

# **TERC HIKING CLUB SCHEDULE** **July-December, 1981**

	DATE		TRIP	HIKE RATING	LEADER
July 11-12	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Mt. LeConte Creek Hike	D	Stan Murray
July 18-19	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Mt. Mitchell to CELO Backpack (Beyond 6000)	D	Collins Chew
July 25-26	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Mt. LeConte Lodge Trip	M	T. Dougherty
Aug. 1-9	—	9 days	Uinta Mountains, Utah	D	Jeff Siirola
Aug. 15	Sat.	Evening	Grassy Ridge by Moonlight	E	Lewis Carson
Sept. 5-7	Sat.-Mon.	3 days	Multi-Club Meet, Mt. Rogers	E-D	—
Sept. 11-22	—	12 days	AT — Maine — N.H.	D	Collins Chew
Sept. 13	Sun.	1 day	AT — Cross Mountain	E	Doug Lowman
Sept. 19-20	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	Smoky Mtn. Backpack	M	Jeff Vanderbilt
Oct. 4	Sun.	1 day	AT — Iron Mtn. — Indian Grave Gap	M	Doug Lowman
Oct. 10-11	Sat.-Sun.	2 days	AT — Carvers Gap — 19E	M	John Thompson
Oct. 18	Sun.	1/2 day	Hilton Fire Tower	E	Gordon Newland
Oct. 25	Sun.	1/2 day	Chimney Top	M	David Attride
Nov. 1	Sun.	1/2 day	Cabin Dinner Mtg.	Fun	—
Nov. 7	Sat.	1 day	Grandfather Mtn.	M	Kirk Finch
Dec. 12	Sat.	1 day	AT — Blowdown Clearing	E-D	Collins Chew

## **CANOE SCHEDULE**

July 11	Sat.	1 day	Nolichucky, Below Gorge	I-II	B. Crawford
July 25	Sat.	1 day	North Fork Holston River, Hiltons to Wadlow Gap Road	I (II)	B. Thompson
Aug. 8 or 9	Sat. or Sun.	1 day	French Broad R. Barnard to Hot Springs, N.C.	II-IV	P. Darling
Aug. 22	Sat.	1 day	Watauga River, below Wilbur Dam	I-II	D. Ingram
Sept. 12-13	Sat. & Sun.	2 days	Nantahala River	II-III	R. Phelps
Sept. 26	Sat.	1 day	Laurel Creek/South Fork Holston River (Damascus, VA)	II-III	W. McLain
Oct. 10 or 11	Sat. or Sun.	1 day	Nolichucky — Gorge	III-IV	P. Darling
Oct. 24-25	Sat. and Sun.	2 days	Chattooga	III-IV (V)	G. Porter

## **FUTURE HIKES — TENTATIVE PLANNING**

August, 1982	9 days	AT — White Mtns. — N. H., 52 Miles	D	Collins Chew or Gordon Newland
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TERC HIKING CLUB

# Cullowhee '81

Coming to Cullowhee? Then you need to know that this is a college town located in the Southern Appalachians. Don't expect to find anything there except Western Carolina University, the home of our Conference, "Cullowhee '81." It's not a city with the hectic pace of city life.

You will find it a place where you can find company when you want it, solitude when you need it and spectacular mountains when you feel like looking around. The University was founded in 1889 and is one of 16 campuses of the University of North Carolina system. The campus of 400 acres lies in the beautiful Valley of the Tuckasegee River in Jackson County, N.C. The Great Smoky Mountains Na-

tional Park and the Blue Ridge Parkway are nearby.

During the week of hiking activities following the Conference weekend you will have an opportunity to explore our woods, our mountains. So don't forget your backpack and hiking equipment when you come to Cullowhee, and be sure to bring a tent if you are planning on taking one of the backpacking trips. There are also lakes and streams nearby for fishing and swimming and plenty of white water for canoeing. For those of you who play tennis or jog or play football, basketball, volleyball, golf, or whatever, you can find it here. Hope you all can come on down to Cullowhee and join us in the fun.

## REGISTRATION AND GENERAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

**REGISTRATION.** To insure accommodations, the registration form should be postmarked no later than May 29, 1981. There is no guarantee that late registrants can be accommodated. Refunds can be made for fees except registration fees if the request is received on or before JUNE 26, 1981 by the Division of Continuing Education, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, N.C. 28723. Tel. 704-227-7397.

Requests for either specific or general information should be sent to: Jim Botts, Chairman, Cullowhee '81, Route 3, Hwy #95, Lenoir City, Tennessee 37771. You must include your return address and telephone number.

**MEALS.** All meals will be served cafeteria style in the campus cafeteria at a cost of \$6.85 for the three meals per day per person. Special dinners are planned for Saturday and Sunday for the entire group. The cost of these dinners will be \$5 per person per dinner. For those who purchase a meal ticket for the entire day, \$2.40 will be added to the regular \$6.85 charge, making the Saturday and Sunday three-meal cost \$9.25 per person per day. Separate prices for individual meals are:

Breakfast only, \$2.00

Lunch only, \$2.75

Dinner only, \$2.85 (except Saturday and Sunday, which are \$5.00 each)

Sack lunches can be provided for day hikes during the post-conference activities at a cost of \$2.00 per lunch. If you plan to attend the Life Member Dinner on Friday, June 26, or the 2,000-Miler Dinner on Saturday, June 27, do not check the dinner meal for these days.

**SPECIAL EVENTS.** In an attempt to recognize two special groups of ATC members we are offering two special events. We realize the potential of these groups of hikers and hope that through this recognition they will become more active in Conference affairs. The Conference life members will have a dinner on Friday, June 26, and the 2,000-milers will get together on Saturday, June 27, also for a dinner. Please indicate on the registration form your desire to attend these dinners.

**LODGING.** All participants can be lodged in Scott Hall or Walker Hall on the campus. Single rooms are \$10.00 per person per night or \$50.00 per person per 7-day week. Double rooms are \$7.00 per person per night or \$35.00 per person per 7-day week. Each room is furnished with 2 single beds, 2 desks and chairs and an overhead light. Each person will receive one pillow, one blanket, linens, and wash cloth. You may wish to bring an extra blanket, pillow, lamp, fan, coat hangers, alarm clock, umbrella, flashlight, soap and other toilet articles. Children may sleep in the room at no extra charge so you may want to bring a sleeping bag or cot for your child. Coin-operated laundry facilities, vending machines, studies, television lounges, and pay phones are easily accessible in each hall.

**TRANSPORTATION.** Cullowhee is located 7 miles south of Sylva on N.C. Route 107. From Asheville, N.C., take I-40 West to Exit 19-A/23 to Sylva, then 107 South to Cullowhee. From Atlanta, Ga., take I-85 north to 441 North. Stay on 441 North to Sylva and then 107 South. From Charlotte, N.C., take I-85 South to Spartanburg, S.C., to I-26 West to Asheville. From Knoxville, Tenn., take 441 South through Cherokee, then 19-A to Sylva.

**Commercial Transportation.** Asheville, N.C. is the nearest commercial airport. You will then need to take a Carolina Trailways Bus to Sylva (approximately 60 miles). In Asheville, phone 704-253-5353. There are also taxi companies in Sylva, which are open only during the day.

**Hospitality Committee.** The Hospitality Committee will arrange for special transportation from the Asheville airport and the bus terminals in Asheville and Sylva. You will be contacted later with exact pickup times and places. Return trips will be arranged at the Conference. There will be a nominal charge for the service, payable upon pickup.

**MAIL.** You may have mail sent to you c/o Appalachian Trail Conference, Division of Continuing Education, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, N.C. 28723.

**INFIRMARY.** Participants may visit the Graham Infirmary on the campus at no charge. Children must be accompanied by a parent. The C. J. Harris Hospital is located seven miles from the campus in Sylva.

**RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.** Reid Gym offers game rooms, tennis and racquet ball courts, a swimming pool, weight room, gymnasium and a small bowling alley. Use of these facilities will depend upon availability.

**CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES.** WCU's library, art gallery, plays, concerts and Mountain Heritage are available for participants.

### OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATIONS.

If you prefer to stay off campus the following accommodations are available within the Cullowhee area. Details concerning these facilities are available upon request (see requests for information above). It is suggested that you make your reservations early in the year as these facilities are very much in demand during the summer.

### I. Commercial Campgrounds:

**Adventure Trail Campground** — Box 557, Cherokee, N.C. 28719; located 18 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/497-3651.

**Fort Tatham** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 16 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-6662.

**Lake Toohow** — Dillsboro, N.C. 28779; located 9 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-5471.

**Singing Waters** — Tuckasegee, N.C. 28781; located 12 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/293-5872.

**Ralph J. Andrews Park** — Contact the Jackson County Recreation and Parks Dept.; located 14 miles from Cullowhee.

### II. Motels:

**Forest Hills Country Club and Motor Lodge** — Cullowhee, N.C. 28723; located 1½ miles from center of University campus; Ph. 704/293-5442.

**Hamilton Motel** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 5 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-2051.

**The Mountain Motel** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 18 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-4320.

**Town House Motor Court** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 7 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-2123.

**Sylva Motor Court** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 7 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-2419.

**Woodland Motel** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 10 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-4331.

### III. Cottages:

**Hamilton Cottages** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 5 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-2051.

**Mountain Brook Cottages** — Sylva, N.C. 28779; located 10 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/586-4329.

**Lake Shore Lodge** — Cashiers, N.C. 28717; located 17 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/743-3365.

### IV. Primitive Camping:

For those of you who prefer to tent camp, we have available areas suitable for primitive camping at a cost of \$3.50 per person per night. Facilities include water sources and portable toilets. These areas are close to the campus and are located in remote, scenic areas. You will find also tent sites at the following campgrounds listed previously: Lake Toohow, Fort Tatham, Adventure Trail, and Singing Waters. The Jackson County Ralph J. Andrews Park also has tent sites available for \$2.00 per night.

### Old Hotels and Inns

Few institutions have endured the process of our country's development like American country inn and hotels. Basically they've remained the same for 100 years or more. Most of them are still family owned and operated. They reflect the character, style and personality of the innkeeper and take pride in getting to know their guests. Their appearance is inviting and appeals to gentle sensibilities. Most often the food is prepared from scratch and features dishes of local and regional flavor. Pride begins in their kitchens.

In the best tradition of the old family inn and Southern hospitality the Cullowhee area is rich indeed. There are many such places here where you get introduced to everyone else, where you can fill your days with the woods or just sit and look at the mountains or read and be quiet. These are places where "it's just folks being folks." We invite you to visit for a few minutes or many days with the folks at the following "Old Hotels and Inns." Your life will be much richer because of it.

**Balsam Mountain Inn** — This old country inn was built in 1906 and still offers a truly restful atmosphere of the yesteryear. You will find 20 beautiful acres to roam over at your leisure. Located 16 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/456-9498.

**Fairfield Inn** — This is a fantastic old Victorian inn offering rooms, rustic cottages and luxurious villas. Located in beautiful Sapphire Valley on Sapphire Lake near Cashiers, N.C., 24 miles from Cullowhee; Ph. 704/743-3441.

**High Hampton Inn** — This rustic, aesthetically beautiful, country inn is over 100 years old. Sitting at an elevation of 3,600 feet this inn was once the summer home of Wade Hampton of South Carolina historical fame. It still retains the atmosphere of a former era. Located 22 miles from Cullowhee, 1 mile south of Cashiers, N.C.; Ph. 704/743-2411.

**Highlands Inn** — This inn is also 100 years old and offers good country food served elegantly along with old, elegant accommodations. Located on the main street in Highland, N.C., it is one of its oldest buildings. Ph. 704/526-9380.

