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SOUTH JERSEY

TREKKER

2018 Fall Activity

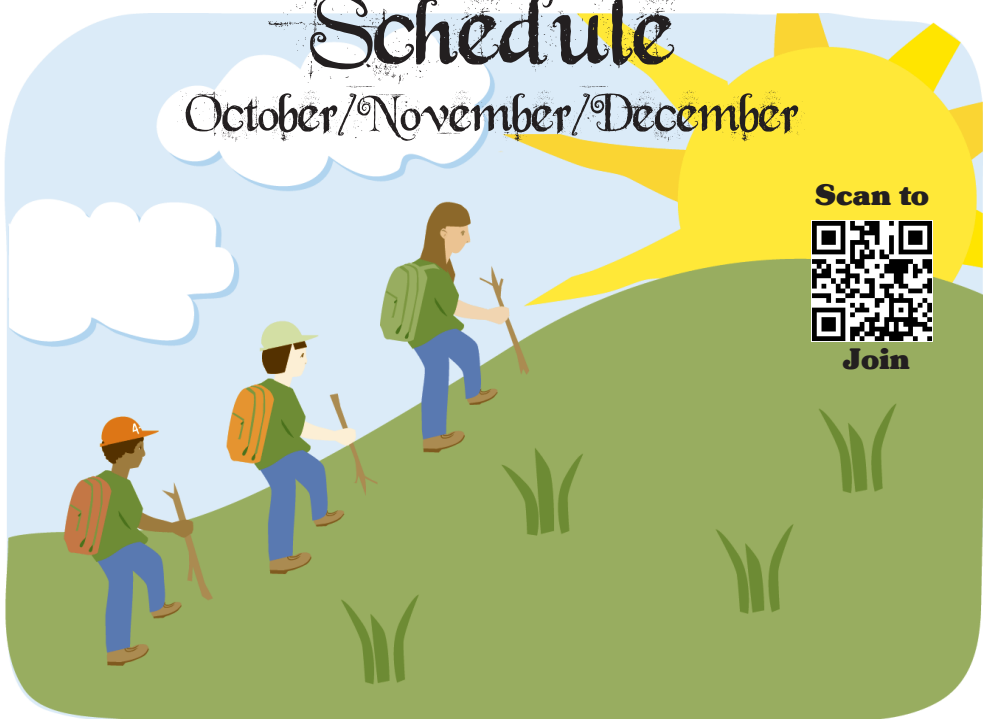
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October/November/December

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FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.

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Outdoor Club of South Jersey

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey, Inc., is an organization dedicated to providing opportunities for extending the individual's knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of his or her environment through experiences in outdoor activities. The Club offers a twelve month program of activities designed for all ages and levels of ability and interest, and as is feasible with available leadership. The Club is open to all persons regardless of age or place of residence.

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The officers and members of the Board of Trustees actively seek and welcome your comments, suggestions or recommendations towards the fulfillment of our aims and objectives. Our progress and success are dependent upon the quality and effectiveness of our leadership. Your participation in activities, committees, or in programs and projects is solicited. When you have questions, need further clarification, or require additional details, you are welcome to call the pertinent committee chairman.

MEETINGS

Club members are invited to attend the monthly meetings. The Board of Trustees meets each month. See schedule for locations. After the business session, some meetings will feature a program presented by the various activities. Everyone is welcome! Come out and support your representatives.



READ SPECIAL NOTICE BELOW.

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey has transitioned to Wild Apricot for our Membership Management. Please login to ocsj.wildapricot.org to join or see your current information. You can pay online via PayPal. PayPal link will allow you to pay with a credit card whether or not you have a PayPal account. Of course, you may also use your PayPal account if you have one.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The use of checks for membership payment will continue. The new mailing address is **P.O. Box 46, Atco, NJ 08004**. The Club will no longer send membership cards for new or renewed memberships. We will notify you of expiring membership by E-mail.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS: THIS SPRING 2017 TREKKER WAS THE FINAL "MAILED" ISSUE. Changing habits have lead to this decision.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Starting with this Summer Issue Trekker, a printed version will be available at the Print Shop, 908 N White Horse Pike, Stratford, NJ 08084 and other locations TBA. The Trekker will also be available online. We encourage everyone to join the various Club meetup groups.

OCSJ Non-member Participation Policy

1. OCSJ is a member organization. Membership funds pay for insurance and other Club overhead. However, prospective members and guests of OCSJ members may try one regular activity from each of our activity sections without joining. Thereafter they must join to be eligible for the hundreds of activities and events available every year.

2. Participants on trips which charge money must be members of OCSJ, except where the trip is a joint trip** with another club and the participant is a member of that club. Members of OCSJ may bring guests on a day trip charging money. Participants on overnight trips charging money must always be an OCSJ member.

***Joint trips will only be permitted if the other entity has liability insurance. Proof of the coverage must be obtained by the OCSJ leader. Overnight activities, which charge money, require all participants to be OCSJ members.*

You will notice that when you click on the Biking, Hiking and Canoeing Schedule pages, you are re-directed to our corresponding meetup sites. Meetup allows leaders to directly manage their activities.

Hiking Meetup site: meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/

Bicycling X/C Skiing Meetup site: meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey

Canoeing Meetup site: meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/
Carpooling, ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants and not part of the official Club Activity. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. The choice to participate is yours. Paddlers - During months of Nov. thru March, paddlers must wear wet or dry suits subject to approval of leaders. We would encourage everyone to check our websites for updates. Since trips are posted months in advance changes may occur including additions. Some activities may require limits on participation due to safety concerns and potential participants should RSVP.

1000, 750 and 500 Mile Hiking Clubs for 2017

You should consider joining our Grand Mile Club. Our goal is to walk, jog, hike 1000 miles each calendar year. Get all the details from Bill Poulson at wpoul42@gmail.com or 856-983-7609. We also have 500 and 750 mile clubs. If those better suit you, contact Bill Schaefer weschaefer@verizon.net, or Vera Stek verastek@verizon.net

TRAIL MAINTENANCE

The hiking trails our club enjoys are available primarily due to the efforts of volunteers, just ordinary people. Among other things, our club helps to maintain the BATONA Trail. If you can help for a morning or afternoon at another time, contact Rosemarie Mason for what needs to be done. You can contact Rosemarie at romason@comcast.net.

NEW THIS YEAR JOIN THE 300, 400 & 500 MILE PADDLERS' CLUBS

Any kayak trip counts with any group or individual.

The miles are sent in first week of January 2018,
but the last trip is December 31 2017.

The people who do not make the 300, 400 or 500 miles,
but turn in miles will get honorable mention on the website.

For details contact Ericka Blank
powerofpink58@verizon.net or text 856-364-6029.

FOR LEADERS

Leaders should review items under "For Leaders" on the OCSJ Website. They should also review the "Policy and Budget Page" Listed below & under "About Us" on the OCSJ Webpage.

