

# OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

## Trekker

# Spring 2013

### **\*SAVE THESE DATES\***

*See Upcoming Events for Information*

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2013**

Annual Spring Picnic at Pakim Pond  
Morning and Afternoon Hikes, Bike Rides,  
Canoeing and Kayaking.

*See Page 16 for Details*



**SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2013**

Washington, DC Self-Guided Bus Trip  
Advanced Reservations are a must.

*See Page 8 for Details*

**SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013**

Après Ski Party - 3 p.m.

Hosted by John and Ann Palaitis

61 Hinchman Road, Medford, NJ 08055

Meet leaders and discuss upcoming trips.

*See Page 4 for Details*

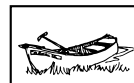


**JUNE 14-16, 2013**

Historic Cape May Weekend  
Chalfonte Hotel

Three days of fun filled activities.

*See Page 10 to Sign-Up*



*Celebrating 47 Years of Outdoor Experiences!*

CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOUR COMPUTER AT [WWW.OCSJ.ORG](http://WWW.OCSJ.ORG)  
FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.  
CYCLISTS JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR THE LATEST 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.

## A Message From The President



The annual club picnic is scheduled for April 27 at Pakim Pond. You can read the details in the April section of this Trekker, but I wanted to mention two additional points here. First, if you are coming, see if you can bring a prospective member along as a guest. We always are looking for new members and the picnic is a great way to introduce someone to the club. Second, running our club and offering the wealth of activities we do takes a lot of work on the part of a lot of dedicated leaders. We realize not everyone can be a leader, but if you would like to do something small to help the club, the picnic is one opportunity. We need helpers to set up, serve food and clean up afterwards. If you are able to help, please email me.

This year, two new trustees have joined the club's Board of Trustees, replacing three others who completed their terms. Thank you Jerry Goldstein, Tom Neigel and Bill Poulson for your years of dedicated service to the club. Thank you Kathy Clements and Joe Rottinger for joining the board.

Last year, we made it possible to join our club and pay dues on line at our web site, [www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org). With each passing month, more and more people are using it. It's a convenient way to renew your dues. At our web site, home page, scroll down to the bottom and click on Click here for details.

Bruce Steidel  
[President@ocsj.org](mailto:President@ocsj.org)

## *Coming Events*

**CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOUR COMPUTER AT ([WWW.OCSJ.ORG](http://WWW.OCSJ.ORG)) FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.**

**CYCLISTS JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR THE LATEST TRIP INFORMATION. FOR DETAILS GO TO THE BICYCLING HOME PAGE.**

**APRIL 27 ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC.** Come join us at the annual club picnic! There will be morning and afternoon hikes, a hybrid bike ride and canoeing and kayaking opportunities in Pakim Pond. If you have never paddled but would like to try it, this is your chance. There will be canoes and kayaks to try and instructors to guide you. The morning hike begins at 9:00 am. Arrive fifteen minutes early to participate in it. Food and drink will be served starting at noon at the pavilion, followed by an afternoon hybrid ride at 1:30 p.m. and a hike at 2:00 p.m. Meet at Pakim Pond. The picnic is totally free. All members and prospective members are welcome. Bring a chair. Don't miss the favorite club event! If you would like to bring a picnic food to share, feel free to do so, but email [president@ocsj.org](mailto:president@ocsj.org) so we can plan the food properly.

**APRIL 12-14 RICHARD GREVE MEMORIAL VOLUNTEER TRIP TO HARPER'S FERRY, WV.** This is a volunteer trip to assist the Appalachian Trail Conservancy with whatever they need. Richard felt this was a way to "give back" to an organization that continues to make the Trail such a wonderful experience. So if you can get into little physical labor, or even boring office drudgery, we work on Saturday play on Sunday and get 2 free nights at the Hostel. Call Eileen Greve, 609-204-6451, [egreve212@gmail.com](mailto:egreve212@gmail.com)

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## *Coming Events (continued from page 3)*

**APRIL 13-14 BACKPACKING COVE MOUNTAIN, DUNCANNON AND PETER'S MT. RIDGE ON THE AT.** See listing/website.

**MAY 4 WASHINGTON DC BUS TRIP AND SELF-GUIDED TOUR.** Packed with famous sights, celebrated symbols of patriotism, free attractions, the sights and sounds of the nation's capital offer inspiring experiences COST: \$30.00 per person. All payments must be made by April 25, 2013. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST. Order tickets as soon as possible. We need an early response, in order not to disappoint anyone. First come, first serve. No reserved seats.**

First come, first serve. No reserved seats. Please include your telephone number and E-mail address (also cell phone number for the day of the trip). For a receipt, include self-addressed stamped envelope. All sales final. For refund, tickets must be re-sold. (Look at website for update) at 7:00 a.m. Bus departs promptly at 7:30 a.m., rain or shine. Arrive DC 10 -11 a.m. Depart DC 5:00 p.m. Arrival time from DC approximately 830 p.m. (Volunteer gratuity for driver) Leader: Fran Katella.