**Phelps House** — Located also on the main street in Highlands, it, too, is over 100 years old. It is noted for its food, especially an elaborate Sunday smorgasbord. An interesting place, seasonally decorated, with many antique furnishings. Ph. 704/526-9590.

**Jarret House** — This charming old inn is located in Dillsboro, only 12 miles from Cullowhee, and is one of the oldest inns in Western North Carolina. It has a ninety-year reputation for good homestyle food and family-style service and accommodations. It has seen the days when guests arrived in horse-drawn buggies and wood-burning passenger trains. The hallmark of this inn has been the serving of country ham, red-eye gravy and hot buttermilk biscuits. It is characteristic for the huge porches built to accommodate dozens of rocking chairs suited for "comers and stayers." Ph. 704/586-9964.

**Kings Inn** — Located in Highlands, 31 miles from Cullowhee. This inn is attractively and comfortably furnished in antiques. Rooms in private cottages are available, some with open fire places.

**Lee's Inn** — Also located in Highlands, 31 miles from Cullowhee. This inn has a dining room famous for its buffet Thursday evening and Sunday noon which has been featured in General Motor's "Friend of the Motorist" "Times" and "Southern Living" magazines. Ph. 704/526-2171.

**Hemlock Inn** — This is a very comfortable resort inn located in one of the smaller ranges of the Great Smokies. A rustic place without fancy frills with an atmosphere almost like visiting relatives. Meals, served around Lazy Susan tables, are a wonderful example of Southern cooking at its best. People wander in and sit behind their chairs while the innkeeper blesses. Ph. 704/488-9820.

As one of the five Southernmost Appalachian Trail Clubs sponsoring Cullowhee '81, TERC Hiking and Canoeing Club has put together a program of informative panel discussions and workshops. The titles of these sessions are listed below:

### Panel Discussions

Friday evening, Saturday evening, and Sunday evening, June 26-28. (For more information, contact Bob Casper)

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| 1. Recreation Conflict and Trespass on the AT | 4. Management Plans for the AT   |
| 2. Timber Management in the AT Corridor       | 5. The Use of Structures Acquired as a Result of the AT Land Acquisition Program |
| 3. Cooperative Agreements                     | 6. Government and Club-Conference Relations                                      |

### Workshops

Saturday afternoon, Sunday morning and afternoon, June 27-28. (For more information, contact Doug Lowman)

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| 1. Design and Layout of AT Relocations  | 14. Trail Liabilities                                 |
| 2. Trail Construction Methods   | 15. On-The-Trail Education                            |
| 3. Planning and Construction of Water Bars, and Rock and Log Steps                | 16. Trail Use Information                             |
| 4. Trail Maintenance on the Appalachian Trail                                     | 17. Management of Balds                               |
| 5. Litter Control and Garbage Collection Along the Appalachian Trail              | 18. An Ethic for The Appalachian Trail Lands          |
| 6. Design of Modular Shelters   | 19. Appalachian Trail Public Relation Presentations   |
| 7. Paint Blazing for the Appalachian Trail  | 20. Effective Club Communications and Publications    |
| 8. Recruiting and Sustaining the Volunteer Effort                                 | 21. The Backpacker and His Equipment                  |
| 9. Land Management Planning   | 22. Modern Hiking and Camping Equipment               |
| 10. Visual Management   | 23. Basic First Aid Care                              |
| 11. Environmental Impacts on the Appalachian Trail - How Much Impact is Too Much? | 24. Hypothermia and Heat Exhaustion First Aid         |
| 12. Monitoring the Appalachian Trail Corridor                                     | 25. Poisonous Snakes - Their Bites and Treatment      |
| 13. Protection Tools Other Than Fee Simple Ownership                              | 26. Planning a Long Term Backpack Trip                |
|   | 27. Map Making Techniques of the PATC                 |
|   | 28. Planning, Preparing, and Enjoying Trailside Meals |
|   | 29. Dehydrating Foods at Home                         |







## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

CARPOOLING FOR CULLOWHEE '81

June 26 - July 3

As announced previously, the biannual conference of the ATC will be in Cullowhee, N.C., June 26 to July 3, 1981. Contact Doug Lowman if you plan to attend the conference and either would be willing to take a rider or want a ride for the weekend activities (June 26-28). He will try to arrange carpools whenever feasible. Contact Doug at 812 Kendrick Creek Road, Kingsport, TN 37663.

CANOEING AT CULLOWHEE '81

June 26-July 3

Hiking club members who attend the Appalachian Trail Conference meeting at Cullowhee, N.C. should know that Cullowhee is "canoe country".

The Tuckasegee River runs through Cullowhee, and provides class I, II, III rapids on various sections. Canoe trips on the Tuckasegee are included in the planned activities for the meeting.

The Nantahala, Little Tennessee, Soco Creek are among other whitewater streams in the immediate area.

Cullowhee Outfitters, an outpost of Nantahala Outdoor Center is located in Cullowhee, and Nantahala Outdoor Center is on the Nantahala River on U.S. Hwy 19 at Wesser, just south of Bryson City, N.C. Both locations provide canoe rentals, and Cullowhee Outfitters say that daily guided and self-guided canoe trips will be available throughout the summer.

Paddlers will want to bring their own canoes.

The 1981 Whitewater Open Canoe National Championship Races and Slalom Competition will be held on the Nantahala River, June 29-30, July 1, where some of the best open canoe paddlers in the country can be seen in competition.

Contact Jeff Sirola, Doug Lowman, Stan Murray, Darrol Nickels and Warren McLain for information on Cullowhee '81!!!!!! Don't miss this!!!

## FOR THE RECORD

### Linville Gorge Wilderness, April 25, 1981 - Dick Clark

A combination of favorable factors: perfect weather, incomparable scenery, spring flowers and tree blossoms at a peak, and exciting and varied trails made this a nearly perfect hiking expedition for 22 enthusiastic people. As advertised, the gorge of the Linville River is one of eastern America's most scenic and rugged gorges and its primitive beauty convinced us that the designation by Congress as a wilderness area is appropriate. The hiking was not too rugged, however, but about the right degree of challenge for this group of mainly "amateur" hikers.

We hiked with permits provided by the US Forest Service and, because of restricted use requirements for the trails, we formed into two separate groups, each group taking different trails of about 4-5 miles. In one group was Kirk and Barbara Finch, Clint and Ann Iles, Owen Holbrook and daughter, Dave Olsen, Joel Youngblood, and Witt Langstaff. The other group was made up of Darrel and Lona Wilder, Steve and Barbara Nyasady, Dick Clark, Mike Idacavage, Doug Lowman, Kevin Edgar, Eric Middlemas, Linda Jewell, Bob Mynhier, Alan Duffield, and Bill Dickason.

### Amateur Overnight Backpacking Hike Report - Bays Mountain - Feagin's Gap Primitive Camping Area - 3 p.m., May 16, 4 p.m. May 17, 1981 - Lewis and Doris Carson

We had our largest group yet - 18 hikers - on what is becoming an annual trek to our in-town instant wilderness on Bays Mountain. Weather was delightful for our 2-hour hike, lady's slippers and wild geraniums were still in bloom, and the mix of ages (8 children from 5-13 years old, 10 adults of undetermined years) even more delightful. Menus included steak, barbecued pork chops, corn-on-the-cob, baked potatoes, chili, hot dogs, and a heap of marshmallows as high as a tent pole.

Lulled to sleep by the whippoorwills were Bill Chase and son Mark, Larry Holloway and son Bryan, Don and Ruth Kreh and four offspring (Melinda, Kris, Alyson and Rachel), John and Ann Scott, children John and Ann Marie, Paula Pennington and July Rosenthal, and annual leaders Lewis and Doris Carson.

### A.T. - Nelan Shelter Work Trip - May 2, 1981 - John Thompson

This, the third group trip, was conducted by Doug Lowman, Bob Mynhier, Darrol Nickels, Jeff Sirola, Jeff Vanderbilt and John Thompson. The day was cool and windy with broken clouds, which stimulated considerable work such as: falling several trees, cutting and peeling shelter logs from said trees, carrying logs to shelter site (tough!), digging large rocks for foundation and selecting corners for shelter. We're on schedule but will need additional workers in June and July and invite you to join us (send form to Jeff Sirola or John Thompson and you will be contacted).

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I would like to join a work group for the Nelan Shelter - Please contact me:

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Name(s)

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Telephone No.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

BACKPACK - MT MITCHELL to CELO (Beyond 6000)  
July 18-19, 1981

This overnight backpacking trip will traverse the highest ridge in Eastern America and we should enjoy fine views, the northern type biota, cool summer temperatures and perhaps some raspberries - The trip was really planned as a training hike for the Fall AT trip to Maine. The short, steep ascents and descents, muddy and rocky spots, and the spruce-fir woods resemble the Maine AT much more than any other near-by trail. It will be difficult. We will climb 8 of the Beyond 6000 peaks. The trip will start and end at the parking lot at Mt. Mitchell. We will hike to the area of Mt. Celo and camp in tents on Saturday night and return to Mt. Mitchell on Sunday, July 19, 1981. The elevations will be between 5700 ft and 6684 ft. Supper and breakfast will be provided for those who wish to share the meals. We will divide transportation and meal costs and community equipment weight. Two lunches, raingear, canteen, tent and other backpack gear will be required. I will provide a suggested equipment list for anyone who wants one.

#### Trip Statistics

Driving distance roundtrip	250 miles
Hiking distance roundtrip	14 miles
Total climbing and descending	5300 feet
Departure time	8:00 A.M.
Departure Date	Saturday, July 18, 1981
Meeting place	Building 215 parking lot
Return before 7:00 P.M., Sunday July 19, 1981	

Reservations are necessary by July 10.  
Send to Collins Chew, Building 66, TEC, telephone 239-6237

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Reservation for Mt. Mitchell - Celo backpack.

To: Collins Chew, B-66, TEC

I would like to go on the Mt. Mitchell-Celo backpack - July 18-19, 1981.

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Name(s)

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Telephone No.





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### TRIP NOTICE

CHATTOOGA RIVER - Sat. & Sun., June 27-28, 1981  
Sections III & IV

This is a run for the experienced intermediate or better paddler. Current plans are to run Section III on Saturday and Section IV on Sunday. Sec. III is a 13 mile run of mostly class II and III rapids with one class IV (Bull Sluice). Sec. IV is much tougher. 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.

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.

If you plan to attend, please pre-register on the following form and send it to Gordon Porter, B-54D. If there is a change in plans or a cancellation, only those who have pre-registered will be notified.

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To: Gordon Porter, B-54D, TEC

I plan to go on the Chattooga River Trip planned for June 27-28, 1981.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to car-pool with \_\_\_\_\_

I can carry \_\_\_\_\_ canoes on my car.



JOIN THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE! Most of us join a variety of organizations and subscribe to a number of magazines related to hiking, conservation and wild-life. These are worthy projects but what is MORE worthy of your support than the ATC, the organization which coordinates the AT-maintaining clubs and promotes the role of the volunteer trail maintainer?

Your membership dues will not only provide financial support to the ATC but will also give you discounts on ATC publications, a free subscription to the Trailway News and a lower registration fee for the meeting of the Conference this June at Cullowhee, N.C. Contact Jeff Sifrola or Ray Hunt for an ATC membership application.

#### FOR THE RECORD

Nelan Shelter Work Trip, May 25, 1981 - John Thompson

Six of us cut and peeled trees for 14 rafters and six wall logs on a nice hot day under broken clouds - a fitting Memorial Day. We had trouble getting a 9 in. diameter poplar to fall due to surrounding trees, but finally did so with a rope after wedging out the butt several feet sideways.

Those making the trip were Lester Church, Gordon Newland, Darrol Nickels, Jack Young and John Thompson.