In particular, the Revised Group Activities Policy and the OCSJ Sign-in Waiver Policy.

Sign-in Sheets should be sent to appropriate Activity Chair or individuals designated by them – or Activities coordinator if the event involves more than 1 activity **NO LATER THAN EACH CALENDAR QUARTER** with few exceptions which are listed on website under "For Leaders".

PARTICIPATION NOTICE

The Outdoor Club, its officers and leaders, shall not be liable for any injuries, illness, loss or damage to any person or property, as a result of participation in any Club outing. Each participant assumes all risk and liability connected therewith. All persons, MEMBERS ALIKE, are to sign in with the leader at each activity.

STANDARD MEETING PLACES

These are the standard meeting places, but always check the meet up page for the latest up to date meeting spots and maps.

Atsion - Meet in field on east side of Rt. 206 just north of Wharton State Forest Office.

Batsto - Meet at Batsto village parking, off Rt. 542, between Hammonton and Green Bank.

Bullock - Meet on north side of road in Bullock. Turn east from Rt. 72 at railroad bridge 6.5 miles southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. Continue 3.3 miles to the intersection. Turn right, then immediately left, and park.

Byrne Campsites -Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) campsite. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile south-east of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Campsite parking is 3.5 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Byrne Office - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) forest office. Turn east off Rt. 72, 1 mile south-east of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Forest office is on the left.

Carranza - Meet at Carranza Memorial parking, 6.7 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road. Cemetery -Meet at cemetery on Rt. 563, 0.6 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth.

D&R Parking - a mile N of Lambertville on Rt. 29, just before the Rt. 202 Bridge. Turn left and drive to the parking.

Evans Bridge - Meet just to the north of Evans Bridge (on east side of Rt. 563), 0.7 miles south of the Rt. 563/Rt. 679 split (about 10 miles south of Chatsworth).

Friendship - Meet at Friendship ruins on Carranza Road, 10 miles SE of Tabernacle.

Harrisville - Meet at Harrisville Pond, on Rt. 679, 1.5 miles south of Rt. 563, between Chatsworth and New Gretna.

Henry Avenue & Walnut Lane parking area, Philadelphia – Take Rt. 76 (Schuylkill Expressway) West to Lincoln Drive, exit #340 A. Turn right at bottom of ramp, cross short bridge and take Ridge Avenue West exit. Proceed to 2nd traffic light and bear right. Go two more lights and bear left. At the next light, turn right onto Walnut Ln. Go to 2nd light and turn left onto Magdalena and a quick left into parking area. Approximately 9 miles from Ben Franklin Bridge.

Jackson - Meet just north of small bridge on Rt. 534 (Jackson Road), 1.7 miles north-east of Atco Raceway.

Lake Absegami - Meet at Lake Absegami parking, Bass River State Forest. Entrance is on Stage Road, 3.4 miles E of Rt. 679 (from the N & W); or 6 miles W of Tuckerton (from the N & E); or 3 miles N of New Gretna (from the S).

Oswego - Meet at Oswego Lake parking, 3.1 miles northeast of Rt. 563 from Jenkins. (Turnoff is 8.4 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth, between Pine Barrens Canoes and Mick's Canoes).

Pakim Pond - Meet at Pakim Pond parking, Byrne S.F. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile south-east of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Pakim Pond is 2.7 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Skit - Meet at the Skit Branch bridge, 5.2 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road.

Tyler Park - Take 1-95 and get off at exit 49, (Newtown/Yardley) and travel toward Newtown. Continue on the Newtown bypass and turn left into the park at the intersection of Swamp Road. Meet the at the Boat House parking lot.

Wells Mills - Meet at Wells Mills Park, off Rt. 532 (which is 16 miles southeast of the Rt. 70/72 intersection), 3.6 miles northeast of Rt. 72.

Whitesbog - Meet at Whitesbog village parking. Go east on Rt. 70 6.9 miles from Rt.70/72 intersection. Make a sharp left on Lakehurst Road, go 1.3 miles, turn rightfor the village.



A MESSAGE FROM THE CANOEING/KAYAKING CHAIR

During months of November thru March paddlers must wear wet or dry suits subject to approval of leaders.



Consider becoming a leader. We can offer any help you need. Remember the trips you enjoy are only made possible by those that volunteer as leaders. I want to thank them. When you are on a trip take the time to thank them and consider becoming a leader. Always check the website for current information. Hope to see you on the water, Frank Pearce, Hornet71@verizon.net 856-767-2780.

Guidelines:

- 1- All participants must sign-in
- 2- PFD'S must be worn. (83% of canoeing fatalities were not wearing a PFD)
- 3- Stay between leader and sweep.
- 4- Wear appropriate clothes (Avoid Cotton) dress for water temperatures.
- 5- Have at least one change of clothing in a water- protected bag with you
- 6- Flip flops are not appropriate footwear. (No bare feet - 90 % of paddling injuries)
- 7- Flashlight required for evening trips.
- 8- Whistle is required for Delaware River trips and recommended for all trips.
- 9- A helmet for whitewater may also be a good investment.
- 10- Carpooling, ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants and not part of the official Club Activity. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. The choice to participate is yours.
- 11- You must assess the suitability and condition of your equipment and if a trip is within your abilities.
- 12- Please leave sufficient driving time to safely arrive.
- 13- If you have questions, especially if a trip is right for you, call the leader.
- 14- Check the Website –ocsj.org - for the latest information.
- 15- Minors (under 18) should be listed on sign-in sheets & parent/guardian sign for them.
- 16- Leaders have final say on trip participation involving safety concerns.
- 17- Leaders - if a trip is cancelled please notify the Chair.
- 18- Leaders - carry a copy of the incident report form. (can be obtained from website)
- 19- Leaders - send sign-in sheets and any incident reports to Canoe Chair.
- 20- Leaders must submit (mail/fax) sign-in sheets to the Canoeing/Kayaking Chair in a timely manner.

(Guideline - No later than 2 weeks after quarterly schedule ends.)

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The OCSJ Follows the Leave No Trace Principles.

Leave No Trace is a national and international program designed to assist outdoor enthusiasts with their decisions about how to reduce their impacts when they hike, camp, picnic, snowshoe, run, bike, hunt, paddle, ride horses, fish, ski or climb.

The program strives to educate all those who enjoy the outdoors about the nature of their recreational impacts as well as techniques to prevent and minimize such impacts.



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The Seven Principles

- Plan Ahead and Prepare
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Leave What You Find
- Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors
- Minimize Campfire Impacts

Volunteer Opportunities

The Club offers all members an opportunity to be a part of, or to create their own outdoor experience or activity. All activities are led by volunteer members. NO volunteers, NO activities. It's that simple!

You can make a difference. Your volunteer involvement in Club activities is unique and special contributions that play a valuable role in YOUR Club.

PLAN AND LEAD AN ACTIVITY.

