

TERC HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE

July-December, 1980

Date			Trip	Hike Rating	Leader
✓ July 12	Sat.	1 day	Old Black (Beyond 6000)	D	Collins Chew
✓ July 18-20	Fri.-Sun.	3 days	Sierra Club — Tenn. Chapter Quarterly Mtg. Roan Mtn. State Park Eight Hikes of Varying Length	E-D	Sierra Club
Aug. 2-3	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Mt. LeConte via Cannon Creek	D	Stan Murray
Aug. 16	Sat.	1 day	Mt. Celo to Deep Gap	D	Doug Lowman
Aug. 23-24	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Yellow Mtn. to Hump Mtn. (Overnight Backpack)	E	Lewis Carson
Aug. 30-31 } Sept. 1 }	Sat.-Mon.	3 days	Multiclub Meet, Georgia	E-D	
Sept. 6-14		9 days	AT, Maine, Hwy. 5-Hwy. 27	D	Collins Chew
Sept. 20	Sat.	1 day	Linville Gorge	M	Dick Clark
Sept. 27-28	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Mt. LeConte	D	Lewis Carson Jeff Vandenhilt
Oct. 11-12	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Big Bald (Overnight)	M-D	Hugh Thompson
Oct. 18-19	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Cumberland Caverns (Overnight - Underground)	E-M	Collins Chew
Oct. 25	Sat.	1 day	Trail of the Lonesome Pine	M	Gordon Newland
Nov. 2	Sun.	1/2 day	Dinner Meeting — Cabin	Fun	
Nov. 8	Sat.	1/2 day	Hanging Rock	E	Frank Oglesby
Nov. 22	Sat.	1/2 day	Chimney Top	M	Collins Chew

CANOE SCHEDULE

July 13	Sun.	1 day	Nolichucky Gorge	I-IV*	R. Sparks
July 27	Sun.	1 day	Lower Nolichucky	I-III	D. Ingram
Aug. 10	Sun.	1 day	French Broad Gorge	I-IV	G. Porter
Aug. 16 <i>Sept. 13</i>	Sat.	1 day	Nantahala	I-III	W. McLain
Aug. 30	Sat.	1 day	New River Gorge (Raft & Canoe)	I-V	Rudy Arnold
Oct. 18-19	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Big South Fork (TSRA)	I-III	T. Dougherty
Oct. 26	Sun.	1 day	Toe River	I-III	D. Ingram

FUTURE HIKES — TENTATIVE POSSIBILITIES

1981 — Summer	Norway or Hawaii	Bob Miller
1981 or 1982	Mt. Rainier (Backpacking or Climbing)	Collins Chew

*Class of Difficulty explained on back of the folder.

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TRIP NOTICE

OLD BLACK (Beyond 6000), JULY 12, 1980 - Saturday

This hike in the Smokies will follow the Snake Den Mountain Trail from Cosby Campground to the Appalachian Trail at Inadu Knob. Then we will hike near to Old Black (6370') and bushwhack .15 mile to the summit. The round trip is 13.4 miles. If a few of the group have extra energy they may do another 2 miles and include a second "Beyond 6000 pick", Mt. Guyot (6621'), which is the second highest mountain in the Park. The trail should be O.K. Bring lunch, canteen, suitable clothes and rain gear. We will eat supper on the way back.

Starting time	7:30 A.M.
Meeting place	B-215 parking lot
Driving distance	180 miles - round trip
Hiking distance	13.4 miles
Total climb	4000 feet
Estimated return time	9:00 P.M.

For more information call Collins Chew at 239-6237.

Old Black (Beyond 6000') - July 12, 1980 - Collins Chew

Doug Lowman and Collins Chew climbed the graded Snakeden Trail from Cosby Campground to the AT and on along the AT to Old Black. A short but difficult bushwhack through brush and blowdowns brought us to the summit of Old Black (6370 ft.). It was a beautiful clear day for summer in the Smokies. There were fine views of the valley, Mt. Cammer and the other 6000 ft. peaks in the eastern end of the Park. We almost beat the 30% chance of thundershowers back to the car.

TRIP NOTICE
CHATTOGA RIVER FLOAT - Sat. & Sun., JULY 26-27, 1980

This trip will be on section III and possibly section IV depending on the wishes and ability of the group. We will plan to leave Friday after work and make base camp at Oconee State Park in South Carolina. Trips for both days will start from the campground. We will probably not get back to Kingsport before 10:00 P.M., Sunday. The put-in for sec. III is about 1/3 mile from the parking lot so be prepared for a long carry (or drag) to the put-in. Sec. III is mostly class II and III rapids with one class IV (Bull Sluice). Sec. IV is much tougher. If you can successfully run Bull Sluice 3 out of 4 times you are ready for sec. IV.

If you want to go and enjoy this National Wild and Scenic River, complete and return the form below:

To: Terry Dougherty, B-150, TEC

Name _____ Ext. _____

Home Phone _____

I plan to car-pool with _____

I can carry _____ canoes on my car.