Canoe School - May 29 & 30, 1981 - J. T. Dougherty

This was a record setting canoe school this year. Some of the things that make this year's school special are that it was the largest group (21 boats) in one class that I can remember, the longest time spent on the river, the most upsets, the greatest number of pinned canoes, the most bent canoes and bodies, the most upsets at one time (five overturned canoes at the same time), the most water snakes in canoes, and the least amount of refreshments consumed at the end of the trip. In addition to all these fun things we had a thunderstorm near the end of the trip as darkness was falling. Also, some of our cars were blocked in a church parking lot so that we had to wait until the church meeting was over. The scheduled class for Sunday was cancelled because just about everything that can happen on a canoe trip happened on Saturday and most people said they got their three dollar's worth in just one day. All this fun took place in, around, and on (sometimes under) the Elk River in Carter County.

LeConte Lodge Trip - June 6-7, 1981 - Tom Pridgen

Despite pouring rain during the entire drive to Gatlinburg, sixteen hikers assembled at Newfound Gap to hike the Boulevard Trail under an overcast but rainless sky. Weather cooperating, we reached the lodge in time to avert another downpour and to satisfy some growing appetites. Camaraderie and high spirits prevailed, oblivious to the foul weather. The cabins were warm and cozy as we slept under the fog and drizzle. The clouds broke somewhat Sunday and allowed panoramic vistas of beautiful East Tennessee and Western North Carolina. Five hikers descended Rainbow Falls trail to find a very robust falls with the remainder descending Alum Cave trail. The Rhododendron, Mountain Laurel, some Trillium and several other wildflowers were blooming at various elevations and the giant Hemlock were giant. Those participating were: Earl Brown, Teresa Brown, Valerie Brown, Alan Henderson, Martha Henderson, David Young, Lois Young, Jean L. Brown, Nickie Brown, Steve Nyarady, Barbara Nyarady, Brad Dayvolt, Teresa Dayvolt, John Bailey, Tom Pridgen and Kay Newell.



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### Nelan Shelter Work Trip - July 3, 1981 - John Thompson

We worked all day under threat of rain, per forecast and clouds, but only one slight sprinkle. We squared, leveled and cemented the foundation corner stones, and put front and rear bottom logs thereon. Also cut one notch in a side log (our first try - it fit). By using all present we carried the "Deacon's Seat" (heaviest log at 13" dia./17' long) to the shelter site. Finally, we moved a rotted log from near the shelter front and placed two split logs over Sugar Hollow Branch for a bridge. Those making the trip were: Gordon Newland, Darrol Nickels, Jeff Sirola, John Thompson, Van Wilhelm, Myra Wilhelm, Jack Young and Ralph Young.

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### SOLO SCHOOL IS BACK

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THAT'S RIGHT, FOLKS, WE'RE GOING TO TRY IT AGAIN AND EVEN MAKE A TRADITION OF IT. SOLO SCHOOL.

THIS IS FOR ALL YOU HOT SHOT TANDEM PADDLERS WHO ARE READY TO TRY TO ARGUE WITH YOURSELF ON WHO TO BLAME WHEN YOU HIT THAT BIG ROCK OR MISS THAT EDDY TURN.

ON AUGUST 22 AND 23, ON THE HIWASEE RIVER AND OTHERS IF THEY ARE RUNNING (PLEASE TELICO, RUN), TSRA WILL BE OFFERING ITS SECOND ANNUAL SOLO CANOE SCHOOL. THIS SCHOOL IS FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE TRIED SOLO AND WANT TO REALLY LEARN HOW TO DO IT AND FOR THOSE SOLO PADDLERS WHO WANT TO CLEAN UP THEIR ACT—SO TO SPEAK (BUCKY, THERE'S NO WAY FOR YOU TO CLEAN UP YOUR ACT, THE WORD IS OUT).

BECAUSE THIS IS STILL A NEW CONCEPT FOR TSRA WE ARE LETTING IT GROW SLOWLY. AS A RESULT, THIS YEAR'S CLASS IS LIMITED TO 40 PARTICIPANTS. HOPEFULLY, WE WILL HAVE 5 STUDENTS PER INSTRUCTOR. THAT IS A NICE, WORKABLE RATIO. THERE WILL BE THREE CLASS GROUPS:

1. BEGINNERS - TRIED IT ONCE, HAD SOLO CLASS AT CANOE SCHOOL ONE TIME, HAVEN'T TRIED IT SINCE.
2. STRUGGLERS - DO IT ONCE IN A WHILE, BUT REALLY NOT SURE WHAT'S GOING ON, HOW DO YOU FERRY SOLO.
3. HOT DOG - I MAY BE SURVIVING, BUT WANT TO IMPROVE, BESIDES HOW DO YOU DO A BACK DRAW AND SLIDE IT INTO A BACK STROKE WITH A JAY ON THE END.

PLEASE DETACH THE CARD BELOW. PRE-REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY. THERE IS A FEE OF \$5.00 TO PAY FOR PRINTED MATERIALS AND RELATED SUPPLIES.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ (home)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ (work)

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ BEGINNER      \_\_\_\_ STRUGGLER      \_\_\_\_ HOTDOG

MAIL TO: TERRY ADAMS  
C/O R. NICHOLS  
252 DELVIN DRIVE  
NASHVILLE, TN. 37013

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO TSRA.

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## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

North Fork Holston River, Saturday, July 25, 1981

This is an easy trip as the north fork has only Class I and II rapids. We will put in near Hiltons, Va. and take out at Wodlow Gap bridge. Meet at 8:30 A.M. in Bldg. 215 parking lot, TEC. Bring lunch, raingear and necessary canoe equipment. We should be on the water about 3 1/2 - 4 hours. If water is too low trip may have to be postponed. For more information call Ben Thompson, 245-3606.

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To: Ben Thompson, 2204 Montrose, Kingsport 37664 or Warren McLain, Bldg. 267, TEC

I plan to float the North Fork on July 25th

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Name(s)

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## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

#### UINTA MOUNTAINS, UTAH

One Week, JULY or AUGUST, 1981 (Dates to be decided)

The High Uinta Mountains are outstanding for their superb mountain scenery and wilderness qualities. They are unique in that they constitute the highest range in Utah and the most prominent east-west range in the United States with elevations to over 13,500 feet. The backbone of the range forms a high rugged region with many peaks and precipitous slopes. Ridges bisecting the main crest divide the area into large scenic independent basins containing more than 500 lakes.

A Multigroup trip is being considered at this time:

- a) A backpacking group to hike the famed Highline Trail, crisscrossing the main ridge for about 80 miles in the High Uintas Primitive Area;
- b) A horseback pack group generally traveling in the opposite direction of the backpacking group with ample time to descend and sample the excellent fishing in the basins;
- c) A tour group interested in exploring the unique scenic, historical, cultural, (and commercial) attractions of Salt Lake City and its environs (including Park City, Timpanogos, etc.);
- d) Those who would take advantage of group airfare to Salt Lake as a staging point for independent vacations (for example, Yellowstone, Grand Teton, Mesa Verde, Arches, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, Bryce Canyon, Zion, and Grand Canyon National Parks are each less than a days drive away.

If you are interested in this trip, please return this form to Jeff Sirola, B-95A, TEC.

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Mail to: Jeff Sirola, B-95A, TEC

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Preferred Week (s)

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Backpack

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Salt Lake Tour

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Horseback/Fishing

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Group Airfare Only



## TERC HIKING CLUB

1981 CREEK TRIP

July 11, 1981

Mt. LeConte

I have made reservations for 17 persons at the LeConte Lodge (the 3-bedroom lodge and 1 cabin) for Saturday night, July 11, 1981.

Between now and then we will pick from among the several creeks flowing off the north side of Mt. LeConte and Blvd. Ridge. On the morning of July 11, we will abandon any trails and start up the middle of the creek of our choice. If all goes well we will reach the lodge in time for supper. Descent the next day will be by trail.

This trip is rated difficult

The cost of overnight accommodations at the lodge will be \$23.85 in 1981, including tax. The first 17 reservations that are received with checks will be accepted. Please get your reservations to me by November 14 at the latest. Any unused reservations remaining after November 14 will be canceled. (Make checks payable to Stan Murray.)

The trip is almost guaranteed to be a challenge and something to be remembered.

Stan Murray , Building 244



## TERC HIKING CLUB

### CANOEING NOTICE

Nolichucky River Near Erwin  
Saturday - July 11, 1981

This trip will be on mostly Cl. I & II water with one Cl. III rapid at the take-out point.

We plan to put-in at Unaka Springs, just south of Erwin off US 23. After about a 1-hour float on Cl. I & II water, the river flows under the old US 23 bridge, then the new US 23 bridge at Erwin. There is a stretch of shallow flat water about a mile long as the river parallels the new (US 23) highway around Erwin.

The remainder of the trip is through scenic waters with occasional Cl. I and II rapids and several beach areas suitable for lunch. Just above the take-out point at Embreeville the river passes beneath a bridge on TN 81 between Erwin and Jonesborough.

River time should be about 5 hours. Driving time is about 1 hour each way plus shuttle time.

Equipment requirements include canoe, paddles (with spare), life jackets, change of clothes (in waterproof bag), kneepads, lunch, etc.

Let's plan to leave from the B-215 parking lot at 9:00 A.M., Saturday, July 11, 1981.

It is suggested that persons planning to go contact Bill Crawford at 288-4663. If the water is too low (or possible too high), the trip may be rescheduled or changes to another stream.

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### FOR THE RECORD

#### Nelan Shelter Work Trip - June 6, 1981 - John Thompson

The theme for this trip could have been taken from the old song which had the lines, "It rained when I found you, it rained when I lost you". For us it rained when we left, while we were at the shelter site in Sugar Hollow and when we got home. However, we did get some work done, including digging holes for shelter corners, putting large stones therein and restacking logs which were getting mildewed from all the recent rain. Those making the trip were: Lewis Carson, Ray Hunt, John Kiefer, Darrol Nickels, Paul Worsham and John Thompson.

All interested in helping with this Shelter project are welcome. Contact John Thompson.



Other TERC Hiking Club people attending the Cullowhee Conference were:  
Arlette Casper, Gordon Newland, Betsy Youngblood, Charlotte Chew, Sharon  
Sirola and Warren McLain.

Joel Youngblood stayed after the conference for the conference for the hiking  
program and he reports:

Attendees at the ATC meeting enjoyed many and varied hikes and backpacks led by  
members of the Carolina Hiking Club. Hikers were from places such as Wisconsin,  
Texas, Maine, New York and Ohio. All enjoyed the beauty of the southern Appalachians.

The entertainment program in the evenings was superb. It included a story teller,  
traditional ballads (Dellie Norton, 80+ years old and Sheila Packbone 20+ years old  
a vast display of musical talent (bones, spoons, hambone, paper-bag, jews harp,  
harmonica, banjo, fiddle) by David Holt and slide programs as well as clogging/  
square dancing bands.