HELP TO MAINTAIN THE TRAIL.

PLAN AND LEAD A "LITTER" CLEAN-UP DAY.

HELP THE TRAIL COORDINATOR BUILD A FOOT BRIDGE.

WRITE YOUR LEGISLATORS. A SIMPLE NOTE IN SUPPORT OF TRAILS, BIKE PATHS AND GREENWAYS IS ALL IT TAKES.

CHAIR A COMMITTEE. (See Christmas Party, Officer Nominations, etc.)

PLAN AND LEAD A TOUR TRIP.

Talk to your Activity Committee Chair about what you can volunteer to do to improve YOUR Club.

MEMBERSHIP& RENEWAL INFORMATION

1. A notice of expiring membership will be e-mailed to you.
2. If your address has changed, please indicate new e-mail address. If you move, please file a change of address card with us.
3. Keep your membership current. Memberships must be renewed one month prior to March, June, September, and December.

Membership Cards are no longer being issued. You will receive renewal information by e-mail.

The OCSJ Board just voted to use the Wild Apricot System to manage our website and membership. To join or renew your membership, please go to OCSJ.org or OCSJ.wildapri-cot.org/join-us and follow the links to establish your connection to Wild Apricot. The PayPal link will allow you to pay with a credit card, whether or not you have a PayPal account.

Special Note: You will be able to pay via check or money order. Make check or money order payable to The Outdoor Club of South Jersey, Inc. New mailing address is:
P.O. Box 46, Atco, NJ 08004

Individual Member - 1 year for \$20 Family Member - 1 year for \$25

Gift contributions to the Richard Greve Memorial Fund will be accepted by the Wild Apricot System.

October

CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOUR COMPUTER AT (WWW. OCSJ.ORG) FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.

Hiking Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/

Bicycling Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey

Canoeing Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/

October 02

Tuesday
07:30 PM



Moorestown Walks by David Bicking

Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown's historic streets. This isn't an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.

Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Moorestown Library

October 03

Wednesday
09:30 AM

Pound the pavement

9:30 5 to 6 miles moderate pace. We meet on the corner of Route 70 and Mount Misery Road. We will hike 1 sand road and three paved roads, imagine paved roads in the woods. I make only mandatory stops, you'll be back to your car in time to have lunch. Dogs on leash are welcome in the back of the group. I leave on time so make sure you know where the starting point is. Leader: Faye cell 912-433-8257

October 03

Wednesday
10:00 AM



HIKE the PARKER PRESERVE

Hike the Parker Preserve, 7 miles moderate pace. Will hike the scenic trails of the Preserve, with views of old bogs and impoundments. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at the East gate of the Parker Preserve, Rt 563, SE of Chatsworth. Leaders Chris Denneler, 609-351-2789 email cdenneler157@yahoo.com. Pat Burton, 609-472-8128 email camperpat@aol.com. Check meetup or ocsj.org for changes and cancellations.

Meet at franklin parker preserve east gate

October 03

Wednesday
10:30 AM



FRESH AIR & SEA BREEZES HIKE

FRESH AIR AND SEA BREEZES HIKE. 7.5 miles, moderate pace. On the boardwalk from Spring Lake to Ocean Grove. We will search again for the elusive ice cream cone. Bring lunch and drink. Meet at the Ludlow Ave. boardwalk pavilion in Spring Lake. Hopefully Manny Robbins, who led this hike for many years, will be able to join us. If so, you might get to hear some of the history of this area or an interesting anecdote or two....Take Garden State Pkwy to Belmar exit, OR take Rt. 195 to Belmar. Drive south to Spring Lake pavilion. Leaders: Bill Poulson, 609-451-5094; Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

Meet at Ludlow Ave Pavilion

October 04

Thursday
10:00 AM

Hike the boards in Atlantic City

Hike about 6 miles on the boardwalk and maybe down by the ocean if the tide is low. dress for the weather bring water and maybe a snack. lunch will be decided by group.

Meet at On the boardwalk in front of Showboat Casino

October 05

Friday
07:00 PM



Friday Nite Fitness Hike

Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks).

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Leaders: Bob Hodges, RLHLR@aol.com

Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

October 06

Saturday
10:00 AM



Pompeston Park Hike

POMPESTON CREEK HIKE. 5 miles. Wet feet as we ford the creek. We start at the Moorestown Library, and track the Pompeston Creek through Moorestown. We will go through Yancey-Adams, Maple-Dawson and Pompeston Parks, to the Pompeston Easement. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Moorestown Library

October 07

Sunday
09:30 AM



Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 mi. moderate pace. The swan are on their way back, but maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Everything here is done by volunteers and sometimes they can't get coverage to open the store. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on Rt.530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

October 08

Monday
09:00 AM



Walk From Bullock

A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts in Greenwood Forest Wildlife Management Area. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Leader: Jay Schoss (609) 283 0252 or tree2short@aol.com at least a day prior for more info.

Meet at RR Crossing in Bullock

October 10

Wednesday
09:00 AM



Hike the Batona Trail in 4 Weeks: No. 1, Bass River-Straight Road

We will walk the 52.7-mile Batona Trail, starting at Bass River State Forest, in 4 sections on successive Wednesdays, Oct. 10, 17, 24 and 31. The BAck TO Nature passes through forested uplands and lowlands, near bogs, swamps, rivers and streams: a premier taste of the Pine Barrens. Section 1: Bass River to intersection of Bulltown and Straight Roads. Distance: 14.75 miles. We end where the Batona meets the intersection of Bulltown and Straight Roads.

You MUST pre-register for this hike because of the shuttling. No negative responses but if you register and can't make it, do let us know. Severe weather such as heavy rain, sleet, ice, cancels. All hikes meet at 9 a.m.; the first at Batsto Village parking lot followed by a shuttle to Bass River. Pace is about 3.2 miles per hour with a lunch break. Bring plenty of water. There are no bail-outs or shortcuts. For experienced hikers only. No dogs or children.

For more information, contact leaders: Joe Hummel, (856) 235-8817 Joe Hummel, nofluke18@yahoo.com and Vera Stek, verastek@verizon.net

Meet at Batsto Village

October 10

Wednesday
09:30 AM



BBB

9 a.m. 6 to 8 Miles moderate pace. We will meet 2 tenths of a mile past 530 on Route 70 east, two tenths of a mile before route 530 west. There is a sign that says BBB, where we will park on Route 70, around mile marker 35. We will stick to sand roads and forest roads until the first hard frost. I only make mandatory stops and I leave on time so make sure you know where we start. Dogs on leash are welcome in the back of the group. Leader: Faye cell 912-433-8257

October 11

Thursday
07:30 PM

MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

CLUB MEETING AT 7:30 pm. Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill. All welcome.

Meet at Cherry Hill Library

October 12

Friday
07:00 PM



Friday Nite Fitness Hike

Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks).