MT. LE CONTE VIA CANNON CREEK, AUGUST 2-3, 1980

While traces of this past summer still linger, it is time to plan for next summer's creek trip.

I have made reservations for 13 persons at LeConte Lodge for Saturday night August 2. We will have the large lodge.

It's been several years since we've done Cannon Creek, and it beckons us back. It is the closest to the summit of those on the Greenbrier Cove side of the mountain. It's most spectacular feature is a high waterfall about halfway up. We like to eat lunch on the ledge halfway up the waterfall. This is also one of the steepest creeks between the falls and the summit, excepting Lester Prong that we did in 1978. All in all, it's a fine creek and, if we're lucky enough to have sunshine, a most beautiful one.

I have to turn in the full amount by November 1. Send me your check for \$19.08 each for the lodge (supper, lodging and breakfast). The first thirteen checks received will be honored.

Some day the program committee may like to schedule an evening of creek slides taken from our 10 or more consecutive years!

The trip is rated difficult. Stan Murray , Building 244

Mt. LeConte via Cannon Creek - August 2-3, 1980 - Stan Murray

Thirteen creek climbers met in Greenbrier Cove at the foot of Mt. LeConte in the Smokies at 8:00 a.m. on August 2: Terry, Pat and Tim Dougherty, Powell Foster, Tom Gatti, Ann and Clint Iles, Linda Jewell, Judy and Stan Murray, Gordon Newland, Taylor Pickard, and Paul Somers. Soon we were in Cannon Creek and enjoying the cool water around our legs and in our boots. Terry was seen to sit in a deep pool now and then. The sun was shining and the water low, ideal conditions for a creek trip. By early afternoon we arrived at the big falls; beyond it was one steep rock ascent after another till we arrived at the Boulevard Trail just under LeConte summit. A rare occurrence, we arrived in time for supper at the lodge. The sun set behind some distant clouds as we watched from Clifftop. Morning fog cancelled the sunrise. The Trillium Gap Trail then led us from the coolness of the mountain top to the heat of the valley and homeward.

AT Maintenance Section 1 (Spivey Gap to Nolichucky River) - Saturday, August 9, 1980

- Jack Young

On August 9, Frank Williams and Jack Young returned to AT Section 1 (Spivey Gap - Nolichucky River) to remove blow-downs left by recent storms. Several blow-downs were removed from the start of the trip at Spivey Gap to approximately one mile north of No Business Shelter. After this the blow-downs became more numerous and larger, forcing us to leave some of the larger ones, but we did manage to clean a path either around or under these. If this section is typical, then we have much work to do on the trail. (Incidentally, Frank Williams' name was omitted from the list of persons working this section on May 17th. Frank was very much with us and it is regretted his name was missing.)

Indian Grave Gap to Nolichucky River - August 9, 1980 - Collins Chew

Work Trip on Aug. 9th - Indian Grave Gap to Nolichucky River. Jud Barry, of Chattanooga, hiked 65 miles of our section and said the worst blowdowns from Nolichucky River to Hampton were between Curley Maple Gap and Indian Grave Gap. Six of us went out Saturday, August 9, 1980 and cut out many (at least 20) blowdowns and cleared the Trail. A swarm of hornets indicated they wanted one blowdown left as is and we complied with their wishes - only got one sting (Earl Brown). We also painted the blazes and thereby achieved a first for recent years. The entire TERC Hiking Club section - 125 miles - has been blazed and cleared all in one year. Workers were Earl Brown, Ralph Young, Doug Lowman, John Kiefer, Ben Pelot and Collins Chew.

CANOE TRIP NOTICE

French Broad River Class III (IV)

Sunday August 10, 1980

The French Broad River is a fast moving 8-mile run of Class II, III, and IV requiring high skill level in maneuverability. There are long rapids with high standing waves. The best rapid (or worst, depending on how you look at it) is the famous "Railroad Rapid" almost at the end of the run. This is definitely not a novice run! It is serious canoeing all the way. This run is for experienced paddlers and extra flotation is recommended.

Put in will be at Barnard, North Carolina (Walnut); take out will be at the bridge in Hot Springs.

Plan to meet at B-215 parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Plan to arrive back in Kingsport around 8:00 p.m.

Due to the unpredictable nature of the level and quality of the water on this river, preregistration is required.

TO: Gordon Porter, B-54D

Yes, I plan to go on the French Broad River Trip planned for August 10, 1980.

Names(s) _____

Telephone _____

HOME

WORK

If there is change on cancellation, you will be notified.



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TRIP NOTICE

"BEYOND 6000" HIKE

Deep Gap to Celo Knob

Saturday, August 16, 1980

The hike in the Black Mountains of North Carolina traverses three peaks over 6000 feet in elevation. They are Winterstar Mountain (6203 feet), Gibbs Mountain (6200 feet), and Celo Knob (6327 feet). Starting about 5 miles east of Pensacola, N.C., the trail climbs to Deep Gap along a rough jeep road part of the way. From the gap, the trail goes north along the ridge. To reach the top of Celo Knob may require bushwacking. Return from the Celo Knob area will also be along the jeep road. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, and a windbreaker. Depending upon our hour of return, we may stop for supper during the drive back to Kingsport.