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Nolichucky Canoe Trip - July 11, 1981 - Bill Crawford

It was a hot, humid day and traffic was heavy on the Nolichucky River between Erwin  
and Embreeville. There were fishermen, swimmers, tubers and, to top it all, the  
TERC canoe caravan - 19 strong in 11 canoes. We put in at the Cherokee Adventures  
site on TN 81 near the intersection with TN137. (They were kind enough to let us park  
there). This was a change of plan from the intended put-in point at Unaka Springs  
because the water was low (550 cfs). Even with 11 canoes the water didn't rise much,  
but there was enough for a lot of fun. The array was broken into various states  
of disorder at a few points; for example, paddles downstream of canoe, canoeist  
upstream and/or downstream of canoe, canoeist beneath canoe, etc. We took out at  
"Embreeville Beach", about a half-mile below the "Big Rock" rapid. Making the trip  
were Dan and Mickey Bensing, Charles and John LeBlanc, Sam Woodall, Raymond Joyce,  
Royal Spees, Ralph Freer, Earl Brown, M. J. Mann, Beryl Poole, George and Rat  
Stevenson, Art Mullins, Jerry Thomas, Ben Thompson, Richard Singleton, Eric Pardue,  
and Bill Crawford

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Back Pack - Mt. Mitchell to Celo Knob - July 18-19, 1981 - Collins Chew

After driving through pouring rain to Mt. Mitchell, thirteen hikers started walking  
north in dense fog from the Mt. Mitchell parking lot on Saturday morning July 18, 1981.  
Although the weather stayed hazy or foggy and spoiled most of the views, it never  
rained enough to bother us and the temperature was pleasantly cool. The ridge trail  
was quite difficult and rocky as advertized, but everyone hiked well and we had the  
open gap south of Celo Knob all to ourselves for the night. The meals consisted of  
a variety of dishes which required no pots except for boiling water. These meals  
proved adequate, tasty, and relatively inexpensive since almost everything came from  
regular grocery stores. The water was perhaps 1/3 mile down a washed out road and  
the tent area wasn't quite level but it was a very pleasant setting. Hauling the  
packs along the rough ridge left no time or energy for bushwhacking so Balsam Cove  
and Gibbs Mtn. were not climbed. We did climb the "Beyond 6000" peaks of Mt. Craig,  
Cattail Peak, Ptoato Hill, Winter Star Mtn., Celo Knob, and on the return trip Mt.  
Mitchell. The return hike was on old logging roads to Deep Gap and then a repeat of  
the ridge hike back to Mt. Mitchell. We were too early for the raspberries but found  
some nice huckleberries and enjoyed the wildflowers. We even had a volunteer camp  
doctor, Dr. John Cook of Welch, W. Va. Fortunately we did not need medical or dental

aid. The entire group was very amiable and we enjoyed each others' company. Hikers were: Ralph Young, Brad, Teresa, and Bruce Dayvolt, Tom Pridgen, Dr. John Cook, Clint Iles, Jim Von Bramer, Doug Lowman, Ted Malone, Taylor Pickard, Bill Baker, and Collins Chew.

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Nelan Shelter Work Trip - July 25-26, 1981 - John Thompson

This two-day trip provided a nice Saturday night camp near the shelter site in Sugar Hollow for six of us: Darrol Nickels, Keith Tate, Chip Tate, Sam Woodall, Frank Williams and John Thompson. Joe DeLoach, a summer science employee from ETSU, joined us for part of Saturday's work. Despite having to replace a bottom log due to rotten wood in the notch area, we set, notched and spiked 11 large logs (notching is an art, which is helped with the aid of computer-designed templates and a chain saw). We were fortunate in having good weather, since there had been a severe electrical and rain storm the night before.

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Canoeing South Fork of the Holston - July 25, 1981 - Ben Thompson

We had a fast group of paddlers - so fast we kept running out of water and at times could only see dry rocks ahead. Since the water in the North Fork of the Holston was too low, we switched and put-in the South Fork just below the South Holston Lake Dam as it started generating. We followed the water to about a mile above Blountville. Put in at 2:40; out at 6:40 because we had to stop and wait for the 56°F. water to get ahead of us several times. This is an easy run, but staying on the leading edge of the water gave us more ledges to run and more action than if we had waited for the flow to fill the river. Canoeing were: Warren McLain, LoAn and Steve Fine, Bruce Chamberli Phil, Sandra, Alison, Anlean and Wade Farrow, Dodd Huffaker, Sam Montague, Linda Wiseman, Powell Foster and Ben Thompson.

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Nelan Shelter Work Trip - August 8, 1981- John Thompson

More rain! One of the participants said he felt sort of like "Jonah", since it rained every time he went. However, the hard rain under which we left home stopped before we reached the shelter and only reappeared at noon - very convenient. Despite the mud we were able to notch and spike six more wall logs. Also we rearranged and exposed the unused logs, which are mildewing. Those making the work trip were: Darrol Nickels, John Thompson, Frank Williams, Sam Woodall, Paul Worsham and Jack Young.

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Nelan Shelter Work Trip, August 15, 1981 - John Thompson

On a nice hot day we were able to spike 12 more logs on the shelter walls. The side walls are now 10 logs high, requiring the use of pole ladders, constructed on the site. Our only problem was in getting tireless Darrol Nickels to quit by 4 pm so that we could get started home. We were fortunate with the weather, since the forecast rain held off until we were nearly home. Those making the trip were Collins Chew, Ray Hunt, Bob Mynhier, Darrol Nickels, John Thompson and Jack Young.

#### FOR THE RECORD

On July 22, Ray Hunt and Frank Oglesby walked over the land that has been bought by the Forest Service for a relocation of the Appalachian Trail between Doll Flats and Jones Branch near Elk Park. Forest Service representatives included: Horace Landrith, Russ Griffith, Jim Davidson, and Bill Martin.

In 1977, our club scouted the new route and made the first contacts with landowners. The Forest Service followed with an excellent job of purchasing 15 tracts in a long strip that connects with Forest Service land on both ends. We chose an approximate Trail location within the boundaries of the new property. Later our club will flag an exact location. After approval by the Forest Service, our club and the Forest Service will divide the work and both build it. Work should begin this fall. If you are interested in helping to locate and build this five miles of new trail, contact Ray Hunt.

#### Trail Maintenance 1981 - Spring Cleaning

TERC Hiking Club put in many hours of work to get our 125 miles of the Appalachian Trail in good shape. Maintenance crews cleared and/or blazed all 18 sections this spring and summer. There were many blow-downs last year and many of these were cleared this season. The Trail is generally in excellent condition and well blazed. Eighty-three people helped with maintenance this season. Reports of the individual sections are given below:

1. Spivey Gap to the Nolichucky River - Hugh Thompson and scout Mark Foot blazed and cleared from Spivey Gap to the Nolichucky River. The trail was generally well marked and in excellent shape except for a muddy section near Oglesby Branch.
2. Nolichucky River to Indian Grave Gap - Joel Youngblood has just taken over responsibility for this section and team. He, Elaine Graves, and Ray Hunt enjoyed a quiet work trip on the Appalachian Trail supplemented by delicious trailside blueberries. Trail bed was excellent but another trip is planned to clip back abundant growth of rhododendron.
3. Indian Grave Gap to Deep Gap - Four of us did maintenance on the Appalachian Trail from Deep Gap south to Indian Grave Gap. We repainted blazes, cut weeds and cut out two blow-downs on this section of the trail. Weeds are bad where the trail comes close to the road. There was no litter and this section in general was in good condition. Workers were David Samples and Robby, Mark, and Bob Mynhier.
4. Deep Gap to Iron Mountain Gap - Patti Tanzer, Pete Raynolds, Robert Caldwell, Kent Wilson, Ipso, and Jeff Vanderbilt put in a hard day's work of maintenance on the Deep Gap to Iron Mountain Gap section. Numerous blowdowns (approximately 15) were cleared, including one complete with a bee hive. A great deal of weed cutting, pruning, and clipping was necessary. The hike to the summit of Unaka Mountain was enhanced by a gorgeous display of azaleas in several colors.
5. Iron Mountain Gap to Hughes Gap - Seven members took advantage of the last Saturday in May with the flame azalea and lady slipper in full bloom to clear the 8.1-mile section from Hughes Gap to Iron Mountain Gap. Weeds were cut back, blazes were repainted, trash was hauled out, and a fair number of blowdowns were removed except for a few which will require a chainsaw. Helping out were Doris and Lewis Carson, Lola Davis, Cinda Foglesong, Tom Pell, Paul Scherrer, and Jeff Sirola.
6. Hughes Gap to Carver's Gap - Those on the trip were Gary Bridges, Ken Hyche, Jack Young and Frank Williams. Blazes were renewed and several blowdowns removed. This section of trail is in good condition.
7. Carver's Gap to Bradley Gap - Gary Davis, Mark Boyd, Keith Church, Ed Allen, and Lester Church stepped across the naked, windswept balds to perform trail maintenance on their 1981 section. Weeds were hewn to death, faded blazes received new life, and two blow-downs were escorted off the trail in a 6-hour period intermingled with conversations of 32 hikers.



8. Bear Branch Road to Bradley Gap - Six people cleared six miles of the Appalachian Trail south from Bear Branch Road, in the upper end of Carter County. The notorious dogs didn't get us, as the owner called them back. Three thundershowers added variety to the trip - fortunately we got over the Hump between the second and third of them. Descending the Hump to Bradley Gap through intermittent mist and sunshine was quite beautiful. Participating were Linda Jewell, Eric Middlemas, Ray Vachone, and son John, Bill Wortman, and Stan Murray.
9. Bear Branch Road to Bitter End - Reporting - Julian Lewis - John Bailey, Bill Murdock, and Julian Lewis painted blazes north to south, cut weeds and cleared six blowdowns.
10. Dennis Cove to Bitter End - Trail work was done by two groups moving in opposite directions to minimize auto time and distance. The blazes were painted north to south and the brush was weeded or clipped. Many blowdowns were removed. A few small ones were left. One enormous, multi tree blowdown looked much like a battleship in the forest. The Forest Service has promised to cut it out so we didn't touch it. Several bags of trash were collected at Moreland Gap Shelter. Some hikers there assisted in gathering the trash. The trail was left in excellent shape. Workers were: south to north - John Kiefer, Bill Dickason, and Earl Brown; north to south - Chet Bruner, David Green, Ralph Young, and Collins Chew.
11. Laurel Fork Gorge - Four of us had a beautiful day checking out the 4.5 miles of Appalachian Trail through Laurel Fork Gorge. Conditions were excellent and work not hard for Dick Clark, Margy Clark, Doug Clark, and Jim Rosser. The river was full after heavy rains and mountain laurel was in full bloom.
12. Laurel Fork Gorge to U.S. 321 - Blazes were painted; brush and small blowdowns were cleared. Several large blowdowns were left. Workers were Paul and Lesa Worsham.
13. U.S. 321 to Watauga Dam Rd. - Ed Oliver, Kirk Finch, Van and Mira Wilhelm cleared the section of Appalachian Trail from Watauga Dam Road to U.S. 321. No major problems were encountered, except all agreed weeding the half-mile of wild roses would have been easier with a gasoline-powered trimmer.
14. Turkey Pen Gap to Watauga Dam - Five of us split into two groups to repaint blazes, prune overhang and pick up trash on this difficult-to-reach 9.6-mile section. Turkey Pen Gap can almost be reached by auto via Hurley Branch Road but a four-wheel drive vehicle is required. Our workers were: Kenneth Hatfield, Kay Newell, Tom Pridgen, Ben Thompson, John Thompson.
15. Turkey Pen Gap to Tennessee 91 (Cross Mountain) - Lynn and Chad Byrd and Jim Fink began south from Tenn. 91 at 9:30 a.m., Bob and Pati Hembre and Paul and Mary Darlins began north from Hurley Hollow at 10:30 a.m. It took two hours to reach the Appalachian Trail from Hurley Hollow on the access road...a long uphill stretch. This was unexpected and offset our expected junction with the No.-So. group. Once on the Appalachian Trail the hike and maintenance went smoothly (future groups should bring more than one weed hacker to section 15 as much overgrowth was cleared and could be done much faster with more "hackers").
16. Cross Mountain to Low Gap - We did trail maintenance on the 6.8-mile section from Rt. 421 to Rt. 91 over Cross Mountain. This section was in generally good condition with only the removal of a few small blowdowns, briars, and trash necessary. The shelter is in good shape. Those on the work trip were Steve Falling, Dennis Hall, and Mike Hewitt (from Rochester), and Doug Lowman.
17. Low Gap to Abingdon Gap - Maintenance was done on Section 17 from Low Gap to Abingdon Gap by Theone Moorehouse, Jim, Steve, and Alex Crowell, and Robert and Arlette Casper. In general this section of the trail was in good shape, but required a lot of weeding. Everyone had a good time despite a few upset stomachs from the mountain roads.
18. Damascus to Abingdon Gap - A maintenance trip on the section from Damascus to Abingdon Gap Shelter was completed. Although we were only able to repaint blazes that were on the dry side of the trees, we did clear out most of the blowdowns. The trip proved longer than the 10 designated miles. Someone thought it appropriate to release the air in all four tires of the car we left in McQueen's Gap. Participating were Ted Malone, Jim Mays, Herick Brown, and Gordon Newland.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

MT. RANIER, WASHINGTON  
SUMMIT CLIMB  
JULY 30 - AUGUST 4, 1981

Vacation Required 3 days (or 1 week, optional)



Mt. Ranier -  
approximate climbing route  
and Camp Muir Shelter are  
marked on picture.