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October 14

Sunday

09:00 AM



Oswego River

We will meet in the Oswego Lake parking lot at nine. Run the shuttle and be on our way. PFD's required. Any questions call [masked].

Meet at Lake Oswego parking lot

October 14

Sunday

09:00 AM



Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 mi. Moderate pace. The swan are on their way back, but maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

October 14

Sunday

09:30 AM



Wissahickon Express by Rich Kranz

Wissahickon Express Hike. 6.5 miles. Moderate Pace... From the golf course, we will head north on the Yellow Trail then lunch at Valley Green. Then head south on the Orange trail and explore Shakespeare Rock, Devils Pool and the Fingerspan Bridge. This hike is a bit shorter than my regular Wissahickon hikes so there is no wimp-out available. Rugged Terrain. Sturdy shoes required. No Pets. Bring or buy lunch at Valley Green. Meet at the Golf Course parking lot at Henry Ave and Walnut Lane. Inclement weather may cancel so check Meetup for updates. Leader; Rich Kranz 856 -316-6292.

Meet at Henry Ave. & Walnut Lane Parking Lot

October 16

Tuesday

10:00 AM



Hike Wells Mills with Toni and Jan

we will do 8 miles at a moderate pace not sure where lunch will be but bring it and water..dress for the days weather.

Leaders: Toni 609-903-6775 and Jan 609-404-4990

Meet at Wells Mill County Park

October 17

Wednesday

09:00 AM



Hike the Batona Trail: Section 2, Wharton Forest to Carranza Memorial

This is the second part of our 4-section Batona expedition, distance about 16.3 miles. We start at the intersection of Bulltown and Straight Roads (near Batsto) and end at the Carranza Memorial. Meet at the Carranza Memorial for the shuttle to Batsto at 9 a.m.

Pace is about 3.2 miles per hour; lunch break and quick comfort stops as needed. Bring plenty of water. For experienced hikers only. There are no bail-outs or shortcuts. Severe weather cancels. No dogs or children.

You MUST pre-register for this hike because of the shuttle. No negative responses but if you register and can't make it, do let us know.

For more information, contact leaders: Joe Hummel, (856) 235-8817 Joe Hummel, nofluke18@yahoo.com and Vera Stek, verastek@verizon.net

Meet at Carranza Memorial

October 17

Wednesday

09:00 AM



Jakes Branch

9:30 3.8 mi. to 5 mi. Moderate pace. This is a wonderful 400 acre park that has bathrooms and a terrific Nature Center. I suggest, until we have a hard frost, you bring bug spray. Some portions of the trail may be a little close. I only make mandatory stops. Dogs on leash are welcome in the back of the group. I leave on time so make sure you know where the starting point is. We meet in the parking lot. Leader: Faye. Cell 912-433-8257

Meet at Jakes Branch County Park

October 19

Friday

07:00 PM



Friday Nite Fitness Hike

Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks).

Leaders: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

October 21

Sunday
09:30 AM



Whitebog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan are on their way back, but maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on Rt.530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

October 22

Monday
09:30 AM



Jakes Branch

9:30 3.8 mi. to 5 mi. Moderate pace. This is a wonderful 400 acre park that has bathrooms and a terrific Nature Center. I suggest until we have a hard frost you bring bug spray. Some portions of the trail may be a little close. I only make mandatory stops. Dogs on leash are welcome in the back of the group. I leave on time so make sure you know where the starting point is. We meet in the parking lot. Leader: Faye. Cell 912-433-8257

Meet at Jakes Branch County Park

October 24

Wednesday
09:00 AM



Hike the Batona Trail: Section 3, Carranza Memorial to Route 72

This is the third of our section hikes of the Batona Trail; distance is about 12.3 miles. Pace is about 3.2 MPH. Lunch break and comfort stops as needed.

We will meet at 9 a.m. on Route 72, about a mile from junction with Route 563, for shuttle to Carranza Memorial.

Bring plenty of water. For experienced hikers only. No dogs, no children. Severe weather cancels. You MUST pre-register for this hike because of the shuttle. No negative responses but if you register and can't make it, do let us know.

For more information, contact leaders: Joe Hummel, (856) 235-8817 Joe Hummel, nofluke18@yahoo.com and Vera Stek, verastek@verizon.net

Meet at Route 72 crossing

October 24

Wednesday
10:00 AM



3 B HIKE IN OCEAN CITY

3 B HIKE IN OCEAN CITY. 7 miles. Walk on boardwalk, then thru the Gardens, over Longport Bridge, lunch on fishing pier (or later on boardwalk), back on beach (tides permitting) or back on boardwalk to starting point, 12th Street Pavilion on boardwalk. Bad weather cancels. Leader: Noel Wirth, ocnw101@comcast.net 609-938-0418

Meet at 12th street pavilion

October 24

Wednesday
10:00 AM



HIKE 6 MILES IN TYLER ST PARK, PA

WALK ON TRAILS, PAVED ROADS WITH NO CARS, AND SOME SMALL HILLS. RESTROOMS AVAILABLE AT START AND FINISH. MODERATE PACE BRING LUNCH AND BEVERAGE, COVERED BRIDGE. FOR MORE INFO. PAT BURTON 609472 8128. CAMPERPAT123@AOL.COM. HEAVY RAIN CANCELS. TYLER HAS A GREAT WEB SITE WITH GPS COORDINATES. TAKE I-95 GET OFF EXIT 49 (NEWTOWN/YARDLY). FOLLOW. 413 NORTH. PARK INTERANCE IS SWAMP RD/413 AT THE LIGHT. IF YOU PASS BUCKS COUNTY COLLEGE YOU PASSED IT BY 1 LIGHT

October 26

Friday
07:00 PM



Friday Nite Fitness Hike

Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks).

Leaders: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

October 27

Saturday
02:00 PM



Halloween 2 hour paddle on the Wading River

Halloween Campers and non Campers welcome. Arrive 20 minutes early to start the shuttle. Set up your tent and then kayak the Wading river from Evans bridge to. Beaver branch. Dirt Rd car shuttle required. Bring change of clothes in a water proof bag and beverage. Pat and Bob Burton.

[masked]. [masked]. Costumes Optional

Meet at Evans Bridge

October 27

Saturday
04:00 PM



Annual Halloween Campout

Join the ghosts and goblins around the campfire for food and fun at the club's traditional Halloween gathering. We will be in one of the group campsites by the Wading River. Bring your dinner, a chair and something to share. If you are spending the night, you will need your tent. This campground has a water pump and a privy. Halloween costumes optional but add to the spirit. Camper Pat will be leading a paddle on the Wading River before the campout which will be posted separately. A hike to Martha may be offered also.