When: Saturday, August 16, 1980

Distance: 8 miles

Elevation Gain: 2500 feet

Meeting Place: Parking lot in front of Building 215

Departure: 7:30 a.m.

Driving time: About 2 hours

Difficulty: Moderate to difficult

Contact: Doug Lowman (239-9701) for additional information.

Mount Celo via Deep Gap - August 16, 1980 - Doug Lowman

(Beyond 6000') Terry Good, Ralph Young, and Doug Lowman hiked to Deep Gap along an easily graded jeep road, under a rain threatening sky. The hike up to Winterstar Mountain was conducted in a downpour and heavy cloud cover. The remainder of the planned hike was cancelled due to the rain. The hike up the jeep road was made more enjoyable by the abundance of ripe, sweet blackberries. The hiking notice did not get out to the club members until the week after this hike, which explains the low number of participants.



TERC HIKING CLUB

Trip Notice

YELLOW MOUNTAIN - HUMP MOUNTAIN

OVERNIGHT BACKPACKING

Saturday/Sunday, August 23 and 24, 1980

For a relatively easy backpacking experience, join us on an overnight hike to Yellow Mountain in the Roan Mountain Range. Departure time will be 1:00 p.m., Saturday, August 23, with return mid-day Sunday. Walking distance will be about 3 miles each way. Sleeping conditions will be great on top of mile-high Yellow Mountain. You will cook your meals over an open fire. Driving distance will be 55 miles each way.

This should be considered an easy to moderate hike and should be ideal for families or couples who would like to try a new experience.

Participation will be by appointment only. Call Lewis Carson, 246-4880.

**NOTICE OF 1980 MULTI-CLUB MEET
AUGUST 30, 31 and SEPTEMBER 1, 1980**

The Annual Multi-Club Meet of the Southern Regional AT Clubs is scheduled for Georgia on Labor Day Weekend and the following invitation has been received by the TERC Hiking Club from Whit Benson of the Georgia AT Club:

" The 1980 Multi-Club Meet is being hosted by the Georgia Appalachian Trail Club and will be held at Unicoi State Park near the alpine village of Helen. Unicoi is on Ga. Rt. 356 in northeast Georgia and is within a few miles of the AT. It affords good access to a number of interesting sections of the trail including Blood Mountain, Tray Mountain and the proposed Raven Cliffs Wilderness.

Since this is the GATC's fiftieth anniversary, we are planning a theme centered around the history of the southern trail, which I think you will find interesting and informative.

In addition to our normal hiking activities, the Unicoi Staff has invited us to participate in the park activities which will include various types of mountain craft workshops for those who prefer not to spend the whole time hiking. Also swimming is available at a nominal fee at the Unicoi Lake.

Make your plans now to spend the Labor Day Weekend at the Multi-Club Meet in Georgia and help us celebrate our Golden Anniversary. Bring the family, we expect to have something for everyone.

If you have any slides of the past year's activities, please bring them along for everyone to enjoy.

Further details will be sent as they become firm."

We understand that a camping area has been designated at Unicoi State Park for use by those attending the Meet. Unicoi's Restaurant is open for three meals a day at reasonable prices. There is a lodge and cottages at Unicoi, but we do not know that space is available. Individuals or groups planning to go should contact Whit Benson, 3330 Davis Road, Marietta, GA 30062 or Unicoi State Park at Helen, GA 30545 (P. O. Box 256 - Phone 404-878-2201). Collins Chew and Dick Clark have copies of a brochure and map of Unicoi State Park and may be able to supply some additional information. Further news will be announced as available.

Multiclub Meeting - August 30-September 1, 1980 - Collins Chew

Six persons from TERC Hiking Club joined about 135 others in Unicoi State Park, GA., for the annual Multiclub Meeting of the Southern AT Clubs. Many old friendships were renewed and new friendships were made. Many valuable contacts were made for the Program for the ATC Meeting at Cullowhee, N.C., next year.

Featured programs included a somewhat long but fascinating account of the history of the Georgia AT Club on this their 50th anniversary. A featured guest was Gene Espy, who in 1951 became the second person to walk the AT in one year. He joined with several others of us for the 16.5 mile hike on the AT from Dicks Creek Gap to Unicoi Gap (4400' total climb) and told several fascinating stories of his long hike. A number of government agencies were represented and presented several programs. Plan to goin us next year when nearby Mt. Rogers AT Club hosts the meeting. The blueferries were great last time they hosted. Attending from TERC were Ray Hunt, Doug Lowman, Terry Good and Charlotte, Keron, and Collins Chew.