This should be a real adventure in a short vacation. The mountain at 14,410 ft. is the most heavily glaciated peak in the lower 48 states and the highest in the Cascade Range. Ranier Mountaineering, Inc. (RMI) will guide a one day ice climbing school and the two day climb to the summit and return. The party (up to 24 people) will be roped when crossing glaciers. The tentative schedule is:

- Thursday, 7-30-81 - evening flight to Seattle
- Friday, 7-31-81 - rent car, drive to Ranier Nat. Park, hike to ice caves, cure jet leg.
- Saturday, 8-1-81 - Basic climbing school
- Sunday, 8-2-81 - Climb to Camp Muir Shelter (10,000') hike 5 miles, climb 4500'.
- Monday, 8-3-81 - Climb 4400' to summitt and return to Hotel.
- Tuesday, 8-4-81 - Return flight to Kingsport (or sightsee and hike a few days).

The approximate cost will be \$800 to \$1000 per person.

Stan Murray has made the climb with RMI several times and will give a noontime slide show and question and answer period for interested people.

See back!

If interested send this form to (or call) Collins Chew B-71, 239-6237

To: Collins Chew, B-71

I am interested in the Mt. Ranier Summit Climb - July 30-Aug. 4, 1981!

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Name(s)

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## TERC HIKING CLUB

Cross-Country (X-C) Skiing/Snowshoeing Trip

January 3, 1980

We will open the Hiking Club 1981 Season in a new way, skiing and/or snowshoeing on some of the suitable trails of the Mt. Rogers National Recreation area. Cross-Country or Touring Skiing is the fastest growing sport in America and there is usually ample snow for it to be undertaken in our mountains. The equipment is simple and can usually be rented while one is determining his interest in the sport. Reservations are required in case of a "no-snow" condition that necessitates a change of date or shift in location. If interested, call Frank Oglesby (245-5447).

### FOR THE RECORD (November 8, 1980)

Three hikers departed from 215 parking lot at the appointed time, picked up two more in Johnson City and one in Elizabethton and were joined by yet another at the entrance to Hanging Rock Creek Road. The leaves that had made a beautiful landscape when the hike was scouted a month earlier now made one feel that for every step up the mountain one slipped back two as all of them were now underfoot. But the thousand foot climb was made in an hour where the excellent 360° view was enjoyed for 20-30 minutes, allowing time to reach the car at sunset. Darkness descended as we were enjoying doughnuts and hot drinks at Doughnuts Ect in Banner Elk. Those enjoying the hike were Linda Ann Reiff, Janet McGettrick, Karen Ronzagles, Tom Pridgen, Betsy and Frank Oglesby.

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## TERC HIKING CLUB

### Canoe Trip Notice

French Broad River  
August 8, 1981

The French Broad is a big river with numerous good rapids. It is surprisingly technical for its size, especially at low levels. At low to moderate levels it is an excellent open boat run. If there happens to be high water the day of the trip then we will probably run Laurel Creek which intersects the French Broad above the last two rapids. In either case this run will be Class III to IV, offering lots of practice for the intermediate paddler. Hope to see you there.

We will plan to meet at the Colonial Heights Giant parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Driving arrangements will be decided then. The drive is approximately 1½ hours one way and the shuttle is relatively long. It will be an all day paddle so bring a big lunch and be prepared for a long day of paddling and driving. Expect to return to Kingsport around 8:00 p.m. Proper safety equipment is required!

Pre-registration is required! Please call or send the attached form to Paul Darling if you plan to attend. If there is a change in plans or a cancellation, only those who have pre-registered will be notified. For additional information, phone Paul Darling at 239-5577.

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To: Paul Darling, B65

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CAN YOU DRIVE? \_\_\_\_\_

## For The Record

### Snowbird Mtn. - Backpack - June 20-22 - Gordon Newland

The Big Snowbird Creek area of the Nantahala National Forest has been neglected by hikers. Darrol Nickels, Jack Crowder and Gordon Newland spent a weekend rediscovering it June 20-22. Although it is 190 miles from Kingsport it was well worth the drive. We arrived about noon, having encountered some difficulty with accuracy of the Forest Service Map. The rest of the afternoon was spent following the old railroad bed (Buffalo Snowbird RR) along the creek. We lost count of the stream crossings (one even had a bridge) but we were agreed that there are more than on the trip to Buckeye Falls. Camp was at an old siding junction at the intersection of Snowbird and Meadow Creek. Supper was completed during the second inch of rainfall for the day. Sunday was fair and clear and following several more creek crossings we arrived at Mitchell Lick (elev. 4500') about 10:00 AM. Noonning occurred at Laurel Top (elev. 5317') followed by a side trip to Hooper Bald (elev. 5429'). It is still bald and affords a good view of Big and Little Huckleberry Knobs which are also bald. These three balds are good places to hike when huckleberries are ripe. Sunday's camp was just down the mountain from Mcquires cabin. We resisted the temptation to return to Hooper Bald for sunset and sunrise. The way out was by King's Meadow, Deep Gap and Firescald Ridge to the starting point at Junction. The final crossing of Snowbird Creek was carelessly executed prior to changing clothes for the trip home.

The trip was enjoyed even though the trails were unmarked and unmaintained except for the occasional passage of a trailbike. Most of the hike was on easy railroad grade. The variety of Flame Azelea rivals that of Gregory Bald in the Smokies, ranging from deep red to pale yellow; they were still in flower at the higher elevations. We recommend the area and so does Herrick Brown who reports that it was very popular in the Thirties. We also recommend maps and compass with frequent checks on trail details.

### Mt. Rogers - June 21, 1981 - Kirk Finch

We beat the odds and spent a whole day on Mt. Rogers without rain, we even had sunshine for most of the day. We had lunch in a beautiful meadow that Charles Boye know about. We could see the cars we had left two hours earlier and they looked deceptively near by. Rhododendron Gap was well worth the hike. Acres and acres of rock outcrops, meadows, and rhododendron in blossom. The approximate 2.5 mile hike from Massies Gap in Grayson Highlands State Park to Rhododendron Gap is highly recommended as a hike through spectacular scenery. An even two dozen hikers went on the hike. Four members of the Peck family from Oak Ridge, Herrick Brown from N. Carolina and formerly at Mt. LeConte Lodge, Ruel Smith, Jim Von Bramer, Judy McClanahan, Katy Apt, Gloria Ralph, Cinda Foglesong, Elaine Graves, Linda Jewell, Pete Morison, Charlie Boye, Judy Roach, Bill and Judy, Debby, Cindy Tindall, and Charlotte and Barbara and Chris and Kirk Finch.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

### Hiking Club Notice Cancellation

#### Canoe Trip Cancellation - Watauga River, below Wilbur Dam

Regretfully, it is necessary to cancel the canoe trip scheduled for the Watauga River on Saturday, August 22, 1981.

TVA has notified the leader that they do not anticipate generating at Watauga and Wilbur Dams on week-ends in the foreseeable future.

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### TRIP NOTICE

#### Moonlight Hike on Roan Mountain

Saturday, September 12

For lovers -- of each other, of moonlight, hiking, mountain tops, nature, fellowship, sunsets, crisp air, a new experience --

There will be a sunset -- moonrise hike across several balds on the AT from Carver's Gap (5512') to Grassy Ridge (6160'). This is an easy, 4-mile round trip hike with a lot of ups and downs. Meet at B-215 at 3:30 p.m. for carpooling and departure at 3:45. (Riders should expect to contribute \$2 to drivers for gas.) For those who might want to meet us at Carver's Gap, we plan to start hiking at 5:30.

We will eat supper while viewing the 7:40 p.m. sunset from atop Grassy Ridge after which we will hike back by full moonlight. (Moonrise at 7:05 p.m.). While moonlight is adequate in most areas, flashlights are needed in some. Arrival in Kingsport will be approximately 11:00 p.m.

Bring a trail supper, flashlight, spouse or a friend, drink, rain gear, boots or canvas shoes, and wind jacket. Trip will be cancelled by rain or cloud cover predictions.

Leaders will be Doris and Lewis Carson - 246-4880.

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### MULTI-CLUB MEET - AT CONFERENCE - Mt. ROGERS September 5,6 & 7, 1981

For fun and loads of information on hiking, trails, backpacking, etc. plan to attend the Multi-Club Meeting at Mt. Rogers. Host for this 3 day meet is the Mt. Rogers Trail Club with David Thomas in charge of activities. The Mt. Rogers area is convenient to us and would be a great place to spend 3 days in September.

For additional information contact Collins Chew - 239-6237.



## TRIP NOTICE

### SMOKY MOUNTAIN BACKPACK September 26-27, 1981

This early Fall hike should present an excellent opportunity to see the Smoky Mountains and climb several 6000+ foot peaks.

We will hike from Cosby Campground to Tri Corner Knob shelter. We will visit the tops of Old Black, Mt. Guyot, and Tri Corner Knob. If time permits we may visit some of the other neighboring peaks.

The total hiking distance is about 25 miles. The trip should be of moderate difficulty.

We will leave B-215 at 7:00 a.m. Saturday, September 26 and return in the afternoon of Sunday, September 27.

Because of the limited number of available shelter sites, you need to contact Jeff Vanderbilt (247-2957) as soon as possible for details, if you are interested in going.

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#### For The Record

##### Mt. LeConte Overnight - July 25-26, 1981 - Edward Oliver

On July 25 a group composed of Van and Mira Wilhelm, George and Michell Toncray, Pat and Linda Buchanan, Ed Oliver, Shelia Harris, Gwen Kilgore, and Glenda Helbert hiked from Newfound Gap to Mt. LeConte Lodge by way of the Boulevard trail. We had good views of the Mt. LeConte - Clingmans Dome area. A short hike to the Jumpoff ended in a cloud bank (we couldn't see more than a few feet). At the lodge we met Pat and Cyndy Dougherty, Jim Wallace, and Mark Winegar who had hiked in on the Alum Cave trail. After supper at the lodge we watched the sunset from Cliff Top. Sunrise was observed from several vantage points - Myrtle Point, Mt. LeConte Lodge, and from a horizontal position inside the cabin (with eyes closed). After breakfast, one group returned by way of the Alum Cave trail while the other group descended the Trillium Gap trail. We ate lunch at Grotto Falls. Some of the group cooled off in the pool at the base of the falls. We then hiked out to the Rainbow falls parking area.

