included in the forrest service RARE II section known as Rogers Ridge. Ten members and guest, enjoyed a very enjoyable fall Sunday. The exceptional display of red maple in full color was well worth the trip.

TRIP NOTICE

TWEETSIE ROADBED

Saturday, October 21, 1978

The Tweetsie railroad (of Blowing Rock and TV fame) really ran as a commercial carrier up until 1941 as the ET & WNC between Johnson City and Cranberry, N.C. A short section still operates occasionally as a sight seeing attraction in the Doe River Gorge. The hike will start near Whitehead Hill on U.S. 19-E about six miles above Hampton where we will intercept and hike down the old Tweetsie roadbed to the mouth of the Doe River Gorge. You have frequently been promised down hill hikes. This one will be just that...with a net loss in altitude of 600 feet. Distance will be about 5 miles. Assemble at the B-215 parking lot for an 8:30A.M. departure. We should be back by late afternoon. Bring a sturdy pair of hiking shoes, clothes appropriate to the weather, rain gear, water and lunch.

For further information call Bob Miller, 288-2572.

"Follow the Route of the Tweetsie" - Saturday, October 21, 1978 - Bob Miller
The hike, "Follow the Route of the Tweetsie" on Saturday, October 21st, turned out to be even easier than expected. Catching the old Tweetsie road bed near Whiteheads Store, it was a smooth walk and all down hill - very gentle grade - to the mouth of the Doe River Gorge for a total hiked distance of about four miles. It was a beautiful fall day - sunney and mild - with the green, yellow, red and brown leaves a riot of color in brilleant sunlight. Three bridges and three tunnels added to the interest of the hike as well as did the towering walls of folded rock in the gorge. If you missed this one, another hike down the gorge is planned for May 1979 when spring flowers should be at their best. Bill Dickason and Bob Miller made up the hiking group.

Bob Miller

- TRIP NOTICE -

LeConte Lodge Hike
October 21-22, 1978

We have reservations for 12 people on Saturday, October 21, at LeConte Lodge. Currently all reservations are tentatively filled with two on the waiting list; however, many of the reservations are not firm. If you are interested in getting on the waiting list, call Gary Bridges (247-4380 or HDC Ext 419). The cost of this trip is \$17.49 for adults, \$12.83 for children 10 years of age and under. This is to cover one night's lodging, Saturday evening dinner and Sunday morning breakfast. The ones holding reservations must confirm them by September 13, 1978, by paying in full to me. The club must send payment in full to the Lodge 30 days in advance to hold our reservations; so we need your money promptly.

Trip Information: Meet at Building 215 parking lot at 7:30 a.m., Saturday, October 21. Group will decide which trails to travel. You will need trail lunches for Saturday and Sunday. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring rain gear, warm sweater or jacket for a cool evening. The weather is very unpredictable during this time of the year. The Lodge furnishes bedding, but you must bring your own toilet articles. A pair of light weight slippers are handy to wear at the Lodge and they give your hiking shoes a chance to dry out. Any questions - give me a call.

Gary Bridges

Mt. LeConte Lodge - October 21-22, 1978 - Gary Bridges

Twelve of us, Gary, Brice, Gwen and Brandt Bridges; Troy III, Ruth, Jenifer and Page Parham; Owen Holbrook; Kenneth Hatfield; Tom Jackson; and Dave Best ascended Mt. LeConte via the Alum Cave Trail on October 21 to stay overnight at the LeConte Lodge. After the evening meal, all of us went out to Cliff Tops to enjoy the trail end of the sunset. Nine of us hiked out to Myrtle Point Sunday morning to enjoy a beautiful sunrise. After a scrumptious breakfast, everyone except myself, Owen, and Kenneth, descended via Alum Cave Trail. The three of us descended via Boulevard and the A T to Newfound Gap, with a side trip to the Jumpoff. The weather was clear the entire weekend, offering beautiful views of the autumn foliage.

Gary Bridges



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NOTICE

OYSTER DINNER

DATE: Sunday, October 29, 1978

PLACE: Eastman Cabin

HOSPITALITY TRAY: 6:00 p.m.

DINNER: 6:30 p.m.

Oyster Dinner \$4.75

Strip Steak Dinner \$3.75

Hamburger Dinner \$2.50

All Served With: Baked Potato
Tossed Salad/Choice of Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Chocolate Cake
Coffee or Tea

PROGRAM: 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Harriet Locke of Bristol, who just this summer finished hiking the entire Appalachian Trail, has agreed to come and share with us some of her experiences from the hike. We'll also have some slides and/or movies of Collins Chew's raft trip on the New River.

