

## TERC HIKING CLUB

### TRIP NOTICE

ABRAMS FALLS, Sunday, February 27, 1983

This is an easy half-mile walk along Abrams Creek, northwest of Bristol, to the waterfall which is spectacular whether frozen or flowing. It is an expedition made at frequent intervals by the Hiking Club and an interesting Sunday afternoon adventure at any time of the year. Wear clothing suitable for the weather. The road and the trail can be icy or muddy depending on the weather.

Let us meet at B-215 parking lot at 1:15 p.m. for a 1:30 p.m. departure. We will stop in Bristol at Charter Federal across U.S. 58 from Bristol Mall to pick up anyone wanting to join us there. We will leave there no earlier than 2:00 p.m. You can also meet us where Benhams Road turns north from U.S. 58 across from the Valley Institute Elementary School, about 4 miles northwest of Bristol. We will leave there no earlier than 2:15 p.m.

We expect to return to Kingsport by 5:30~p.m. For more information call Dick Clark at 246-6007.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*CHANGE\*\*\*\*

## FEAGINS GAP, BACKPACKING for Beginners

Due to conflicting activities at Bays Mountain the date for the beginners backpack has been changed to May 21-22, 1983. Please change this from April  $30-May\ 1$  on your calendar.

For more information contact Dave Hrivnak.

### FOR THE RECORD

Cross Mountain (TN 91) to Low Gap (U.S. 421) on AT - November 13, 1982 - Steven C. Banks A light dusting of snow from the previous night made a nice setting for a hike on the AT along the crests of Cross and Holston Mountains. Those on the 6.9 mile hike were Brian and Christine Kneller, Diane Brewer, Peter Goumas, Reuel Smith, Jack and Keith Young, and Steve Banks.

## \*\*\*\*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*\*

WINTER DINNER MEETING - FEBRUARY 13, 1983, SUNDAY - 5:15 P.M. BAYS MOUNTAIN, EASTMAN CABIN

For further information contact Doug Lowman.

Guest are welcome!

### Tennessee Eastman Recreation Club

### Hiking and Canoeing Club

1983

### Steering Committee

- L. R. Church
- S. J. Falling
- D. W. Lowman (Past-Chairman)
- W. S. Murdock
- G. C. Newland (Chairman-elect)
- T. C. Pridgen
- F. L. Williams (Chairman)

### Other Positions

- S. P. Byrd (Secretary)
- J. S. Crowell (Library)
- G. D. Bridges (Equipment)
- A. Johnson (TERC Treasurer)
- K. Denney (TERC Representative)
- P. R. Worsham (Coordinator -Club Brochure)
- G. C. Newland (Intra-Club Mail Circulator and Trail of the Lonesome Pine Coordinator

## TEHC Beyond 6000 Committee

- D. W. Lowman
- H. M. Thompson

## Appalachian Trail Committee

- R. F. Hunt (Chairman)
- V. C. Chew (Maintenance)
- R. F. Hunt (Relocations)
- J. J. Siirola (Special Projects)
- H. J. Lewis (Signs)
- D. S. Nickels (Guidebook)
  F. L. Williams (SRM Committee)
- T. C. Pridgen (Maintenance Ass't.)

#### TRIP NOTICE

# BACKPACKING in NEW HAMPSHIRE - August 13-21, 1983 (one week vacation)

This trip will be a seven day, 66 mile, backpack on the Appalachian Trail. The hike will be from Franconia Notch in the White Mountains to Hanover, N.H. at the Connecticut River and the Vermont State line. It will cross the peaks of Kinsman, Mooselauke, which rises above timberline, Mt. Cube, and Smarts Mountain as well as others. We will see beautiful mountains, streams and ponds as is typical of the White Mountains. Total climbing will be nearly 17,000 feet on the Appalachian Trail which will be steep, rocky, and muddy.

We will leave Kingsport, Friday, August 12, 1983, after work and spend the night in a motel, Saturday night will be at another motel in Hanover, N.H. We will be driven 85 miles to Franconia Notch on Sunday morning and begin our walk back to Hanover, N.H. We will spend 5 nights at or near shelters and one night in tents. We should arrive in Hanover, N.H. on Saturday morning, August 20, and drive home, arriving Sunday, August 21, 1983. We must carry all equipment and food.

The cost should be under \$300.00 per person. The expenses will be shared equitably.

The trail is quite difficult. The leader will require that hikers have adequate experience and stamina to qualify for the trip. A difficult weekend backpack in the summer may be required of those who have not previously backpacked in New Hampshire or Maine with the group.