More info to follow as we get closer to the date. Leader: Rosemarie Mason romason@comcast.net

October 28

Sunday
09:30 AM



Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan are heading back, but maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. It is run by volunteers and sometimes they can't get coverage. Do not follow your GPS, it may take you on a dead-end road or very bumpy, puddled sand road. Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

October 28

Sunday
09:45 AM



SOUTHWEST WISSAHICKON HIKE by Rich Kranz

8 miles, moderate pace. We'll start out at the Philadelphia Canoe Club and then hike up through the Wissahickon Gorge and have lunch on the rocks under the shadow of the "Toleration" aka Billy Penn Statue. I wonder what stories he can tell us? We'll also visit the Hermit's Cave and descend "1000 steps". Rugged terrain, sturdy shoes required. Bring lunch, beverage, NP at all times.

Parking is limited at PCC so carpooling is encouraged. Meet 9:00 a.m. at the Crate & Barrel Store, Cherry Hill Mall, or by 9:45 a.m. at the Philadelphia Canoe Club. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856 -316-6292, streetpilot58@gmail.com

Meet at Philadelphia Canoe Club

October 29

Monday
09:30 AM



Parker Preserve

9:30 5 to 6 mi moderate pace. Join me in a walk through lovely Parker Preserve. We will be on sand and forest roads and maybe we will spy the local bald eagles. This is a beautiful area for photos so we will be stopping for some photo shoots. We meet in the parking lot on Chatsworth Road, Rt. 563, not where Chatsworth lake is. I leave on time. Dogs on leash are welcome in the back. Leader: Faye cell 912-433-8257

Meet at Franklin Parker Preserve

October 31

Wednesday
09:00 AM



Hike the Batona: Section 4, Route 72 to Onga's Hat

This is the fourth and final section of our hike of the 52.7-mile Batona Trail. Distance is about 10 miles. Pace is about 3.2 MPH. One break for lunch, comfort stops as needed. Bring plenty of water.

Meet at Onga's Hat trailhead for shuttle to Route 72. No dogs or children. For experienced hikers only.

You MUST pre-register for this hike because of the shuttle. No negative responses but if you register and can't make it, let us know. Check Meetup prior to the hike for any updates/changes due to inclement weather.

For more information, contact leaders: Joe Hummel, (856) 235-8817 Joe Hummel, nofluke18@yahoo.com and Vera Stek, verastek@verizon.net

Meet at Ong's Hat

October 31

Wednesday
10:00 AM



All Treats/No Tricks Halloween Hike

We will hike an easy 4.5 miles along the Batona and Lake trails to the ghost town of Martha where we may see the Jersey Devil preparing for his favorite holiday. There will be a short break on the Osewgo River as we plan to eat lunch afterwards by our cars. (optional). The leaders will provide treats for all well behaved hikers. Bring water and bugspray and lunch with a chair if staying after the hike. Wear a costume or funny hat and get into the Halloween spirit! Leaders: Rosemarie and

www.ocsj.org

Diane Mason romason@comcast.net Bad weather cancels and will be posted on meetup by 8am.
Note: the privy at Harrisville has been removed and not replaced by 9/6/18. Meet at Harrisville Pond west of the Timberline Campground.

Meet at Harrisville Pond

October 31

Wednesday
06:00 PM



Halloween Lights of Moorestown

HALLOWEEN LIGHTS OF MOORESTOWN. 4 miles, easy pace. We start at the Moorestown Library and search the streets of Moorestown for the most ghoulish holiday displays. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet outside of library entrance.

Meet at Moorestown Library

November

November 01

Thursday
10:00 AM



Batsto Bop with Toni and Jan

We will go around the village and the trails and look to see if the new bridge on the Yellow Trail is completed yet. bring lunch and liquid

Leaders: Toni 609-903-6775 and Jan 609-404-4990

Meet at Batsto Village Visitor's Center Parking Lot

November 02

Friday
07:00 PM



Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Leaders: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

November 03

Saturday
10:00 AM

Capn' Tom's Pirate Hike

Ahoy Mateys! Shiver me timbers and join the search for buried treasure along the Batsto and Mullica Rivers where the pirates of old once roamed. On this easy 4- 4.5 mile hike, we will travel the roads that Joe Mulliner and his band of outlaws used when hiding in the woods to avoid the law in the 1700's. After the hike, we'll have lunch at the picnic tables in Batsto Village. (optional) Bring water, bug spray and lunch. If bad weather cancels, a notification will be posted on meetup before 8am. Well behaved dogs on a leash are ok but must stay in the back of the group. Leaders: Rosemarie and Diane Mason romason@comcast.net

Meet at Batsto Village Visitor's Center Parking Lot

November 03

Saturday
10:00 AM

Allaire State Park

ALLAIRE STATE PARK. 5 miles, easy to moderate pace.

We meet at the Hospital Rd Parking lot along the hilly terrain of the Multi-use trails. Leader: David Bicking, (609) 332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Allaire State Park

November 04

Sunday
09:30 AM

Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan will be on their way, also maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Everything is done by volunteers and sometimes they can't get coverage for the store. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on route 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

November 06

Tuesday
07:30 PM

Moorestown Walks by David Bicking

Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown's historic streets. This isn't an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and

sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.

Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Moorestown Library

November 07

Wednesday
09:30 AM

Jakes Branch

9 a.m. 3.8 to 5 mi. Moderate pace. Join me in this 400-acre park on an easy trail through the beautiful woods in Ocean County. This area used to be the home of the Lenni-Lenape Indians. There is very nice Nature Center and bathrooms. We will meet in the parking lot. Dogs are allowed in this wonderful park but must be on leash and in the back of the group. I leave on time so make sure you know where the starting point is. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Jakes Branch County Park

November 07

Wednesday
10:00 AM

2 RIVERS 2 HIKES

2 RIVERS 2 HIKES. We will hike along the Batsto and Mullica Rivers, over sand roads and trails. 1st hike 9-10 miles moderate pace. Leader Chris Denneler, 609-351-2789. Email cdenneler157@yahoo.com. 2nd hike 6 miles moderate pace. Leader Pat Burton. 609-472-8128. Email camperpat123@aol.com. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at the Batsto visitors center parking, off Rt 542. Check Meetup and ocsj.org for changes and cancellations. Both hikes start together, shorter group breaks off midway.

Meet at Batsto Visitors Center

November 08

Thursday
07:30 PM

MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

CLUB MEETING AT 7:30 pm. Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill. All welcome.

Meet at Cherry Hill Library

November 09

Friday
07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

November 10

Saturday
12:01 AM

Double Trouble State Park and Jakes Branch

This will be a moderate pace hike, 10-12 miles. We begin at Double Trouble State Park on sandy trails through the Pine Barrens and around cranberry bogs. After lunch we continue through the Pine Barrens at Jakes Branch. Both parks have rest rooms and visitors center.