E-mail: frankatella3@gmail.com or (856) 313-3794. See page 8 for registration form

**MAY 9 OPEN CLUB MEETING AND PIZZA SOCIAL.** – Open club meeting at 7:00 p.m. in Cherry Hill Library followed by pizza social at 7:30 p.m. next door at Vitarelli's Restaurant, 1250 North Kings Highway, Cherry Hill. Open to all members and prospective members. Come out and hear about what the club has planned for the next several months. Let us know what else you would like to see our club do. Voice your ideas or listen to ours. Meet other club members. All are welcome.

**MAY 11-12 BACKPACK EASY SECTION OF PA APPALACHIAN TRAIL SECTION HIKE.** See Listing/Website.

**MAY 17-19 KAYAK MALLOWS BAY (HOME TO THE GHOST FLEET).** See Listing/Website.

**MAY 18 ANNUAL APRES SKI PARTY.** This years Apres Ski party will be hosted by John and Ann Palaitis on Saturday May 18 at 3:00 pm. Come out and meet your leaders and hear about the upcoming trips. Please contact John and Ann and let them know that you are coming and what dish you will be bringing. John and Ann Palaitis 61 Hinchman Road, Medford, NJ 08055. E-mail palaitis@verizon.net, 856-810-2478.

**MAY 18-19 BACKPACKING CLARK CREEK TO SWATARA GAP ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL.** See Listing/Website.

**MAY 31-JUNE 2 POCOMOKE RIVER SPRING KAYAK TRIP.** See listing/website.

**JUNE 14-16 HISTORIC CAPE MAY WEEKEND.** To start the summer session, you are cordially invited to join us for our annual Cape May outing. Our headquarters will be the Chalfonte hotel. Our weekend starts with a Friday night welcome buffet spaghetti/pasta party (a time to plan what you want to do). Breakfast is provided on both Saturday and Sunday. Please sign up early, as this will help us complete our plans to make our 2013 trip enjoyable for all. If you have any questions, or need more information, contact Jim Bodnar at 609-654-1507 e-mail: JRBodnar@verizon.net or Fran Horn at 856-786-0048 e-mail: FranHorn@aol.com See page 10 / Website for details and sign-up form.

**DETAILS COMING - SPRING BICYCLING ROAD COURSE.** A Saturday in the Spring. Exact date TBD will be placed on the website. Learn about bicycle handling and safety, and emergency maneuvers. Presenter Fran Horn, 856-786-0048.

**CANOE/KAYAK SOJOURNS.** They are events in the Spring sponsored by various organizations to showcase a particular river. Participants pay a modest fee that covers camping sites, meals, programs, support and most shuttles. You determine the length of stay.

**JUNE 1-7 SCHUYLKILL RIVER SOJOURN:** [www.schuylkillriver.org/Sojourn.aspx](http://www.schuylkillriver.org/Sojourn.aspx)

**JUNE 22-29 DELAWARE RIVER SOJOURN:** [www.delawareriversojourn.org/](http://www.delawareriversojourn.org/)

For details contact Frank Pearce, hornet71@verizon.net or 856-767-2780.

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## *Coming Events (continued from page 4)*

**JUNE 8-9 BEGINNER'S BACKPACKING TRIP! PETERS MOUNTAIN TO CLARK CREEK ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL.** See Listing/Website.

**JUNE 23 JOSEPH TRUJILLO MEMORIAL HIKE AND PICNIC.** 5-6 miles at easy to moderate pace. We'll hike to one of Joe's favorite place's, then back to Harrisville Pond for a picnic. Bring something to share and a chair. Leader will provide grill table, utensils hot dogs and ice tea. Those who just want to picnic and remember Joe come between 12-12:30. Meet at Harrisville Pond Rt. 679 a spur of Rt. 563. Leader Christine Denneker, 609-351-2789, cdenneker157@yahoo.com