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##### Uinta Mountains, Utah - August 1-8, 1981 - Jeff Sirola

The approach across barren southwestern Wyoming made some of the group a little apprehensive, but these fears disappeared as the dirt road turned into northeastern Utah, gained elevation and entered the coniferous forest. Finally at the road's end, some 10,200' elevation at Spirit Lake, five TERC Hikers, John Kiefer, Bob Miller, Gordon Newland, Jeff Sirola, and Jeff Vanderbilt set off on a seven-day 70-mile trek among the ridges, basins, and glacial moraines of the Uinta Mountains. Each of the six major passes scaled brought into view a different verdant basin dotted with lakes and surrounded by red and yellow pre-Cambrian sandstone and conglomerate ridges under usually cloudless deep blue skies. From atop 13,528' Kings Peak, only primitive scenic wilderness could be seen. And although the meals became memorized and the rocky trail and the nearly 5000 feet of elevation gain made a few feet sore, the packs slowly became lighter, the mountain streams were refreshing, and the wildlife and wildflowers always interesting. Reluctantly, at week's end when another road was at last encountered at Mirror Lake, it was time to leave the Uintas and return to Kingsport.

TERC HIKING AND CANOEING CLUB  
TRIP NOTICE  
NANTAHALA RIVER - SEPTEMBER 12-13, 1981

It's time again to make the Club's annual trip to the "River of the Noon-day Sun" - the beautiful and fun-filled Nantahala. Because of the distance involved, the trip will include two days of river-running and those who go will want to spend Saturday night close by. There are a variety of camping opportunities nearby, as well as more plush accommodations. I'll provide information to anyone who needs it. All participants will need to pre-register as water release times vary and starting times will be set according to the best current information.

Trip/River Description

The Nantahala is a beautiful river which provides 8 miles of continuous Class II-III whitewater action. The river is located at the edge of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park near Wesser, North Carolina. The stream is dam-controlled with exceptionally good water quality and scenery. The river is mainly Class II with a solid Class III rapid known as Nantahala Falls (or lesser Wesser) at the end of the run. US-19 parallels the river and provides a means for non-participants to follow canoeists downriver. For the enthusiastic paddler, it is possible to make two runs in a single day.

On Sunday, some of the group may wish to drive over to the Ocoee River and raft its explosive  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles. If you're interested, please indicate on the pre-registration form and I'll check into prices and starting times.

Rick Phelps

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NANTAHALA/OCOE E PRE-REGISTRATION

Return by September 3, 1981 to R. C. Phelps, B-54.

_____ Name(s)	_____ Address/Bldg. No.
_____ Home Phone	_____ Work Phone
I plan to camp _____	I need camping information _____
I prefer a motel _____	I need motel information _____
I am interested in rafting the Ocoee on Sunday	_____ Yes                      No

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## TERC HIKING CLUB

CANOE TRIP NOTICE LAUREL CREEK, SOUTH FORK HOLSTON RIVER (Class II and III)  
September 26, 1981

On this canoe trip we will paddle and portage through "downtown" Damascus, VA. We put in on Laurel Creek 2 to 3 miles above Damascus and paddle on almost continuous Class II water on Laurel Creek until it joins the South Fork of the Holston below Damascus. There is one Class III rapid just above the confluence of the two streams. The remainder is almost continuous fast Class II water and a real fun-run.

There are 2 dams which must be portaged. We will take out on South Fork 2.3 miles above the head waters of South Holston Lake. It is about 60 miles to the put-in point.

Meet at B-215 at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, September 26. The usual gear is required; lunch and beverage (in waterproof bag), life jacket, one spare paddle per canoe, bailers, sponges, and appropriate clothing (suggest a dry change of clothes). Expect to return in 6 to 7 hours after departure.

As these are free flowing streams, there is appreciable probability that the water level may be too low at this time of year. If so, two alternatives are proposed which are more likely to have sufficient water, but are quite far from Kingsport. (Both are described in Carolina Whitewater by Bob Benner).

No. 1 Wilson Creek, in North Carolina, about 5 miles northeast of North Carolina Highway 181 between Jonas Ridge community and Morganton, (approximately 85 miles from Kingsport). This is in Pisgah National Forest and is adjacent to the Linville Gorge area. It is very popular with paddlers in that area. There is an expert section with Class III, IV, and V rapids and a "novice" section with some enjoyable Class II rapids (one is near Class III). Wilson Creek is free-flowing.

No. 2 - Green River - Also in North Carolina, about 25-30 miles south of Asheville (nearest town is Saluda). This is said to be the second most caoned river in North Carolina, after the Nantahala. It is dam-controlled, (Duke Power Co.), and the generating schedule can be learned prior to departing Kingsport. Rapids are Class II and III. Put-in time for the Green River should be about 1:00 p.m. to fit the currently known generating schedule.

If you plan to go on this canoe trip please pre-registor by mailing the form on the back of this sheet to Warren McLain, B-267.



The leader is Warren McLain, B-267, phone 288-5762. Please pre-register.

To: Warren McLain, B-267

I plan to go on the canoe trip planned for September 26, 1981.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

My canoe partner (if any) is: \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to car-pool with: \_\_\_\_\_

I can carry \_\_\_\_\_ canoes on my car.

If there is insufficient water in Laurel Creek/South Holston my preferred alternative is :

Wilson Creek, expert section \_\_\_\_\_ novice section \_\_\_\_\_  
Green River \_\_\_\_\_

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#### ATTENTION MEMBERS

#### Sharing Transportation Costs

When we make hiking and canoeing trips, the drivers are faced with a sizeable gas bill usually. The Steering Committee wishes to remind passengers on these trips to help with the cost of the groups transportation. If transportation costs are not mentioned, offer to pay the driver your share of the gas bill. If the driver suggests a reasonable figure for each person's share of the gas, contribute to the enjoyment of the trip by paying your share. After all, remember the driver is giving you transportation, driving for you, and using his car. Let's work together to reduce the driver's cost.

Doug Louman  
Steering Committee Member

Canoe Trip Notice

Nolichucky Gorge

October 3, 1981

The Nolichucky Gorge is a great river for the intermediate to advanced paddler. It winds through a steep gorge starting at Poplar, N.C. and gradually eases off as it flows into Tenn. The scenery is outstanding. The river offers several good Class IV rapids requiring lots of maneuvering. If water levels are above 1500 cfs the open-boater should think twice before attempting this run.

We will plan to meet at the Colonial Heights Giant parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Driving arrangements will be decided then. The drive is approximately 1 hour one way and the shuttle is relatively long. Expect to return to Kingsport around 6:00 p.m. Proper safety equipment is required!

Due to variable water levels, pre-registration is required! Please send the attached form to Paul Darling if you plan to attend. If there is a change in plans or a cancellation, only those who have pre-registered will be notified. For additional information, phone Paul Darling at 239-5577.

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Nolichucky Gorge Trip

Send to Paul Darling, Building 65

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Home  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Can you drive? \_\_\_\_\_

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Iron Mountain Hike October 4, 1981

This hike will cover 10.8 miles along the Appalachian Trail from Iron Mountain Gap to Indian Grove Gap. Sections of this hike should be considered difficult.

We will leave the parking lot in front of B-215, at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 4, 1981. We may not be back in Kingsport before dusk, so plan to buy supper on the way back. Bring lunch, rain gear, and appropriate clothing for the weather. For additional information, contact Doug Lowman at 239-9701.

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OCTOBER 10-11, CARVER GAP BACKPACK HIKE TO HIGHWAY 19E

This 10.6 mile hike should be highlighted by nice early fall color and good views from Roan and Hump Mountains. We will spend Saturday night at Roan Highlands shelter. We will need to take tents to allow for the shelter being occupied.

Those planning to make the trip, please contact John W. Thompson at 245-1455, Kingsport, by October 1 so that he can make plans for food, tents, and transportation. Rain gear and some cold weather clothing should be part of your equipment. We will leave TEC, B-215 parking lot at 10 a.m. Saturday and should be home by 5 p.m. Sunday.

### TRIP NOTICE

#### Sunday, October 18 - Hilton Fire Tower

Hilton Fire Tower is close by - so not much time is needed for driving. We will meet at B-215 parking lot at 1:00 P.M., drive to Hilton, VA, hike up the old road to the tower and return the same way. Round trip is about 6 miles. We should be back in Kingsport by 6:00 P.M. Bring water, energy pills and clothes for the weather. On the average the terrain is level, being up one-half and down the other half. On a clear day Collins Chew thinks he can see Mt. LeConte from the tower, come and see what you think.

Trip leader: Gordon Newland, 246-8845.

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### TRIP NOTICE

#### Nelan Shelter Work Trip - August 29, 1981 - Darrol Nickels

The cool air in Sugar Hollow made the work almost pleasant. Once during the day the heavy clouds caused us to expect rain but mostly it was a sunny and pleasant day. We added three more logs to the side walls, split a log with a chainsaw and used the halves as facings on the front ends of the side logs, and installed a temporary rafter (purlin) to stabilize the walls. The first log of the overhand is now in place. The stump at the back corner of the shelter was removed. The work day ended at four p.m. and we were home by six. Workers were Doug Lowman, Gary Luttrell, Bob Miller, Darrol Nickels, Frank Williams, Sam Woodall, and Woody Woodall.

#### Nelan Shelter Work Trip - September 12, 1981 - F. L. Williams

Dave Kashdan, Jack Young, Jim Stout and Frank Williams spent a beautiful Saturday working in the Nelan Shelter. We finished laying up the side logs and placed the front ridge and back rafters in place.

#### Moonlight Hike to Grassy Ridge - September 12, 1981 - Lewis Carson

Weather prophet Lewis Carson, chose a good night for this hike. There were 52 happy hikers who climbed across the grassy balds from Carver's Gap to Grassy Ridge. Mist swirled around the shivering group briefly during supper time, but cleared for good views of the moonrise. Some romantic hikers even chose to make it back by moonlight instead of flashlights. For some return hikers who recalled the disastrous rain and wind on Fane Bald several years ago, this perfect evening hike was all the sweeter!

#### Cross Mt./AT Hike - September 13, 1981 - Doug Louman

On Sunday, September 13, 1981, two hikers joined me on a beautiful day for a leisurely hike from Rt. 91 to Rt. 421 over Cross Mountain. We enjoyed the many late summer flowers, mushrooms, and signs of animals in the area. Those joining me on the hike were Edith Olinger and Jean Brown.



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## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

CHIMNEY TOPS, Sunday, October 18, 1981

Enjoy beautiful Fall colors and magnificent views from this short ridge 15 miles south of Kingsport.

The hike begins from a dirt road about 1/2 mile from the ridge with the trail following an old jeep road (steeply at times) up the side of the ridge. At the top we will follow the rocky and evergreen topped ridge 1/2 mile to an old tower for better views.

The hikers will meet at B-215 at 9:00A.M. for carpooling. The round trip time should be about 4-5 hours. Bring water, snacks, warm jackets or windbreakers, and cameras.

For additional information contact David Attride - 477-2437.

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### ADVANCE NOTICE

DON NELAN SHELTER DEDICATION AND ANNUAL FALL  
DINNER MEETING - November 1, 1981

Almost every weekend this summer, Club volunteers have been meeting in Sugar Hollow along an Appalachian Trail relocation made over Pine Mountain a few years ago. Selected Poplar trees, felled by the Forest Service, were peeled, debated over, cut, moved, debated over, stacked, dried, debated over, notched, and gradually assembled into our first log shelter. Construction is now almost complete, and on Sunday, November 1, this much needed shelter will be dedicated to the memory of Don Nelan. Everyone is invited to share in the celebration. Several activities have been scheduled including a hike along part of the Pine Mountain Relocation, the dedication itself in Sugar Hollow at noon (a beautiful setting for a picnic) followed by the annual Fall covered-dish dinner meeting at the Bays Mountain Cabin starting at 5:00 P.M. The meeting program will include a synopsis of the shelter construction and a pictorial report from the club's recent trip to Utah's Uinta Mountains. Mark November 1 on your calendar, make plans to attend some or all of these activities and watch further notices for additional details.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN  
Saturday, November 7, 1981

Meet at B-215 parking lot at 0800. Return to Kingsport about 1700 hours.