Double Trouble State Park

Pinewald Road-Bayville NJ

Jakes Branch

1100 Double Trouble Road-Beachwood, NJ

New Leader: Al DiCianni 973 455-7262 email-asilviod888@yahoo.com

Meet at Double Trouble State Park

November 11

Sunday
09:30 AM

Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan will be coming soon. Maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open so plan a visit to help support this historic Village. Everything is done by volunteers and sometimes they can't get coverage to open the store. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

November 11

Sunday
09:45 AM

Wissahickon & Creshiem Explorer by Rich Kranz

Wissahickon & Creshiem Explorer by Rich Kranz. 8 miles. Moderate pace. Following the Orange Trail, we'll traverse the Fingerspan Bridge and pass Devils Pool on our way to lunch spot at Valley

Green Inn. Afterwards, we will head upland along the scenic Cresheim Creek and wander through a stand of majestic pine trees with the sound of pine needles crunching underfoot before returning to the rocks, sand and mud. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Sorry, but due to trail detours, there is no wimp-out available on this hike. Bring or buy lunch at Valley Green. No Pets. Meet at 9:45 a.m. at Henry Ave. and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856 -316-6292
Meet at Henry Ave. & Walnut Lane Parking Lot

November 11

Sunday
10:00 AM

Estell Manor Atlantic County Park Mays Landing

approx. 7 miles many chances for shorter opt outs.

On the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day
see the ruins of 100 year old munitions factory
Bethlehem Loading Company, a testament to
American patriotism and workers
Leader Suzanne Towey

Meet at Estell Manor Park

November 12

Monday
09:00 AM

Walk From Bullock

A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts in Greenwood Forest Wildlife Management Area. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Leader: Jay Schoss (609) 283 0252 or tree2short@aol.com at least a day prior for more info.

Meet at RR Crossing in Bullock

November 14

Wednesday
10:00 AM

2 HIKES BEYOND MARTHA

2 Hikes beyond Martha. 1st hike 9 miles moderate pace, will hike to Buck Run. Leader Chris Den-neler, 609-351-2789, email cdenneler157@yahoo.com 2nd hike 5 miles moderate pace , will go to Cutt's pump house. Leader Pat Burton, 609-472-8128, email camperpat123@aol.com . Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at Harrisville Pond , Rt. 679 a spur of Rt 563 SE of Chatsworth. Check Meetup and ocsj.org for changes and cancellations. Both hikes start together , the short hike breaks away midway, you can make your decision then.

Meet at Harrisville Pond

November 16

Friday
07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

November 17

Saturday
09:30 AM

Conowingo Dam & Susquehanna State Park (Maryland)

A popular hike that bears repeating! If you like Eagles, you wont want to miss this hike.

Another great turnout again last year, so we'll do it again. I never get tired of watching eagles.

YOU WILL SEE EAGLES

The Bald Eagles at Conowingo Dam are world famous. When the days get cooler and shorter, the population begins to rapidly grow and one can frequently see up to 100 eagles in a day. This is a huge migration stop for many birds. As the dam opens to allow water though to produce electric, fish get churned up and stunned. It's a buffet for the birds. If you stay long enough, you'll see them "fish" for their food.

Link to one mans blog to visiting the dam. (<http://bellaremyphotography.com/2012/12/09/a-visitors-guide-to-the-bald-eagles-at-conowingo-dam/>)

Link to Susquehanna State Park (<http://dnr2.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/central/susquehanna.aspx>)

We'll meet at the dam at said time. The parking gets a little tricky. Because of the popularity of this place, in the fall they run a shuttle to the dam parking lot while you park up on an access road.

Plan on doing this and allow time. They run buses all day long.

Bring a camera and binoculars. We'll hang out here at the dam for a bit to watch the eagles and take pictures before heading to Susquehanna park. The hike begins at the dam. The first 2 miles

and last 2 miles are nice flat ground. We walk along the Susquehanna River on the Heritage Greenway Trail. That will take us into the Susquehanna State park and into the park trails. Lots diverse trails here. We'll be crossing streams and doing some rock hopping, you may get your feet wet so plan accordingly, maybe a extra pair of dry socks.

Please know your limits. There is some elevation climbs on this hike. All total we'll hike around 10 total miles and be on the trails for about 4.5 - 5 hours. The hike ends back at the dam where we parked. We can hang out some more and take more pictures.

Bring lunch and plenty of water. It may/will be cold, so dress accordingly.

On the way back we can stop and grab some dinner in the nearby town of Port Deposit. This town is a charming little town with lots of history and charm.

For those that want to carpool, set something up on your own as I'll be leaving early to try and park at the dam to shuttle people back to their cars. It's About an 1 1/2 ride from the Deptford mall area with no traffic.

Leader: Doug Hillebrecht

Work #, 9-5 Monday-Friday - 856-309-8817

Cell 856-816-8824 (till 9:30 pm)

Meet at Conowingo Dam

November 17

Saturday
09:30 AM

BBB

9:30 six to eight mi. moderate pace. Join me in a hike mostly on sand and forest roads out to the beautiful lake at North Branch bogs where a bald eagle was spotted last year. We will take a brief snack break to take in the scenery. I leave on time so make sure you know where we are meeting on Route 70. Leader: Faye cell 912-433-8257 **We meet at the sign that says BBB on Route 70, 2 tenths of a mile past Route 530 heading East on Route 70.**

November 17

Saturday
10:00 AM

South Valley Woods

SOUTH VALLEY WOODS. 5 miles. We start at the Moorestown Library and follow the Mt Holly Branch railroad tracks to reach the South Valley woods. Wet feet likely. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Moorestown Library

November 18

Sunday
09:30 AM

Whitebog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan will coming but maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on Route 70 to Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

November 19

Monday
09:30 AM

Hike the Yellow Trail/Purple/White from Atsion to Batsto

meet at batsto shuttle atsion and hike back to batsto 10 miles moderate pace

Meet at Batsto Visitors Center Parking

November 21

Wednesday
09:30 AM

Jakes Branch

9 a.m. 3.8 to 5 mi. Moderate pace. Join me in this 400-acre park on an easy trail through the beautiful woods in Ocean County. This area used to be the home of the Lenni-Lenape Indians. There is very nice Nature Center and bathrooms. We will meet in the parking lot. Dogs are allowed in this wonderful park but must be on leash and in the back of the group. I leave on time so make sure you know where the starting point is. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Jakes Branch County Park

November 21

Wednesday
10:00 AM

5.5 MILES ALONG THE MULLICA RIVER

SHORT WARM UP HIKE FOR THANKSGIVING . BRING LUNCH, BEVERAGE, RAIN GEAR AND SOMETHING LIKE A TRASH BAG TO SIT ON FOR LUNCH. HEAVY RAIN CANCELS. LEADER. PAT BURTON. 609 472 8128 camperpat123@aol.com

Meet at Atison Ranger Station

November 23

Friday
10:00 AM

The Hills of Wells Mills Turkey Trot with Toni

We will do the un-usual, and hike trail backwards, save the highest hills for after lunch. we will hike

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10:00 AM

five have lunch by the lake a hike five more or there abouts. This is a club tradition once lead by Dave and Julie. helps us keep the tradition alive.