For dinner reservations, send this notice and your check to Vera Wortman, Building 215, or 4205 Skyland Lane, Kingsport, TN 37664, by October 20, 1978.

To: Vera Wortman (Building 215), 4205 Skyland Lane, Kingsport, TN 37664

Please reserve: _____ Oyster Dinners @ \$4.75 \$ _____

_____ Strip Steak Dinners @ \$3.75 \$ _____

_____ Hamburger Dinners @ \$2.50 \$ _____

Enclosed is my check (payable to Vera Wortman) for a total of: \$ _____

Signed _____

FOR THE RECORD

Oyster Dinner - October 29, 1978 - Eastman Cabin - Vera Wortman

Seventy-six persons attended the oyster dinner at Eastman Cabin on October 29. Don Nelan and Darrol Nickels were the "oyster roasters." Chefs Mira and Van Wilhelm cooked the steaks and hamburgers. Others helping with the dinner included Georgia Nickels, Martha Nelan, Collins and Charlotte Chew, Jack Young, and Bill and Vera Wortman.

Harriet Locke showed slides from her recently completed hike of the AT. Collins Chew showed movies of the raft trip on the New River. We were able to serve all who asked for reservations and had no "no shows." And we had plenty of oysters!

There was a balance of \$35 left over from the purchase of the food. This has been donated to the Appalachian Trail Conference.

TRIP NOTICE

Hike - CHIMNEY TOP - November 11, 1978

Meet in Parking Lot B-215 at 8:00A.M. We will leave at 8:15A.M. Transportation will be car pool. Wear Clothing appropriate for the weather. Sturdy hiking shoes or boots are needed. A snack lunch and water is all that is needed. Hike is moderate and fairly short. Should return to parking lot around 1:00P.M.

Garland Ruth is hike leader.

Chimney Top - November 11, 1978 - Garland Ruth

Three people and the hike leader enjoyed this hike. The weather was good, clear but hazy. The views from the top were great. The group returned to B-215 parking lot by 1:00P.M. This is a good short hike within view of Kingsport. Those attending were Glen Smith, Gary and Scott Luttrell, and Garland Ruth.

TRIP NOTICE

CANEY CREEK/STONE MT. - Sunday, November 19, 1978 - 1:00P.M.

A Family hike, total distance of 6 miles is planned for November 19th. We will go a short distance up Caney Creek and then up the side of Stone Mt. and return. The trail is moderate, but not too steep.

We will meet at parking lot, B-215, at 1:00P.M., Sunday, November 19, 1978. Trip will involve twenty three miles driving each way, about 35 minutes, should be back to town around 6:00P.M.

Bring walking shoes, canteen for water, and suitable clothing.

For further information call Ed Allen, 246-6573.

FOR THE RECORD

Caney Creek and Stone Mountain - November 19, 1978 - Ed Allen

Eight adults and five small fry hiked about three miles up Big Caney Creek and then about 1/2 mile up trail across Stone Mt. that leads to Van Hill. We went up near top of the mountain then out and back down a dry creek bed. Discovered a high rock water fall, no water at this dry time of year. Back to head of Caney Creek and Back down the creek.

Four of the small kids road from head of creek back to Allen cabin in open Jeep with two men. Others hiked back down, exploring three old houses and sit of old Caney Creek schoolhouse. Beautiful day with blue skies, just right for shirt sleeve hiking.

We ended trip with weiner and marshmellow roast and pepsi and hot coffee. Everyone enjoyed hike, totaling about 6 1/2 miles.

Those making trip were Jack and Timothy Crowder, Mary and Bruce Cunningham, Kirt and Rob Finch, Scott and Gary Luttrell, Peter Morison, Angie and Patricia Tate, Robert West and Ed Allen.

Fodderstack Mountain

We will explore the next ridge southwest of Chimney Top in the Bays Mountain Range. This will be a six mile loop hike. It will start up an old road to Wolf Gap between Chimney Top and Fodderstack Mountain. Ray Hunt will be our guide. After climbing to the ridge, we will follow the relatively level ridgetop to the southwest end of the mountain. There should be some good views. There is no trail so the route may be a bit rough with a few briars. We will descend to Ray Hunt's farm and the log cabin of his uncle, Kurt Trompe. Ray and Kurt have built the cabin complete to frontier specifications and are now adding the frills of civilization such as running water and interior walls. Ray promises hot chocolate, coffee, and doughnuts to warm us up. The trip should be of medium difficulty. Bring warm and sturdy clothes to suit the weather and turain. Also bring lunch, raingear and canteen.

For information, call Collins Chew - 239-6237. (301)

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