The leaves will be off the trees and the views (clouds permitting) should be excellent. We might even see frost or snow. We will make a loop over the cliffs of MacRay Peak and along the cliff tops to Attic Window Peak, returning by Underwood Trail or Arch Rock Trail. There are outstanding views from the cliff tops. The hike will involve climbing some ladders up short cliffs, and walking on slippery rock. School age children should be able to make this trip, but it is not for 3 or 4-year olds. The hike is rated as medium difficultness. Depending on which return trail we take, the total distance will be 4-5 1/2 miles. There may well be snow or very strong winds, so warm clothing is necessary. Bring rain gear, warm clothes, food, water, cameras and binoculars, hats, ear muffs, and sturdy walking shoes. Admission to the mountain costs \$4 per adult and \$3 per child, which we will pay when we arrive there. If time permits, you may also see hang gliding, and Mildred the bear.

Leader: Kirk Finch, 288-5739

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### FOR THE RECORD

#### Nantahala River Canoe Trip - September 12-13, 1981 - Rick Phelps

Twelve canoeists (9 canoes) enjoyed the brisk 8 1/2 mile run down the scenic but crowded Nantahala River. The weather was perfect and we ran the river on both Saturday and Sunday. Contrary to popular belief, this river is not less crowded after Labor Day (at least not this weekend)! The paddlers improved their skills by dodging the rafters as well as the rocks. Lesser Wesser falls provided an exciting finish to the trips - where else can one practice whitewater swimming before 100 spectators?

Participants were: Bruce and Steve Chamberlin, Jerry Tustin and daughter, Warren McLain, Kurt Kauffman, Richard Singleton, Dave Ingram, Earl Brown, Raymond Joyce, Sam Woodall, and Rick Phelps.

#### Nelan Shelter Work Trip - September 18, 1981 - John Thompson

This was Friday - a "retiree's day", and guess who joined Frank Oglesby and John Thompson - Cosmo Griffith! The weather was cool and slightly cloudy. We installed eight rafters and hope that the roof can be placed on the next trip (which will be a work-instruction session for 12-18 visitors from various A.T. Clubs on Sept. 26/27th).

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**TERC HIKING CLUB**

## FALL DINNER MEETING

Date: Sunday, November 1, 1981

Place: Eastman Cabin, Bays Mountain

5:00 p.m. Social Hour (Hot and cold refreshments and appetizers available)

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

7:00 p.m. Annual Fall Meeting

Slide Programs: Darrol Nickels "Building the Nelan Shelter"  
Jeff Sirola "Backpacking in the Uinatas"

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

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To: Steve Falling, B-150B or 225 Woodstock Pl., Kingsport, TN

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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please include \$1.00 for each adult attending, to cover cost of social hour refreshments. Make check payable to TERC.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ amount enclosed. Please set \_\_\_\_\_ places for my guest and myself.  
I plan to bring the following food (Check two)\*.

\_\_\_\_ Meat dish (for 6)

\_\_\_\_ Appetizer tray (for 16)

\_\_\_\_ Vegetable dish (for 8)

\_\_\_\_ Dessert (for 12)

\_\_\_\_ Bread (for 60)

\_\_\_\_ Coffee, tea, lemonade, Kool-Aid,  
napkins, lemon, sugar, cream,  
margarine, toothpicks. (We'll let  
you know which later).

\_\_\_\_ Salad (for 8)

\*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.

Please bring serving utensils and label your containers.



## FOR THE RECORD

### Multiclub Meet, Bear Tree Campground - September 5-7, 1981 - Collins Chew

On Labor Day weekend the southern hiking clubs held their annual multiclub meeting at Bear Tree Campground in Mt. Rogers National Recreation Area. About 130 people met for an enjoyable weekend of hiking, music, talking, and making and renewing friendships. Mt. Rogers A.T. Club were fine hosts and even cooked fried apple and blueberry pies for everyone. The Southern Regional Management Committee of the Appalachian Trail Conference also met on Monday morning and approved a reassignment procedure for Trail Sections and also heard a number of reports. Attending from TEC were Doug Lowman, Jack Young, and Collins Chew. Roanoke A.T. Club will host the meeting next year.

### Green River Canoe Trip - September 26, 1981 - Warren McLain

On Sept. 26 there was very little water in any free-flowing streams, so three TERC paddlers went to the Green River near Saluda, NC in search of water for canoeing. This was a "first" for the Hiking/Canoeing Club, so it was an exploratory trip for the club. Even with a promised dam-release at 10:00a.m. we had to wait until 3:00p.m. for water at the put-in. The section is 6 miles long, and the first 3 miles are relatively calm with several fast Class II rapids. Things pick-up some for the last half, however, and there is almost continuous Class II water interspersed with some maneuvering through zig-zag rapids, but no "heavy" turbulence. We made the leading edge of the water release, and had to stop fairly often for the water to catch-up. Scenery and water quality were excellent, even with a road alongside the river, as the area is sparsely populated. There were places where the tree branches from both river banks met overhead to completely cover the river. Duke Power Co. has made improvements at the put-in and take-out to accomodate paddlers. We had plenty of good company on the river, with approx. 15 paddlers from the Blue Ridge Canoe Club of Monganton, N.C. Their oldest paddler was 70 yrs old and the youngest about 4 yrs. There were others from Thomasville, NC and Greenville, SC. Supper was at McDonalds in Asheville, and return home about 11:30 p.m. We considered it well worth while. Paddlers were Bruce Chamberlin, David Ingram, and Warren McLain. All paddling solo in open canoes.

### Smoky Mtn. Backpack - September 26-27, 1981 - J. J. Vanderbilt

On Saturday and Sunday September 26 and 27, Steve Falling, Greg Kramer, Doug Lowman, Bob Miller, Pete and Patti Raynolds, and Jeff Vanderbilt spent a pleasant weekend backpacking in the magnificent Smoky Mountains. The temperatures were cool, and the skies were clear and blue. We hiked from Cosby campground via Snake Den trail (several snakes were observed) and the AT to Tri Corner Knob shelter. We climbed to the summits of Old Black, Mt. Hardison, Tri Corner Knob, and almost Mt. Guyot (leader's error). We returned via Cosby Creek trail, tired but mentally refreshed.

### Nelan Shelter Work Trip, September 26-27, 1981 - John Thompson

This was a combination work trip and shelter construction seminar for other hiking clubs. (Mike Dawson, A.T. Southern Region Coordinator, had asked for the seminar which was to preceed construction of a similar shelter by the Nantahala Club near Wesser, and had given it good publicity). However, only three visitors attended: Mike and the Lulls, Barbara and son John, from Franklin, N.C. We reached Sugar Hollow at 11:30 Saturday and had an hour of instruction presented by Jeff Sirola, Darrol Nickels, John Thompson and Frank Williams. Then the group, which included Gordon Newland, worked until 5 p.m. installing a center support under the rafters and two vertical supports under the ridge pole, as well as cutting the top thrird off of the Deacon's seat (front top log). Dawson, Sirola and Thompson spent the night at the shelter and on Sunday managed to nail two diagonals under the rafters and then install the rear roof (at last). Weather for the trip was perfect.

# TERC HIKING CLUB

## Program Notice

DON NELAN SHELTER DEDICATION  
Fall Dinner Meeting  
Sunday, November 1, 1981

### 1. PINE MOUNTAINS HIKE

Enjoy the fall colors with a pleasant 4 1/2 mile hike along a recently relocated portion of the Appalachian Trail over Big and Little Pine Mountains from Slide Hollow to Mill Creek. At Sugar Hollow, join in the dedication of the Don Nelan Shelter. Hikers should meet at B-215 parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Bring water, lunch, and clothing appropriate for the weather. The group will return to Kingsport in time to attend the Dinner Meeting. For additional information, contact Doug Lowman.

### 2. DON NELAN SHELTER DEDICATION

For others wishing to participate in the Don Nelan Shelter dedication, a shorter temporary access to the Sugar Hollow site over private property has been generously made available by the landowner. Those wishing to go to Sugar Hollow directly should meet at B-215 at 9:00 a.m. The dedication ceremony will be held at noon. Bring a lunch to enjoy at the shelter afterward. This group will also return to Kingsport in time for the Dinner Meeting. For additional information, contact Jeff Sirola.

### 3. FALL DINNER MEETING

The Annual Fall Dinner Meeting will be held at the Eastman Cabin at Bays Mountain. Social Hour will begin at 5:00 p.m., the pot-luck dinner at 6:00, and the program including slides of the construction of the Don Nelan Shelter and also the recent trip to the Uinta Mountains at 7:00. For additional information or to make dinner reservations, contact Steve Falling.

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### FOR THE RECORD

Maine and New Hampshire Appalachian Trail Week - September 13-22, 1981 - Ray Hunt  
From Sept. 13 to 22, five members of the Hiking Club hiked 72 miles in the Appalachian Trail in Maine and New Hampshire. Those on the trip were Collins Chew, Ray Hunt, Darrol Nickels, Gordon Newland, and Tom Pridgen. Collins was the trip leader and Carrol organized the food.

We discovered that we were going over the most difficult part of the Trail: the Mahoosuc Range. It involves much climbing (we averaged 2,800 feet of climbing per day, and the same amount of descent) over steep and rocky trail. We averaged a little over a mile per hour. For this labor, we were rewarded with spectacular

views of fall colors, mostly good weather, a sense of accomplishment of a difficult goal, including traverse of the fabled Mahoosuc Notch, and assorted sores and bruises.

This trip was the latest of a long series of backpacking trips by this group over different parts of the Trail. We have now covered well more than half of the 2100 miles of the Trail. Next year's trip will be in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, with overnight stops at the huts of the Appalachian Mountain Club. Gordon Newland will be the leader.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

1982 Creek Trip

July 10-11, 1982

Mt. Leconte

In preparation for our 1982 creek trip, I have made reservations for 13 persons at the Leconte Lodge for Saturday night, July 10, 1982.

We will ascend Mt. Leconte, at least in part, by one of its creeks, probably on the north side. At least while we are following the creek, this climb will not utilize trails. Occasionally we have been known to proceed without trails longer than expected. The trip is rated difficult and should not be attempted by people who are not in good physical condition or who are not able to put in a long, strenuous day by almost anyone's standards.

The cost of overnight accommodations in the lodge will be \$28.62 in 1982 including tax. The first 13 reservations that are received with checks will be accepted. Please get your checks to me by November 13 at the latest. Any unused reservations remaining after November 13 will be cancelled. Make checks payable to Stan Murray.



Addressee please note change of building number here \_\_\_\_\_ and return to Addressograph, B-284.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

Trip Notice

WINTER HIKE ON AT - SPECIAL MAINTENANCE - FEB. 6, 1982  
(SATURDAY)

Another in a series of what have been popular events for the last few years.

Top Priority - Climb from Nidiffer Branch to Vanderventer Shelter on the AT at Iron Mountain. We will clear blowdowns and briars for about two miles in each direction from the shleter. This section has been very bad for about two years and after three trips we just about have it cleaned up. A few folks said they would like to spend the night at the shelter and we list it as an option - but most will probably want to return home Saturday night. Expect beautiful views of Watauga Lake and N.C. mountains.

Second Priority - Clear the new proposed AT relocation at US19E between Doll Flats and Mill Creek.

Again we need several chain saws and bladed weed eaters - (They did a great job in early December). I will furnish weeders, clippers, and bow saws. Bring hat, gloves, warm clothes, raingear, lunch and water. Be prepared for severe weather. The trip will be cancelled if roads are icy.

Date: Saturday, February 6, 1982

Meeting Place: Bldg. 215 parking lot, TEC

Meeting Time: 8:00 a.m.