Leader: Toni 609-903-6775

Meet at Wells Mill County Park

November 23

Friday

07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

November 24

Saturday

10:00 AM

Give Thanks/Give Back Trail Work

We will thank Mother Nature for giving us this beautiful area for hiking by trimming her Batona Trail and touching up her trail blazes. We will work about 2 hours then have lunch at the picnic tables. Bring water, gloves, clippers or loppers and lunch. The leaders will provide dessert. Bad weather cancels and a notice will be posted by 8am on meet up. Leaders: Rosemarie and Diane Mason romason@comcast.net

Meet at Batsto Village

November 25

Sunday

09:30 AM

Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan are on their way, if not already here. Maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

November 25

Sunday

10:00 AM

NORTH WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE by Rich Kranz

NORTH WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE. 5 or 8 miles, moderate pace. Come explore one of the most awesome urban wilderness areas in the country! We'll start out at Andorra and work our way down to Valley Green for lunch. We'll also be checking out the the Falls, Indian Statue and a Covered Bridge along the way. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp-out at 5 miles. Bring or buy lunch at Valley Green. NP. Inclement weather may cancel. Check Meetup for any updates. Meet at 10:00 a.m. at Andorra Nature Center, Ridge and Northwestern Aves, Phila. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-316-6292,

Meet at Andorra Natural Area

November 26

Monday

09:30 AM

Michael Huber

9:30 6 to 6 1/2 miles, moderate pace. Join me on some sand roads and some trails. There are two water crossings, one has a board, one depends on how much rain there has been. You will have to go from hummock to hummock for a very short distance to get across. I only make necessary stops. I also leave on time so make sure you know where you're going to meet us. Leader: Faye cell 912-433-8257

Meet at Michael Huber Prairie Preserve

November 27

Tuesday

10:00 AM

Trail Work Tuesday

Trail Work Tuesdays Are Back!! With the cooler weather the chiggers should be gone and we can get our trails back in shape. There's so much to do and help is needed. Besides trimming and re blazing, we have a sign project for the Batona and a footbridge to replace in the Franklin Parker section. Check meetup weekly for our meeting place and project. Like last season, hot chocolate and cookies will be served. Leaders: Rosemarie and Diane Mason and Pat Burton aka Camper Pat romason@comcast.net

November 28

Wednesday

HISTORIC HAMMONTON HIKE

HISTORIC HAMMONTON HIKE. 5-7 miles easy walk thru historic district of Hammonton, then

10:00 AM

down to Hammonton Lake State Park for lunch. Back to Hammonton to finish the historic tour. Stop for a treat after the hike. Meet at the historic train station on Bellview Av. (Rt. 54) and Railroad Av. Bad weather cancels. Leader: Noel Wirth, ocncw101@comcast.net. 609-938-0418.

Meet at Hammonton Train Station

November 28

Wednesday

10:00 AM

Parker Preserve

we will hike along the water, see the beaver dams get out into the open bogs, see the big chairs and head on back to the cars. bring lunch and be prepared for the weather and maybe windy areas on the trail.

Meet at SOUTH ENTRANCE OF PARKER PRESERVE

November 30

Friday

07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

December

December 02

Sunday

09:30 AM

Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 miles moderate pace. The swan are on the way and may already be here. Maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

December 02

Sunday

10:00 AM

CHESTNUT HILL HIKE by Rich Kranz

CHESTNUT HILL HIKE. 4 or 8 miles, moderate pace. Hiking and then lunch in the Wissahickon Gorge. After lunch, it's your choice of an easy 4 mile walk back to the cars or 8 miles with the leader up the Cresheim Creek and into Chestnut Hill, all decorated in its Christmas finery. Browse, stay for dinner. Rugged terrain and city sidewalks. Bring or buy lunch at Valley Green Inn, NP. Nasty weather may cancel. Check Meetup for updates. Meet at 10:00 a.m. in front of Bruno's at Northwestern and Germantown Aves in Chestnut Hill. (Your GPS may show this as "Lafayette Hill, Pa") Parking available along Northwestern Ave

Leader: Rich Kranz, (856) 316+6292, streetpilot58@gmail.com

Meet at BRUNOS

December 04

Tuesday

07:30 PM

Moorestown Walks by David Bicking

Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown's historic streets. This isn't an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.

Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Moorestown Library

December 05

Wednesday

10:00 AM

PENNYPACK-LORIMER PARKS HIKE by Jerry (Lunch Stop Amenities Included)

About 9-10 miles, EASY PACE of 2.5 mph or less (leader likes to stop and share his knowledge of points of interest). Some points of interest include amazing 'Council Rock', a teeny tiny wooden covered bridge and hurricane high water marks. Doing something different this time. We will hike park trails in the morning and do urban street walking in the afternoon. Exact mileage will depend upon weather & trail conditions. Come enjoy these lovely parks with their beautiful hiking trails. Meet at Bustleton Ave. & Benton St. park entrance. (See the map) Cross Tacony-Palmyra bridge into Philadelphia; take Levick St. to Roosevelt Blvd. (Rt. 1). Turn right onto Rt. 1-N. center lanes;

go about 2.5 miles (past Rhawn St.) to Strahle St. and turn left. Take Strahle to Bustleton Ave. and turn right. Go about 1/2 mile to Benton St. on the left at bottom of the hill. (Disregard the Benton St. that is on the right before the bottom of the hill.) Turn L. into Benton & park on either side of the street. Check meetup listing for possible changes if rain or excessive heat is forecast. Leader does not hike in bad weather. Please RSVP only if you ARE coming. We will eat our lunch at the beautiful picnic grove in Lorimer Park (picnic tables, rest rooms & water fountain). NP .Leader: Jerry Goldstein; jerryhyker@yahoo.com Cell: 609-668-8776 on day of hike.

Meet at Pennypack Park, Philadelphia, PA 19152

December 07

Friday
07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

December 09

Sunday
10:00 AM

Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 mi, moderate pace. The swan may be here and hopefully we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store is run by volunteers and if they have coverage may be open. Plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. It may take you on a dead end or a sand road with large puddles. Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

December 10

Monday
09:00 AM

Walk From Bullock

A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts in Greenwood Forest Wildlife Management Area. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Leader: Jay Schoss (609) 283 0252 or tree2short@aol.com at least a day prior for more info.

Meet at RR Crossing in Bullock

December 12

Wednesday
09:30 AM

Michael Huber

9:30 6 to 6 1/2 miles, moderate pace. Join me on some sand roads and some trails. There are two water crossings, one has a board, one depends on how much rain there has been. You will have to go from hummock to hummock for a very short distance to get across. I only make necessary stops. I also leave on time so make sure you know where you're going to meet us. Leader: Faye cell 912-433-8257

Meet at Michael Huber Prairie Preserve

December 13

Thursday
07:30 PM

MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

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CLUB MEETING AT 7:30 pm. Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill. All welcome.