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BACKPACKING IN MAINE

September 5-14, 1980

The trip will require one week vacation. We will drive both ways. The backpack will be on the Appalachian Trail in Western Maine for 57 miles between Maine Highway 5 and Highway 27. It should be spectacular and will include Saddleback, the Bermis ranges, Sugarloaf, and Black Brook Notch. There will be a 3 mile stretch above timberline and the beautiful wilderness that is Maine. It will also be quite difficult, with steep climbs (total climbing over 16,000 ft.), rocks and bogs. We will be at shelters every night but one. We will carry food for the group. There will be two groups hiking in opposite directions. We will leave Friday night and spend two nights in Motels going up and two nights returning. The trip should cost about \$300.00. A few people want a longer trip and may do something else up there after the main group returns.

If interested return the attached form to Collins Chew, Building 71.

To: Collins Chew, Building 71

Yes, I am interested in the Maine Backpacking Trip (9/5-14/1980).
Please include me in notices and trip planning meetings.

Name

Bldg.

Home Telephone

Date

TRIP NOTICE

Canoeing - Nantahala River - Class II (III)

August 16-17, 1980

The Nantahala is the river "made for canoeist". It is a beautiful 8 mile run on a generally Class II river. The flow is "dam-controlled" and generally dependable. The water is crystal clear and very cold, year-round. U. S. Hwy 19 closely parallels the river for the entire run. There are two class III rapids, one at the very beginning called Patton's Run (low class III) and one at the end called Nantahala Falls (or Lesser Wesser), (high Class III). These may be omitted by anyone who so chooses without distracting from the remainder of the trip.

Trip participants need to be comfortable in continuous Class II water. Boat flotation is optional, but makes boat rescue more certain and damage less likely.

We will meet for the river trip at 9(30A.M., Sat., Aug. 16, at the river access area immediately upstream of the Nantahala Outdoor Center at Wesser, N.C., and proceed together about 8 1/2 mi. up U.S. 19 to the put-in. We should stay together on the river for mutual support and assistance. The flow is fast and the trip to the take-out is frequently made in 2 hrs., so we can make two runs on the same day, if desired.

Provide normal personal and safety equipment.

Accommodations

Camping is available at Lost Mine Campground and Brookside Campground in the area. Motel-like accommodations and restaurant are nearby at Nantahala Village. Nantahala Outdoor Center has a good restaurant.

(RESCHEDULED)

Nantahala River Canoe Trip, Rescheduled
for Sept. 13, 1980, was Aug. 16th

Due to several reliable reports of extreme overcrowding at the Nantahala on week-ends, the canoe trip originally scheduled for August 16, 1980 is being re-scheduled for September 13, 1980.

Information in the original notice is still applicable, except that the leader has learned of some improvements in the route from Kingsport to Wesser.

Contact Warren McLain, Ph. 288-5762 if you plan to participate, or for further information.

see back page for report...

Nantahala River Canoeing - September 13, 1980 - Warren McLain

We had six participants in five canoes for one of the most enjoyable canoe trips ever. The weather was perfect. TVA began generating about 11:00 a.m., with noon being about the earliest possible put-in time. We had plenty of time on Saturday morning for good food, good fellowship, and a leisurely drive up the river stopping to scout the rapids without water in them. Patton's Run looked downright intimidating without water to be so easy with water in it.

The run down the river was pure pleasure; no one went swimming unintentionally, and commercial rafters were only mildly annoying. Nantahala Falls was successfully run by three canoes. The others said they wanted to go swimming anyway.

Two of the restaurants in the immediate area were checked out and are recommended.

Participants were: Bob Seymour and Wes Wagner (C-2-0), Bruce Chamberlin, David Stalvey, Roger Green, and Warren McLain, (All C-1-0).

Trail of the Lonesome Pine

TRIP NOTICE

September 13, 1980

Lynn Coward, East Tennessee Trails Administrator, Division of Planning and Development, Tennessee Department of Conservation, is leading a hike on the Trail of the Lonesome Pine on Saturday, September 13, 1980

The hike will cover the section of trail from Highway 70 north to Looney's Gap. This seven mile section of trail is very rugged and scenic and requires about 6 hours to walk. There are many high rock bluffs and outcroppings along the way.

We will meet at the Orange Bowl Restaurant in Rogersville on Highway 66 at 8:30 A.M., Saturday, September 13. Everyone should bring a lunch and plenty of water.

Lynn's trails program is interested in making contact and hiking with area hiking clubs. He can be contacted at his Knoxville office at 588-7695.

To car pool from Kingsport contact Lewis Carson at 246-4880.

Maine Backpacking Trip - September 1980 - G. Newland

Two years ago I missed the Hiking Club's 88 mile trip on the Maine AT from Crawford Pond to the Kennebec River. After this year's trip from Andover to Carabassett, I stayed over to "catch up". Falsom's Flying Service picked me up at Pleasant Pond on Friday, Sept. 12 and deposited me on the beach at Crawford Pond about 6:00 P.M; it was a good camp site. The weather cooperated the next day and good views of Katadin were available from Hay Mountain. The weather for the rest of the trip alternated between heavy and light rain with brief periods of semi-sunshine. I hiked alone but usually had company at the shelters or campsites. Tuesday night at Shaw's Boarding House in Monson was enjoyable and Thursday afternoon, Sept. 18 found me back at the Kennebec. The toughest part of the trip was travel to and from Maine.