If interested return the attached form to Collins Chew, Building 66

To: Collins Chew, Building 66

Yes, I	am inte	rested	in th	e New	Hamps	hire	Backpac	cking	Trip,	August	13-21,	1983
Please	include	me in	notic	es an	d trip	plar	nning me	eting	s.			
					_	_	_		•			

Name	(s)		Building
 Home	Phone	Date	

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



### TERC HIKING CLUB

Trip Notice

Overmountain Man Victory Trail/AT, Yellow Mountain, TUESDAY, March 8, 1983

(This is one of two week-day hikes included in our current 6 month schedule. These were included for retirees, shift workers or others who can not make the weekend hikes. Whether these week day hikes are continued will depend on the participantion achieved. The other hike is scheduled for April 28, 1983, on a Thursday. This hike will be lead by John W. Thompson and will be on the AT, US 19E to Big Pine Mountain.)

This late Winter/early Spring (depending on the weather) hike is planned for Tuesday to acknowledge the request for and explore the feasibility of week-day outings. The hike will start at the head of Sugar Hollow on the North slope of the Highlands of Roan (elev. 3,400') and follow the Overmountain Men's route to Yellow Mountain Gap and the AT. We will then follow the AT North at least as far as Yellow Mountain. The return can reverse this route or can follow the AT further North to Bradley Gap and out by Shell Creek. Which of these options we plan on taking will depend upon the accumulated weather - meaning snow in this area. At this time (preparation of notice) there is a mininum of two feet of snow depth on the North slope of Grassy Ridge. Since the degree of difficulty and the route and distance covered will largely depend on this factor, preregistration would be desirable. The conditions will be scouted just before the hike. Please call Frank Oglesby, 245-5447, for registration.

Bring suitable clothing, headgear and footwear for severe weather, sunglasses, raingear, lunch and water. NOTE that this being a weekday, parking at the usual B-215 parking lot would <u>not</u> be feasible and we will use the parking lot just to the North of the Eastman Employee Center.

Date: Tuesday, March 8, 1983

Meeting Place: Eastman Employee Center, North side parking lot.

Departure Time: 8:00 a.m.; Johnson City (Post Office) 8:30 a.m.,

Elizabethton (Camera Inn) 8:45 a.m.

Driving Distance: 120 miles round trip

Hiking Distance: 4-8 miles

Return Time: By 5:00 p.m.

### Trip Notice

Turkeypen Gap to Cross Mountain (TN 91) - AT March 12, 1983

This hike will start on the northwest side of Iron Mountain, up a blue-blazed trail for two miles to Turkeypen Gap on the crest of Iron Mountain, and then north on the AT for six miles to Cross Mountain (TN 91), for a total distance of eight miles. This hike is rated moderate. Bring a lunch, and dress appropriately for the weather. Meet at the B-215 parking lot at 8:00 a.m., and expect to return by 4:00 p.m.

Contact Steve Banks for further information.

### FOR THE RECORD

Volunteer Motivation Workshop, Hemlock Haven near Marion, Virginia - January 28,29, and 30, 1983 - Frank L. Williams.

Doug Lowman, Warren McLain and Frank Williams attended a Volunteer Motivation Workshop held at Hemlock Haven near Marion, Virginia. The workshop was sponsored by the ATC and conducted by Ed Clark. Perhaps the most important point made by the workshop was that everyone in an organization should understand the mission and the goals of that organization. The mission of the Hiking Club is to preserve the AT and our goals are to maintain our section of the Trail and to provide worth while outdoor experiences to our members through hiking and canoeing.

AT Winter Maintenance (3 Groups) - January 29, 1983 - Collins Chew Three separate groups went out to enjoy a winter hike on the AT and do some needed work. Group 1. clipped alder, spruce, and blackberries that were crowding the Trail for about two miles including both sides of Carver's Gap. Unfortunately some of the clipping will leave stobs when the snow melts. They also flagged a quarter mile reroute to eliminate a steep section north of Grassy Ridge. This was a bit tricky and very strenuous in two feet of snow. We met about thirty people (Knoxville Sierra Club and a Blountville group) planning to spend a cold night on Grassy Ridge. Parking places were hard to find at Carver's Gap because of crowds of skiers. We also tried snowshoeing and cross country skiing with Frank Oglesby's equipment. It was a beautiful cold day and we had a fine time. Workers were Jack Young, Art Meyers, Greg Kramer, Frank Oglesby and Collins Chew. Group 2. On Saturday, January 29, four of the best of Kollins' Kleanup Krew cleared the Trail of all blowdowns for the five miles just south of Damascus. In spite of the obstacles of inept leadership, bad weather and impassable trail, we did our job and left the Trail immaculate. This bedraggled confused crew was David Cotey, Gordon Newland, Bill Tindall and Ray Hunt.