**PROPOSED DATES FOR SEPTEMBER IN WESTERN MAINE - SEPTEMBER 8-13 & SEPTEMBER 15-20.** Price is \$1,273 all included, cabin, food, shuttles, guide, tax, tips. Kayaks are available if needed and requested at registration time. Location: Bald Mountain Camps, Oquossoc, ME. ([www.baldmountaincamps.com](http://www.baldmountaincamps.com)) Historic sporting camp located on pristine Mooselookmeguntic Lake. Activities: several hiking options (mountaintops, water falls, backwoods roads, a piece of the A.T.), kayaking/canoeing, biking, golfing, tennis, photography, wildlife viewing, geocaching, sunsets, moonrises, starlight, loon calls to appreciate, or slip into Rangeley if civilization required. Trip includes: guided kayaking or canoeing pristine lakes and rivers with our host and Registered Maine Guide, Steve Philbrick, log cabins with fireplace, wood, bath, linens, porch, meals in the lodge dining room for first class breakfasts and dinners, sack lunches for the trail. Happy to answer questions. Contact: Judy Norcross, 609-288-6737.

**SEPTEMBER 19-22 ASSATEAGUE ISLAND CAMP AND BEACH WEEKEND.** Camp at the Federal campground on Assateague Island. Enjoy a relaxing weekend on the beach along with some light hiking, kayaking and an optional group dinner in town, Fiddlers Festival or Kite festival are options. Contact leader to confirm trip participation and campground information. Participants will be responsible for their own campsite reservations. We are in Bayside Loop C. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or [pis1@cccnj.net](mailto:pis1@cccnj.net) Assateague's north entrance is at the end of Route 611, eight miles south of Ocean City, MD.

**VOLUNTEER VACATIONS.** Enjoy an inspiring and unforgettable week vacationing in America's national parks, forests, state parks, and other public lands, while repairing and restoring trails – and rejuvenating your mind, body, and spirit! Volunteer Vacations are a series of trail building projects on America's public lands. Experience the camaraderie and sense of accomplishment after building a bridge or restoring a neglected trail. For more information, contact Shirley Hearn, Volunteer Programs Manager, at 800-972-8608, ext. 206, or by e-mail at [Volunteer@AmericanHiking.org](mailto:Volunteer@AmericanHiking.org)

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## **NEWS AND NOTES**

### **CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST TRIP INFORMATION INCLUDING ADDITIONS AND CANCELLATIONS.**

Bicycling has become the third activity to utilize meetup. You will notice that when you click on the Hiking and Canoeing Schedule pages, you are now 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/](http://meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/)

**Bicycling:** Meetup site: [www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey](http://www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey)

**Canoeing:** Meetup site: [www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/](http://www.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.

## TRAIL MAINTENANCE

The hiking trails our club enjoys are available primarily due the efforts of volunteers, just ordinary people. Among other things, our club helps to maintain the BATONA Trail. If you can help, contact Jack Dalton or Rosemarie Mason for what needs to be done. You can contact Jack at w2hds@comcast.net. or Rosemarie at



609-404-9587, email:  
romason@comcast.net

Leaders be aware that the Club is now a participating member in the New Jersey Parks VIP (Volunteers In Parks) program. This means that trail maintenance we organize in State Parks is to be run through the VIP Program This requires notifying the park before the activity, and sending a copy of our sign-in sheet to the

park. We are not permitted to use power tools of any type. Trail maintenance done on trails not on NJ State Park property must be reviewed by the board for coverage.

## 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 connecte therewith. All persons, MEMBERS ALIKE, are to sign with the leader at each activity.



## BICYCLING

### A Message From the Bicycling Activity Chair



Hey Everyone,

In the 2012 Spring Chair message, I noted that it was 57 °F on the day I wrote the message (February 1st). Coincidentally, as I write this message on January 30th, the forecast high for today is 62 °F – I guess we can plan on warm weather on the day I write the Spring Chair message!

I guess with CD's and digital downloads, the term "broken record" is disappearing from the modern lexicon. But, before it disappears completely, I will call myself a broken record. WE NEED LEADERS; the current February ride list has just 5 rides. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE consider leading a ride.

Also, you may have heard and seen that we are transitioning the ride list from the ocsj.org website and moving it to Meetup.com. The club is trying to reach more potential members by listing our activities on a more visible medium, and Meet-up seems to be a perfect fit. There are OCSJ Meet-up sites for cycling, hiking/camping/backpacking, and canoeing/kayaking. If you haven't checked it out yet, you can see the Bicycling Meetup site by going to [www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey/](http://www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey/) or the Bike Schedule page on [www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org) (you will be automatically redirected to the Meetup site). If you have any feedback on Meetup, please let me know.

As always, thanks for riding with the club. See you out on the road!!