TEHC Appalachian Trail Conference Booth at Fort Henry Mall - Sept. 20-21, 1980

On September 20 and 21, members of TEHC constructed and staffed a display booth for the Appalachian Trail Conference at the annual Fort Henry Mall Merchants' Association Outdoorsman Show. The booth consisted of maps, books, brochures, slide show and other displays emphasizing the volunteer aspects of trail management and maintenance. Those helping out included Lewis Carson, Collins Chew, Terry Dougherty, Rick Phelps, Jeff Sirola, Jeff Vanderbilt, Frank Williams, and Vera Wortman.

TRIP NOTICE

LINVILLE GORGE WILDERNESS AREA

Saturday, September 20, 1980

A hike in the Linville Gorge Wilderness Area is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 20. The proposed hike will be from the Forest Service Road beyond Linville Falls, N.C. along a trail leading steeply down to the Linville River, along the river, and back to the road by a less precipitous trail, a distance of about 4 miles, with an estimated hiking time of 4-6 hours. Plan to leave the Bldg. 215 parking lot at 8 a.m., and bring along camera, rain gear, jacket, lunch, drinking water and sturdy hiking shoes. Depending on the size and desire of the group, a shorter route could be arranged, but as planned, it rates moderate. If time and weather allow, the group could drive on a couple of miles to Wiseman's View, which affords spectacular vistas. Driving distance from Kingsport is 75 miles (about 2 hours) each way. The plan is tentative because a Forest Service permit is required for each hiker using the wilderness area, including the names. Unless the district ranger and the hike leader can come to an agreement beforehand, the location may have to be changed. Please call the leader, Dick Clark, 246-6007 to indicate your desire to participate. Call as early as possible. There may be a limit of 10 persons permitted in the group.

FOR THE RECORD

AT Maintainance Trips-October 11 & 18, 1980 - Collins Chew

On October 11 (Saturday) two workers, Frank Williams and Jack Young spent the day at trail maintainance on the section of Nolichucky River to Spivey Gap (Section 1).

On October 18 (Saturday) three workers, Frank Williams, Richard Lowe, and Jack young did more work on this same section.

Additional blow downs left by a storm during late summer were removed. Most of the blow-downs were cleared from the Nolichucky River to Temple Hill Gap on Oct. 11 and then on Oct. 18, this section from Temple Hill Gap to No-Business Knob Shelter was cleared. This makes four trips this year on Section 1 (three for removal of the blow-downs) and leaves this section of trail in reasonably good condition.

Appalachian Trail Committee of TEHC semi-annual meeting - Sept. 25, 1980

Ray Hunt

On Sept. 25, 1980, the Appalachian Trail Committee of the Hiking Club held its semi-annual meeting with the Forest Service to discuss the status of projects related to the Trail. Representatives were present from the Unaka and Watauga Districts of the Cherokee National Forest. The Hiking Club's A.T. Committee was represented by Ray Hunt, Jeff Sirola, Collins Chew, Gordon Newland and Stan Murray.

Primarily we discussed the items that were on our respective work lists at the previous meeting in May of this year. We added some items to the list. We discussed other matters related to the Trail. The main discussion items were:

1. Major repair work, such as blowdowns, washouts, shelter repairs, and water bars.
2. Relocations to eliminate steep places.
3. Bridges.
4. New shelters.
5. Blocking of access by unauthorized vehicles.
6. Signs on the Trail.
7. Lumbering near the Trail.
8. Division of responsibilities between Cherokee and Pisgah Forests.
9. Use of buildings and pasture on newly acquired land.

There is a lot happening about the Appalachian Trail these days. Most of it is good progress. Some things are problems, and that is what meetings like this are meant to help with.

Trail of Lonesome Pine - September 25, 1980 - Gordon Newland

Those who did not go with Grodon Newland and Jeff Vanderbilt missed hiking in the first snow fall of the season.



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MT. LECONTE LODGE 1981

TRIP NOTICE

JUNE 6 and JULY 25

There are still some places available for the June 6th and July 25th Mt. LeConte Trip. The cost is \$23.85 per adult and \$15.90 per child under 10 yr.

If you would like to be among the limited number of people that are permitted to go to Mt. LeConte Lodge next year return the bottom of this notice to Terry Dougherty, B-150 with a check payable to TERC.

The trip leader and trail will be determined later.