And now for the <u>real</u> story. The weather was ideal. The hardest part was carrying three chain saws for ten miles. Taking three turned out to be a good idea, because it took three to get one that worked. We looked all day for the reported blowdowns that we were sent to conquer, and never did find any of consequence. We did find the Trail in excellent condition, including the new relocation constructed near Damascus last July. Pete Burch and Darrol Nickels cleared blowdowns from Dennis Cove to the first high ground south of the Canute Place, approximately 3 miles. The blazes need repainting, there are scattered green briers that need clipping and there is about 100 feet of blackberry briers at the Canute Place that need cutting.

Due to the increasing costs of maintaining and replacing rental equipment it has become necessary to increase rental fees. The following fee schedule is now in effect.

## TERC HIKING CLUB RENTAL EQUIPMENT INFORMATION

The following TERC Hiking Club rental equipment is available to our members. Please ask for items by number.

## TENTS

			·
Identification Number	Description	Stakes Required	Rates
HT-1	Eureka Timberline, 4-person (Green and Tan) 8 lbs, 14 oz.	8	
HT-2	Cannondale Aroostook, 3-person (Orange and Yellow) 11 lbs, 4 oz	4	1-3 days \$2.25
HT-3, 5, 6	Cannondale Wabash, 2-person (Orange and Yellow) 8 lbs, 12 oz.	4	4-7 days \$4.50 8-14 days \$7.00
HT-4	Northface Tuolumne, 2-person (Navy Blue) 5 lbs, 8 oz.	16	
HT-9	Eureka Timberline, 2-person (Green and Tan) 6 lbs, 15 oz.	8	1-3 days \$1.50
HT-7, 8	Camel Backpacker, 2-person (Brown) 6 lbs, 12 oz.	8	1-3 days \$1.50 4-7 days \$3.00 8-14 days \$4.50
	DACKDACKC		

## BACKPACKS

Identification Number	Description		Rates	
HB-12	REI Super-Pak, Small, Rust			
HB-11, 13, 15, 16, 17	REI Cruiser, Large, Blue			
HB-14	REI Cruiser, Medium, Rust		1-3 days	\$0.75
HB-18	REI Cruiser, Small, Red	7	1-3 days 4-7 days 8-14 days	\$1.50 \$2.25
HB-19	REI Super-Pak, Large, Rust			
HB-20	Kelty Stretch, X-Small, Adjustable,	Red		

### **COOKSETS**

Identification Number	Description	Rates		
HS-21, 22, 23	SVEA 123 Stove (self cleaning) with Sigg Tourister Pots	1-3 days 4-7 days 8-14 days	\$1.50	

### ATTENTION ALL RENTERS

### SAVE THESE PAGES

### - GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS -

- 1. TENTS Keep in mind that our tents are for lightweight travel and backcountry use. They are not designed for general camping, so please do not abuse them by misuse. All of our rental tents are equipped with rain flies. Be sure to get the correct number of stakes when checking out a tent. A \$.20 per stake fee will be charged for unreturned stakes.
- 2. SVEA STOVES Safety restrictions prevent us from storing fuel in stoves and fuel bottles in the Employee Store. Please empty all fuel from stoves and fuel bottles prior to returning to Building 310.
- ALL EQUIPMENT It is the responsibility of the renter to take reasonable care of rental equipment - this includes returning the tents, backpacks and cooksets in a relatively clean condition. Renters should thoroughly check-out all equipment prior to use to ensure everything is in proper order. Rental rates are reasonable enough to allow extra time for making adjustments and cleaning equipment prior to and after use, so keep this in mind when reserving equipment. If any equipment malfunctions during use (like a leaking tent), please notify a TERC Representative in the Employee Store, Building 310, so corrections can be made. It is important that these problems be identified so the next renter does not get disappointed. The TERC Hiking Club will not hold you accountable for equipment malfunctions beyond your control. If you experience unusually wet conditions and are unable to dry-out a tent in the reserved time frame, notify a TERC Representative in the Employee Store immediately so arrangements can be made to dry the tent. You will not be charged for additional time to dry the tent, but it is very important to notify the Employee Store so arrangements can be made with the next person renting this item.