Driving Distance: 100 miles - round trip

Return Time: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (your choice)

Hike Distance: 6 to 8 miles

Please let Collins Chew know if you plan to go so I can arrange tools and travel.

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To: Collins Chew, Bldg. 66, TEC 239-6237

1. I would like to go on the Feb. 6 hike and work trip\_\_\_\_\_.
2. I could bring a chain saw or bladed weedeater\_\_\_\_\_.  
(describe)
3. I would like to spend the night at Vanderventer Shelter\_\_\_\_\_.

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Signed

Telephone

FOR THE RECORD

Iron Mountain Gap to Indian Grave Gap - September 4, 1981 - Doug Lowman

Since only one person joined me for this trip, we changed the planned hike slightly. Instead of a through hike from gap to gap, we made the trip two short hikes. In the morning we hiked from Deep Gap to Indian Grave Gap. The afternoon hike involved bushwacking from Iron Mountain Road to just south of Low Gap, then hiking the AT over Unaka Mountain to Deep Gap. Joining me on this trip was Ken Hatfield.

Backpack: Carvers Gap to Highway 19E, October 10-11 - John Thompson

We left Carver's Gap in the fog at 12 noon and it persisted, sometimes as semi-rain at higher elevations, throughout the hike. Our biggest problem turned out to be water. We wanted to spend the night about half way thru the 10 miles, but found no water past Grassy Ridge except a bare trickle at Doll Flats. Consequently the group decided to hike on to our car at Pink Winters, where we arrived at dark, and then on home at 10 p.m., after hamburgers in Elizabethton.

Many hikers (about 50, including backpackers and day hikers) were out for a final late fall outing. Our group consisted of Ken Hatfield, Doug Lowman, Tom Pridgen and John Thompson.

Don Nelan Shelter Great Lumber Carry-In - October 11, 1981 - Darrol Nickels

At least twenty-six people responded to the call to help carry the flooring lumber the one and two-tenths miles from Campbell Hollow to Sugar Hollow on Sunday, October 11. Ray Hunt and Frank Oglesby had used Curt Trompe's pickup to transport the lumber to Campbell Hollow the day before. Each of us gathered up all we could carry and with frequent rests, and frequent shifting of the load from one shoulder to the other, puffed our way down to the shelter. A few tough ones among us made a second trip to haul down the remaining planks.

On this trip we finished the roof, dug a ditch under the drip of the roof, put up signs, finished cleaning the access trail from the A.T. and painted blue blazes, and piled the brush and wood scraps. Among the workers was a group of enthusiastic and well-disciplined Scouts from Troop 387 under the guidance of Paul Worsham.

Those who signed the register at the work site on this sunny and beautiful fall day were: David Attridge, Charles Bell, Jack Boyles, Steve Butler, Jim Caines, Jody Callahan, W. DeWeese, George Ford, Terry Good, Brian Guinn, Garry Luttrell, Jim Miller, Thomas Nabih, Darrol Nickels, Ed Oliver, Fred Rosser, Jim Rosser, Brian Settle, Jeff Siroila, Allen Supcoe, David Thomas, John Thompson, Frank Williams, Paul Worsham, Jack Young, and Ralph Young.

Work Trip on Nelan Shelter - October 17, 1981 - John Thompson

How do you spell relief? The shelter is finished and ready for dedication on November 1! Thanks to excellent weather we were able to complete the final work items which included installing the floor, nailing on the galvanized roofing ridge cap, installing two braces at the side walls, finishing a drainage trench behind the shelter, providing a path to and basin in nearby stream for drinking water, piling up unused logs and cleaning up the area around the shelter. Four hikers named Wilkinson (Al, Bob, Bobby, and Ken) from Mebane, N.C. had spent the previous night in the shelter and volunteered to complete the trench. Our group consisted of John Kiefer, Gordon Newland, John Thompson, Sam Woodall and his father Woody Woodall, an Organic Chemicals Division retiree. Many thanks to all who have helped build the Nelan Shelter during the past seven months.

Chimney Tops Hike - October 18, 1981 - D. C. Attridge

A dedicated few met at B-215 to predict the weather for the day. The hike beckoned us on though the weather appeared fickle. We arrived at the base of Chimney Tops and admired the spectacular Fall colors. Midway up the rain began and didn't leave us until the hike was over. It didn't interfere with the exhilarating air and beauty around us. Unfortunately, the fog moved in just before we reached the summit. The wonderful view will have to wait. Members present: David Attridge, Joyce Poor and Jeff Paar.

Hilton Fire Tower - October 18, 1981 - G. Newland

We should have gone on Saturday - the weather was dry then. However, the two diehards that did go on Sunday afternoon had a nice time, the rain ended just as we started up the mountain. Fall colors were excellent and the trail more gentle than I remembered. Gordon Newland and Jim Mays made this hike.

Grandfather Mt. Hike - November 7, 1981 - G.K. Finch

We had a beautiful sunny day, excellent views, and lots of fresh air. In fact the air came at us up to 80mph! The temperature when we started was 21° (a wind chill factor of below -22°F). That did not discourage 8 intrepid hikers. We did start out on the protected side of the mountain, went down to Black Rock Cliffs Cave (not really worth the trip), temporarily lost 3 of our "experienced" hikers, and finally tried to get up on MacRae Peak. After the leader was almost blown off the cliff and literally crawled back to safety on hands and knees, we took the protected Underwood Trail around the peaks. If you want to know what a strong wind is, ask Charlie Boye about the wind actually sucking his coffee out of a cup. The hikers were Charlie Boye, Kirk Finch, Powell Foster, Susan and Tom Greenwood, Pete Morison, and Patty and Pete Reynolds.

Appalachian Trail new location - Jones Branch - Doll Flats - Oct. 10 and Nov. 21, 1981 - Ray Hunt

A new location for the Appalachian Trail has been flagged from Jones Branch, near Little Pine Mountain, south across U.S. Highway 19E to Doll Flats, north of Hump Mountain. The flagging was done in two days by Frank Oglesby and Ray Hunt, with Frank Oglesby, Jr. also going on the second trip. The first half was done on October 10, and the second half on November 21. We almost waited too long to finish it, because on the second trip we spent the whole day in two inches of snow, and in temperatures well below freezing.

The next step is for the Forest Service to inspect and approve the flagged route. Building the new Trail will be a joint effort of the Forest Service and the Hiking Club. Completion is expected in the next six months.

The new Trail will be 5.4 miles long. It will take this part of the Trail off of 3.4 miles of paved roads and put it in a protected corridor of fields and woods.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!!      Where is the club canoe trailer?????

The Hiking Club Canoe Transporting trailer has not been returned to the storage area at Bays Mt. Any member knowing the whereabouts of this trailer please contact Kathy Denney at the Eastman Employee Center at Extension 3876.

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### Trip Notice

Winter Hike on AT - Special Maintenance  
Saturday, December 12, 1981

The hike will be on Iron Mountain between Turkey Pen Gap and Watauga Dam. With the leaves off the trees we will have excellent views of Watauga Lake and the North Carolina Mountains. You are welcome to come for the walk, but we also need to get some work done. This section has been notorious this year for briars. We have gotten several complaints from the AT Conference where hikers in Virginia and West Virginia said it was the worst section in the Southern half of the AT. We also did not get out all the blowdowns on our special trip over this section in February.

A few chain saws and a bladed weed eater, would help in addition to clippers and bow saws which I will bring.

Bring hat, gloves, warm clothes, raingear, lunch, and water. Be prepared for severe weather. The trip will be cancelled if roads are icy.

Date: Saturday, December 12, 1981  
Meeting Place: Bldg. 215, parking lot, TEC  
Meeting Time: 8:00 a.m.  
Driving Distance: 100 miles  
Return Time: 5:00 p.m.  
Hike Distance: Up to 9 miles

Please let me know if you can go so I can arrange tools and travel.

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To: Collins Chew, Bldg. 66, TEC      239-6237

1. I would like to go on the Dec. 12 hike on Iron Mountain\_\_\_\_\_.
  2. I am willing to work on the trail also\_\_\_\_\_.
  3. I could bring a 4-wheel drive car to take workers up to the AT at Hurly Hollow\_\_\_\_\_.
  4. I could bring a chain saw or bladed weed eater\_\_\_\_\_.
- (describe)

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(signed)

(Phone)



Addressee please note change of building number here \_\_\_\_\_ and return to Addressograph, B-54 D.



## TERC HIKING CLUB

Trip Notice (Final Notice)

New Hampshire Presidential Range - July 24-Aug. 1, 1982

The Eastman Club will lead a hike through the Presidential Range of New Hampshire during the week of July 24 through Aug. 1, 1982. This notice is issued early to secure reservations at the AMC huts in this area. The party will be divided into two groups. Gordon Newland will lead the southward group and Collins Chew will lead the northward group. We plan to leave Kingsport Friday night July 23 and drive to Pinkham Notch, N.H. by Saturday, July 25. After spending the night at the AMC Lodge in Pinkham Notch, the northward group will take the southward group's cars to Franconia Notch and start hiking north. The southward group will start their hike from Pinkham Notch. The hikes will end in the early afternoon of Saturday, July 31, after which the respective groups will drive back to Kingsport, arriving August 1.

### Cost

Lodging in the AMC Lodge and Huts is \$27.00 per person per day. This includes bedding, supper, and breakfast. A \$6.00 per person per day, non-refundable, reservation fee is required. Transportation (if travelling with the group) to and from New Hampshire will be prorated over all the travelers. Motel and meal costs along the way will be paid by the individual. Hikers are required to furnish their own lunches while on the trail (7 days). Hikers must carry lunches, clothes for severe weather, personal items and sheets or sleeping bag liner.

A shakedown hike consisting of carrying your pack and an equivalent weight from 19-E to Carvers Gap in one day will be held on May 8, 1982.

All hikers are required to participate in the shakedown hike.

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RESERVATIONS: Must be in hand by Feb. 1, 1982. Make check payable to G.C. Newland, and send to him, B-150B or 1917 E. Sevier Ave. Kingsport, TN 37664

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Children should be 10 or Over)

Indicate Preference:

Northward \_\_\_\_\_ (Chew)  
Southward \_\_\_\_\_ (Newland)

Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(\$6.00 per person times 7 )

Return to Gordon Newland B-150B

# RANGE HIKE SCHEDULE

## Southward

## Northward

Day	Miles	Climb(ft.)	Spend night	Miles	Climb(ft.)	Spend night
July23	0	0	Motel	0	0	Motel
July 24	0	0	Pinkham Notch	0	0	Pinkham Notch
July 25	7.1	4020	Madison Hut	7.4	4100	Greenleaf Hut
July 26	7.3	2350	Lake of the Clouds	7.6	2878	Galehead Hut
July 27	4.6	420	Mizpah Hut	6.9	2468	Zealand Hut
July 28	13.5	2320	Zealand Hut	13.5	3650	Mizpah Hut
July 29	6.9	3090	Galehead Hut	4.6	1720	Lake of the Clouds
July 30	7.6	3130	Greenleaf Hut	7.3	2250	Madison Hut
July 31	<u>7.4</u>	<u>1450</u>	Motel	<u>7.1</u>	<u>1050</u>	Motel
Total	54.4	15,780		54.4	17,388	

Both trips will skirt the following mountains which may be climbed by short side trips  
(Treeline is about 5000 ft.)

<u>Mountain (in order southward)</u>	<u>Elev. ft.</u>
Madison	5363
Adams	5798
Jefferson	5715
Clay	5532
Washington	6288
Monroe	5385
Eisenhower	4761
Jackson	4052
Pierce	4310
Webster	3910
Guyot	4508
Garfield	4488
Lafayette	5249
Lincoln	5089
Liberty	4459