To: TERRY DOUGHERTY, B-150

(1) _____ June 6, 1981 - Saturday

(2) _____ July 25, 1981 - Saturday

Name(s) _____

Telephone No. _____

Number of persons in party _____ and _____
adults children

Total \$ _____ enclosed I will be willing to lead hike _____
yes

MT. LE CONTE
Saturday, April 26, 1980
Saturday, September 27, 1980

A weekend on Mt. LeConte is a great experience. Reservations have been made for thirteen (13) beds on Saturday night, April 26, 1980 and thirteen (13) beds for the night of Saturday, September 27, 1980.

The fellowship of a weekend of hiking with meals and lodging furnished at the top of one of the Smokies highest mountains, is a memorable event.

The cost for a hardy supper, lodging in a small cabin, and a bountiful breakfast is \$19.08. A deposit of \$10.00 per person will reserve a plate and bed. This will be done on a first check received basis.

Send your check, made payable to Tennessee Eastman Hiking Club, to Lewis A. Carson, B284.

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Mt. LeConte Lodge Hike - September 27-28, 1980 - J. J. Vanderbelt

The fall Mt. Le Conte Lodge hike, September 27-28, began at the Cherokee Orchard parking lot. Temperatures were cool, and the sky was gray. The hike followed the Rainbow Falls trail to the summit. Fine views were afforded along the way at Rocky Spur, as well as, at Myrtle Point and Cliff Tops at the summit. Participants were served a hearty supper and an excellent breakfast at the Lodge. Intentions of watching the sun rise were thwarted by rain which accompanied the hikers all the way down via Bullhead trail to the parking lot. The real challenge of the trip still lay ahead, driving through Gatlinburg on Sunday afternoon. Participants on the trip were: Ben and Sunny Chaney, Earl and Raymond Brown, Linda and Rhea Robinson, Bob and Patti Hembre, Gary and Jeff Bridges, Linda, Brooke, and Jeff Vanderbilt.

BIG BALD OVERNIGHT
October 4 and 5 (Note Date Change)

Ah! Again I have been chosen to lead one of those overnight trips with the warm dry days, the cool crisp nights and a sky studded with stars.

Big Bald is, for those who have never been there, a superb example of the southern alpine meadow on bald for which this area is famous. Its crest offers a 360° view from an elevation of about 5500 feet. The hike in from Con Cove Gap via the Appalachian Trail is about 6 miles and the outward trip about 5 miles.

A study of the half year schedule shows that this overnight experience is sandwiched in between a high adventure (Mt LeConte) and a low adventure (Cumberland Caverns) during prime time in the fall. To the right of the trip name are some initials which stand for Hike Ratings and in absence of a key I will supply one.

HIKE RATING KEY

E is for entertaining
D is for delightful
ED is for especially delightful
MD is for magnificently delightful
EM is for especially muddy

This is an overnight trip (above ground) so I need to know in advance your intentions so transportation can be arranged. Plan to leave Kingsport at 8 a.m., Saturday, October 4th and return Sunday p.m., October 5th. The length of time allotted for the ascent should make the hike classification Moderate.

Each individual will be responsible for his (her) own food, tentage, sleeping gear, etc. Your trip director is Hugh Thompson 928-0472 (after 6 p.m. weekdays) in Johnson City.

TEHC MEETING - October 2, 1980 - Jeff Siirola

On October 2, Ten members of TEHC met to discuss the status of Appalachian Trail special maintenance projects and to plan for the removal of most major blowdowns from recent storms before winter. Members will hear more about this in the near future.

John Thompson Completes the Appalachian Trail - October 12, 1980 - Ray Hunt
On October 12, 1980, John Thompson became the first member of our hiking club to hike the entire Appalachian Trail. He did this on that day by hiking the ten miles between Moyers Campground and the village of Allen in southern Pennsylvania. This was a piece that John had missed five years ago when he was hiking with the group in our club that does a piece of the A.T. every year. It had never been convenient for him to do this ten-mile section as part of any other trip, so it required this special trip to do it.

We (John Thompson and Ray Hunt) drove up on Saturday and camped that night at Moyer Campground, cooking dinner and breakfast there. We hiked the ten miles on Sunday morning and drove back to Kingsport that day. That must surely set a record for the most amount of driving for a day of hiking. We drove 900 miles to hike 10 miles. A lot of people will say that we were crazy, but we don't think so. For John it was a matter of honor, to be able to say that he had hiked all of it, with none left out and no short-cuts taken.

We had good weather for the trip, and a good trail. It was cool and cloudy. Much of the trail has been relocated in the past few years to get it off of roads, and this has made it better. Somehow it seemed appropriate that this hike should include Center Point Hill, the original mid-point of the Appalachian Trail. Another highlight was to sample the water at Whiskey Spring. Disappointingly, it tasted like water. To make up for that, we ended the hike with a toast of wine. That helped make it what John called a satisfying and enjoyable hike.