Happy hiking,

THE TERC HIKING CLUB

### Notice Maps and Books Available for Loan in HC Library

The Hiking Club owns a very comprehensive set of USGS Quadrangle maps for East Tennessee, Western North Carolina, and Southwest Virginia covering most of the mountain areas. Some sections of Middle Tennessee, the Obed River system, and the area around the Cumberland Plateau are also fairly The Hiking Club library contains quite a few books and an well covered. extensive set of outdoor catalogs for ordering clothing, camping, or backpacking equipment. We also have photorevised, five-color quadrangle maps recently published by TVA covering Kingsport and surrounding areas (Boone Dam, Blountville, Bluff City, Elizabethton, Gate City, Johnson City, Kingsport, and Indian Springs quadrangles). The recently revised issues of the AT Trail Guides for the areas nearest us have just been received and are available for loan (4th Edition, Publication No. 24; 3rd Edition, Publication No. 23). Brochures of all the nearby National Forests and miscellaneous materials relating to camping, hiking, and canoeing are also on hand. borrow maps, books, or catalogs, call Jim Crowell, TEC Ext. 4651, home phone 247-7467. Books in the library are as follows:

```
"Trail Manual for the Appalachian Trail," AT Conference Publication No. 1.
"The Appalachian Trail," AT Conference Publication No. 5.
"Suggestions for Appalachian Trail Users," AT Conference Publication No. 15.
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail in Central and Southwestern Virginia," AT
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail in the Great Smokies, the Nantahalas, and
   Conference.
   Georgia," AT Conference Publication No. 23.
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail in Tennessee and North Carolina: Cherokee,
   Pisgah, and Great Smokies," AT Conference Publication No. 24.
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail and Side Trails in the Shenandoah National
   Park," maps included, PATC, 7th Edition.
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail in Northern Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland,
   and Southern Pennsylvania, " maps included, PATC.
"Buffalo River (Arkansas) Canoeing Guide"
"A Canoeist's Guide to the Obed-Emory River System"
"Basic River Canoeing," McNair.
"When You Go Canoe Camping," Germain.
"Basic Canoeing," American Red Cross.
"Lightweight Equipment for Hiking, Camping, and Mountaineering," Potomas
   Appalachian Trail Club.
"Appalachian Hiker - Adventure of a Lifetime," Ed Garvey.
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail in New Hampshire and Vermont".
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail, Susquehanna to Shenandoah."
"Guide to the Appalachian Trail, Pennsylvania."
"Hiking the Appalachian Trail," Volumes I and II.
```

"Camping Around the Appalachian Mountains," Crain and Milne.

"Hiking Trails in the Southern Mountains," Sullivan and Daniels.

"Shenandoah Heritage: The Story of the People Before the Park," Carolyn and

Sierra Club"Emokies Totebook, "Murlless and Stallings.

"Canoeing White Water," Randy Carter.

"Hiking Trails in Bays Mountain".

Jack Reeder.

"North Carolina Hiking Trails," Allen deHart.
"Canoeing and Kayaking," the American Red Cross.

Hiking Club Library list continued....

```
"The Appalachians," Brooks.
 "The Appalachian Trail," Sutton and Sutton.
 "The Complete Walker," Fletcher. A practical, personal comprehensive
   handbook for all kinds of foot travel.
"The Man Who Walked Through Time," Fletcher.
"North American Canoe Country," Rutstrum.
"Trail Planning and Layout," Audubon Society.
"Hiking in the Great Smokies," Brewer.
"Tips on Mountain Leadership," Appalachian Mountain Club.
"Our Southern Highlanders," Kephart.
"Paradise Below Zero," Rutstrum. A handbook on winter camping and equipment
   needed for wilderness travel.
"Backpacking," Rethrnel.
"Moving the Earth for a Song," Gaillard.
"The Last Landscape," Whyte. A positive approach for saving open space in
   our cities.
"So Human an Animal," Dubos.
"Science and Survival," Commoner.
"Reason Awake," Dubos.
"Mt. LeConte," Adams.
"Strangers in High Places," Frome.
"Be Expert with Map and Compass," Kjellstrom.
"Guide to U.S. Canoe Trails," Makens.
"Voices for the Wilderness," Schwartz.
"The Sierra Club Wilderness Handbook"
"America The Raped", Gene Marine.
"Ecotactics", Sierra Club Handbook.
"The Appalachian Trail", National Geographic Society.
"Carolina Whitewater", Benner.
"Hiking the Appalachian Trail", Volumes I and II, Rodale Press.
"Rocky Mountain Trails", Rocky Mountain National Park.
"Camping Around the Appalachian Mountains"
"Rivers of the West"
"The Meek Mountaineer", Jacobson.
"Backpacker", periodical, Volumes I-X.
```