More Information

For parents and grandparents of young children:

At the excellent suggestion of a club member, TEHCC purchased a child carrier. Don't try to carry a squirming infant or toddler in your arms or on shoulders. Use this pack to give them their own "car seat" and save your back so that you can enjoy the great outdoors.

The carrier has many features. It has spring-loaded legs to stand up the carrier while a child is lifted and lowered into the harness. Warning – do not let a child climb into the carrier to seat themselves as it will tip over.

The carrier has a number of adjustments to fit 15 - 22 inch torso and 27 - 45 inch waist/hips. The relative height of the child versus your head can also be adjusted within a six inch range. The pack weight is roughly seven pound with a maximum load limit of 50 pounds for child + pack + gear. Remember to not overload yourself, thus recommend no more than 25-30% of the adult body weight.

There is a 500 cubic inch pocket for toys and child essentials. Two netting holders are available (to provide water for you; bottle for infant). The storage space is actually a detachable kid pack with shoulder straps, in case your child wants to carry his own load (for a few yards – right?).

We also purchased the removable sun/rain cover. The metal snaps busted, so we had them replaced with Velcro which is the way newer models are designed.

When done, please ensure that the carrier is clean from sticky fingers and other mishaps. The "cockpit" is removable for washing.

This rental will give you a needed carrier for the occasional use or a chance to evaluate whether you would want to invest in your own for regular hiking outings.