Preliminary TRIP NOTICE

CUMBERLAND CAVERNS - October 18, 1980

This is novelty trip to the largest cave in Tennessee and one of the largest in the United States. It will consist of two parts (1) a tour of the commercial cave specializing in several very large rooms (2) a long trip through the wild part of the cave via the "historic" entrance. There will be crawling, walking, and perhaps a bit of climbing. I took this trip many years ago when it was all wild Higginbotham Cave and it was really a special trip. We will drive to McMinnville, Tenn. (500 miles round trip) on Saturday, eat supper there and take our sleeping bags, lights, etc. into the cave. We will take our tours in the evening, spend the night in the cave, eat breakfast in the cave and return to Kingsport on Sunday. I made 15 reservations and need to know how many will go. (We can probably take more people). The tour and breakfast is \$6.50. This is a very interesting and different trip. The minimum age is 12 but older youngsters should really enjoy it. If interested please send the attached reservation form to Collins Chew.

To: Collins Chew, Bldg. 71

I am interested in the Spelunking trip to Cumberland Caverns on October 18, 1980. Please send me follow-up information.

Name(s)

location

No. in party

date

Again.....Let us remind you of the Fall Hiking Club Dinner (Pot Luck) at TEC Cabin, Bays Mtn. Sunday Night, November 2, 1980, 5:00 p.m.
It's not too late to get your reservations in to Paulette Byrd, B-150B.

FOR THE RECORD

Cumberland Caverns Overnight - October 18-19, 1980 - Collins Chew

Fifteen TERC Hiking Club folks joined about 60 others (mostly scouts) in Cumberland Caverns on Saturday evening for a "different" experience. We toured the "commercial" cave first with its very large rooms and developments with light and sound. Then we went back out of the cave and hiked a mile (after dark) to the original small opening to Higginbotham Cave. Next was a one mile wild cave trip where we carried our lights and walked, climbed ladders, and crawled through all sizes and shapes of passages ending up in the commercial cave section where we started. There were snacks and entertainment about midnight - cartoons, a slide show of the 26 miles of Cave we didn't get to explore, and a ghost story. We then unrolled our sleeping bags in the "Big Room" of the Cave for spending the night. Only a small portion of the big room was used for sleeping and we didn't begin to fill that portion. Cumberland Caverns furnished breakfast and we returned to Kingsport. It was a very pleasant trip.

Cavers were Ray Hunt, Tom Pridgeon, Kay Newell, Greg Kramer, John Bailey, Paul, Chris and Cindy Miller, Ken Hatfield, Doug Lowman, John Kirby, Mike Fugate, Ben and Clay Pellot and Collins Chew



TERC HIKING CLUB

TOE RIVER CANOE TRIP rescheduled for OCTOBER 18
Originally scheduled for October 26

The Toe River Canoe Trip scheduled for October 26 has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 18. The Toe is the main tributary of the Nolichucky and is located in Mitchell County, N.C. This trip will be about 10 miles of mostly class II water. There are a couple of class III rapids and also a flat stretch of about 2 miles. Paddlers that attended the canoe school should be able to handle this section of river without any difficulty.

Meet at 8:00 A.M. in B-215 parking lot. Bring lunch, rain gear and necessary canoe equipment. We should arrive back in Kingsport about 6:00 P.M.

For more information call Dave Ingram, home 282-5856 or work 246-7171, ext. 20. If you plan to go please complete the form below and return it to Gordon Porter Bldg. 54D, TEC. If there is a cancellation you will be notified.

To: Gordon Porter, Bldg. 54D

_____ I plan to paddle the Toe River October 18.

Name(s) _____

Home phone _____

TRIP NOTICE

Trail of Lonesome Pine
October 25, 1980

This is a short afternoon hike in the autumn, leaving B-215 parking lot at 1:00 P.M. and returning at about 6:00 P.M. We will hike the section of the trail from TN-VA line to Big Rock and return the same way. Dress for the weather, bring as much water as you intend to drink.

For further information contact Gordon Newland at 246-8845.

COMING EVENT

FALL DINNER MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 1980

Be sure to reserve Sunday, November 2, 1980 for the annual Hiking Club Fall dinner meeting at the Eastman Cabin. We are planning a social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. Dinner will be at six, followed by a program of Mt LeConte creek climb hike slides from the past 10 years. This years meal will feature favorite dishes from East Tennessee and indeed from all over the world. We'll beat inflation and enjoy excellent food by having a potluck dinner. More details and a reservation form will be mailed to you later.

Plan to come early and enjoy a hike in the park. This is an excellent time to introduce fellow hikers, friends and neighbors to the hiking club. Feel free to bring them along to the dinner meeting.

- REMINDER -

Don't forget the TEHC Fall Dinner Meeting, November 2, 1980, Sunday night at the TEC Cabin, Bays Mt.

Hike and/or Social Hour - 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Dinner (Potluck) - 6:00 p.m.
Meeting and Slide show - 7:00 p.m.

For additional information call Lynn and Paulette Rvrd at 239-9910

TERC HIKING CLUB

ANNUAL FALL DINNER MEETING - Sunday, November 2, 1980

This is an excellent opportunity to introduce friends to hiking and to our club. Plan now to bring your family and guest and come out to the Fall Dinner Meeting.