Meet at Cherry Hill Library

December 14

Friday
07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks). Leaders: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

December 15

Saturday

HOLIDAY HIKES and TAILGATE

2 hikes. 1st HIKE meets at 9:30 am, 6-7 miles moderate pace. Leaders Pat and Bob Bur-

09:30 AM

ton, 609-472-8128, Email, camperpat@hotmail.com . 2nd HIKE meets at 11:00 am. 3-4 miles , easy pace. Leader Janet Horton, 609-706-5691, Email janeth1@comcast.net. TAILGATE. An OCSJ tradition. Hot soup and Holiday goodies for all. Bring something to share. Tailgate organizer, Christine Denneker, 609-351-2789, Email cdenneker157@yahoo.com. Food will be served when all hikers have returned. Meet at Pakim Pond in the Brendan Byrne SF, entrance off Rt72, 1 mile SE of the Four Mile Circle. Check Meetup and ocsj.org for changes or cancellations.

Meet at Pakim Pond Brendan Byrne State Forest, Woodland Township

December 16

Sunday

10:00 AM

Whitesbog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 mi, moderate pace. The swan will probably be here and hopefully we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. The store may be open, so plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. It has taken people down a dead-end or a sand road with big puddles . Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

December 19

Wednesday

10:00 AM

PARKER PRESERVE HIKE.

PARKER PRESERVE HIKE. 6 miles moderate pace. We'll do the Red Trail. A very scenic hike. Good for beginners .Bring lunch and beverage . Meet at Parker Preserve parking off Rt 532 across from Chatsworth Lake. Leaders Chris Denneker, 609-351-2789. Email cdenneker157@yahoo.com. Pat Burton 609-472-8128. Email camperpat123@aol.com. Check Meetup and ocsj.org for changes and cancellations.

Meet at Franklin Parker Preserve

December 19

Wednesday

06:00 PM

Lenola Christmas lights

Lenola Christmas Lights. 3 miles. Easy Pace.

Let's find the festive lights of the Lenola Section of Moorestown.

Meet in the parking light on Camden Avenue near the traffic light.

Leader: David Bicking dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Family Dollar

December 21

Friday

06:00 PM

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS OF MOORESTOWN

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS OF MOORESTOWN. 4 miles, easy pace. We start at the Moorestown Library and search the streets of Moorestown for the cheeriest holiday displays. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Library Entrance.

Meet at Moorestown Library

December 21

Friday

07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks). Leaders: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

December 22

Saturday

03:00 PM

Full Moon in the Wissahickon by Rich Kranz

Wissahickon Full Moon Hike. 6.5 miles. Moderate Pace... From the golf course, we will head north on the Yellow Trail. At the halfway point we will take a dinner break at the Valley Green Inn and then head south on the Orange trail under the light of a full moon (hopefully) and explore Shakespeare Rock, Devils Pool and the Fingerspan Bridge if the ambient light permits. This hike is a bit shorter than my regular Wissahickon hikes so there is no wimp out. Limited to 20 RSVP's. If you can't come be sure to cancel. Please do not come if you are not on the list. If you have balance issues or trouble seeing in the dark this hike may not be for you. Bring food, beverage, flashlight and meet at the Golf Course parking lot at Henry Ave and Walnut Lane. Rugged Terrain. Sturdy shoes required. No Pets. Freezing or Inclement weather may cancel so check Meetup for updates. Leader; Rich Kranz 856 -316-6292.

Meet at Henry Ave. & Walnut Lane Parking Lot

December 23

Sunday
10:00 AM

Whitebog stroll

9 a.m. 4 to 6 mi, moderate pace. The swan should be here and maybe we will spot the resident bald eagles. Dogs on leash in the back are welcome. Bring your lunch and sit on the porch to enjoy the day. If the store is open, plan a visit to help support this historic village. Do not follow your GPS. It has taken people down a dead-end or on a sand road with big puddles. Stay on Rt. 530 until you see the White's bogs street sign. Call my cell in case you need directions. Leader: Faye 912-433-8257

Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

December 23

Sunday
04:30 PM

Medford Christmas lights

Medford Christmas Lights. 4 miles. Easy Pace.

Let's find the festive lights of Medford.

Meet in the parking light of the Shop Rite on Rt 70, just east of Rt 541.

Leader: David Bicking dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at ShopRite Medford

December 26

Wednesday
10:00 AM

CHRISTMAS TIME AT SMITHVILLE

CHRISTMAS TIME AT SMITHVILLE. 5 miles, easy pace. A leisurely stroll along the Rancocas creek to Smithville lake and around the mansion. Meet at Smith's Wood parking lot along Railroad Avenue. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Historic Smithville Park - Smith Woods

December 28

Friday
07:00 PM

Friday Nite Fitness Hike

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Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds

December 30

Sunday
10:00 AM

Whitesbog stroll

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Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village

January 01

Tuesday
10:00 AM

NEW YEARS DAY HIKE.

NEW YEARS DAY HIKE; 6 miles moderate pace. Nice views of the Mullica River. A great start to 2019! Bring lunch and beverage. Meet in field next to the Atsion Office off Rt 206 . Leaders Chris Denneker 609-351-2789, email cdenneker157@yahoo.com. Pat and Bob Burton 609-472-8128, email camperpat123@aol.com Check meetup and ocsj.org for changes and cancellations.

Meet at Atsion Ranger Station

January 01

Tuesday
07:30 PM

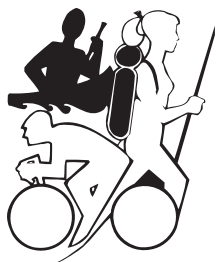
Moorestown Walks by David Bicking

Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown's historic streets. This isn't an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.

Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com

Meet at Moorestown Library





OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey is a not for profit organization dedicated to providing opportunities for extending the individual's awareness, knowledge, appreciation, and enjoyment of the environment through experiences in outdoor activities.

The Club is committed to the wise use, preservation, and respect for the outdoors and its natural beauty.

The Club is made up of people of all ages who are involved with the outdoors. All activities are led by volunteer members. The Club offers all members an opportunity to be a part of or to create their own outdoor experience or activity. The activity in any one schedule represents what the advisory committees and leaders want to do for the general membership. The Club represents a 52 week, year round program of outdoor activities consisting of backpacking, bicycling, camping, canoeing/kayaking, cross country skiing, and hiking.

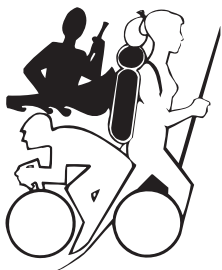
While most of the activities center around the South Jersey area in nearby state parks and forests, local rural roads, and small rivers of the pine barrens, they have also ranged north to Maine, south to Virginia, and as far west as California.

The individual members' involvement, efforts, volunteer hours, and special contributions are what make the Outdoor Club of South Jersey unique.

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