Date: November 2, 1980 (Sunday)

Place: Eastman Cabin, Bays Mountain

5:00 p.m. : Social Hour (Hot and cold refreshments available)
Hiking Bays Mountain - Lester Church will lead a short hike for all interested children and adults. The Bays Mt. Trail is beautiful in the Fall.

6:00 p.m. : Dinner - "Pot-Luck"

Displays at the Cabin: Club Hiking and Camping Equipment available for loan

Club Library Material and Maps available for loan

Hiking Club Scrapbook of past events

Photos of various hikes

7:00 p.m. : Annual Fall Meeting - Terry Dougherty

Presentation of Awards - Collins Chew

A Report on the status of relocations, and maintenance of the AT - Collins Chew

Slide Program: "Mt. LeConte Creek Climb Hikes from the past 10 years"-
Stan Murray

DINNER PLANS

This will be a cooperative pot-luck dinner, so make or buy your favorite dishes to share with the group. For dinner reservations, clip and mail this notice before October 28.

To: Paulette Byrd
TEC, Bldg. 150B or 507 Canton Rd., Bowery Hills, Kingsport, TN 37663

Please include \$1.00 for each adult attending to cover cost of social hour refreshments. Please set _____ places for me and my guests. \$ _____ amount enclosed. I plan to bring the following food (check two)*

Name		Telephone No.
_____ Meat dish (for 6)	_____ Bread (for 30)	_____ Coffee, Tea, Lemonade,
_____ Vegetable dish (for 8)	_____ Dessert (for 12)	Napkins, Lemon, Sugar,
_____ Salad (for 8)		Cream, Butter, Toothpicks.
		(We'll let you know later)

*Note - Food quantities shown are based on approximately equal costs for two persons eating. If your party has more or fewer than two persons, then increase or decrease amounts accordingly. If we have too much of some items, we'll call to suggest others.



TERC HIKING CLUB

TRIP NOTICE - Hanging Rock
November 8, 1980

This is a short afternoon hike to a 5200' rock outcropping situated within the triangle of Grandfather, Sugar and Beech Mountains, and with panoramic views of all this area. A previous hike approached from the Southwest, but the scouting trip found this route undesirable due to the Seven Devils housing development. Permission of the property owner has been obtained for an approach from the Northeast. Hiking distance less than five miles, 1000' climb, driving distance round trip 128 miles. Leave from Building 215 parking lot at 1 p.m. Dress according to the weather, remembering it may be cold and windy at 5200'. For further information contact Frank Oglesby, 245-5447.

Appalachian Trail Hike and Blowdown Party - Saturday
December 13, 1980

This hike will be an easy six miles along the AT from Cross Mountain to Holston Mountain. The leaves will be off the trees and we should get good views. We will take bow saws and cut out some blowdowns, but if you just want to go for the walk, you are welcome. If more than four or five want to go we may split into groups as there are several sections which have many blowdowns from the summer storms.

Bring plenty of warm clothes and rain gear, lunch, canteen, hat, gloves. You must be prepared for severe weather. The trip will be cancelled if the roads are icy.

Please let me know if you plan to go as I need to plan tools and cars if we can do more than one section.

We will meet at Bldg. 215, TEC, at 8:00 a.m. and return before dark. Round trip drive is 100 miles.

For information, call Collins Chew at 239-6237

To: Collins Chew, Bldg. 71

I plan to go on the hike/blowdown removal trip on December 13, 1980.

I will help clean blowdowns_____.

I prefer just to go for the hike_____.

Name(s)

Telephone No.

FOR THE RECORD

John Thompson Completes the Appalachian Trail - October 12, 1980 - Ray Hunt
On October 12, 1980, John Thompson became the first member of our hiking club to hike the entire Appalachian Trail. He did this on that day by hiking the ten miles between Moyers Campground and the village of Allen in southern Pennsylvania. This was a piece that John had missed five years ago when he was hiking with the group in our club that does a piece of the A.T. every year. It had never been convenient for him to do this ten-mile section as part of any other trip, so it required this special trip to do it.

We (John Thompson and Ray Hunt) drove up on Saturday and camped that night at Moyer Campground, cooking dinner and breakfast there. We hiked the ten miles on Sunday morning and drove back to Kingsport that day. That must surely set a record for the most amount of driving for a day of hiking. We drove 900 miles to hike 10 miles. A lot of people will say that we were crazy, but we don't think so. For John it was a matter of honor, to be able to say that he had hiked all of it, with none left out and no short-cuts taken.

We had good weather for the trip, and a good trail. It was cool and cloudy. Much of the trail has been relocated in the past few years to get it off of roads, and this has made it better. Somehow it seemed appropriate that this hike should include Center Point Hill, the original mid-point of the Appalachian Trail. Another highlight was to sample the water at Whiskey Spring. Disappointingly, it tasted like water. To make up for that, we ended the hike with a toast of wine. That helped make it what John called a satisfying and enjoyable hike.

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T-25370 Paulette Byrd