Happy Cycling,  
Tony Marchionne  
[tonymarch@iwon.com](mailto:tonymarch@iwon.com)  
609-828-0268



## CANOEOING/KAYAKING

### A Message from the Canoeing/Kayaking Chair



You have probably already noticed that when you click on Canoe Schedule on our OCSJ website, you see a message that you will be re-directed to the canoe meetup site in 5 seconds. Meetup has been used for some time as our schedule location. Meetup site changes required us to re-direct to their site rather than just posting on the OCSJ website. Other than a 5 second delay, nothing has changed.

Always check the website for current information. None of these activities would have been possible without the leaders who volunteer their talent and time. I want to thank them. When you are on a trip take the time to thank them and consider becoming a leader.

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 and parent or 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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## HIKING

The Event Lists for the hiking/Camping/Backpacking sections on the website ([www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org)) have changed. You may have already noticed that when you go to the scheduling page, in 5 seconds you are re-directed to a meetup page. You then see our events listed on the Meet-up site. OCSJ uses this tool, so that leaders can enter and manage their own events. There are many advantages. Leaders and viewers can now see events way into the future, even as they are being entered by the leaders.

Leaders can now view open dates and place their trips accordingly. We suggest you view the listings via the calendar function, scrolling through months using the forward and reverse arrows next to the month label. Then select an event to display more information, details, and contact information.

### Grand Mile Hiking Club for 2013

The Grand Mile Club began anew on January 1. Are you goal oriented? Looking for an interesting challenge? 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](mailto:wpoul42@gmail.com) or 856-983-7609.

## HIKE DESCRIPTIONS

- **EASY** - pace defined as slower walking with more frequent rest breaks (e.g. for viewing surroundings, nature calls, equipment adjustments, and allowing walkers to catch up). For the slower walker.
- **MODERATE** - pace defined as as comfortable walking with occasional rest breaks. For the average walker.
- **BRISK** - pace defined as faster walking with occasional rest breaks. For the average, better conditioned walker.
- **FAST** - pace defined as fitness walking with few rest breaks for any reason. For seasoned, in fit condition walkers.

## HIKING GUIDE

Hike distances are in miles, and may optionally be followed by hike duration in hours. The following codes are used to show unusual features of a hike:

**BW** - Bushwhacking

**WF** - Wet feet possible

**NS** - No stops

**NP** - No pets

**NC** - No children

**FS** - Few stops

**LP** - Leashed Pet

Refer to the page listing Standard Meeting Places for directions to hikes.



## X/C SKIING and SNOWSHOEING

### A Message from the X/C Skiing & Snowshoeing Chair



I hope that everybody had a good time skiing and snowshoeing this year. I would like to thank all of our leaders for their hard work planning and running our trips. If you would like to lead a trip or have ideas for new trips please contact me. The Après Ski Party will be on Saturday, May 18th. All club members are invited. Thank you Ann and John Palaitis for hosting the Après Ski Party. See the write up on page 4 for all of the information.

Thanks, Dennis McKane    Dennisfran1@verizon.net

## WASHINGTON DC BUS TRIP AND SELF- GUIDED TOUR

**Saturday, May 4, 2013**

Packed with famous sights, celebrated symbols of patriotism, free attractions, the sights and sounds of the nation's capital offer inspiring experiences. **COST: \$30.00 per person.** TO ORDER: Send check payable to OCSJ to Fran Katella, 905 Yarmouth Lane, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054. **All payments must be made by April 25, 2013 ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST.** Order tickets as soon as possible. We need an early response, in order not to disappoint anyone. First come, first serve. No reserved seats. Please include your telephone number and E-mail address (also cell phone number for the day of the trip). For a receipt, include self-addressed stamped envelope. All sales final. For refund, tickets must be re-sold. Meet at Moorestown Mall (details TBD), off Rt. 38 at 7:00 a.m. Bus departs promptly at 7:30 a.m., rain or shine. Arrive DC 10 -11 a.m. Depart DC 5:00 p.m. Arrival time from DC approx. 830 p.m. (Volunteer gratuity for driver) Leader: Fran Katella: E-mail ftk111@yahoo.com or 856-313-3794



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YES! I want to participate in the Annual Washington, DC Bus Trip and Self-Guided Tour.

Enclosed is my payment. **PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO OCSJ**

NAME / PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

For a receipt, include self addressed stamped envelope.

Return this form to Fran Katella, 905 Yarmouth Lane, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

## STANDARD MEETING PLACES

*If the meeting place is one of the standard meeting places shown below, no directions will appear in the hike listing.*

**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 southeast 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 southeast 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** - 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 #340A. 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 northeast 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 southeast 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 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 right for the village.



# Historic Cape May Weekend

## Friday to Sunday June 14-16, 2013



To start the summer session, you are cordially invited to join us for our annual Cape May outing. Our headquarters, as in years past, will be **THE CHALFONTE**



**HOTEL**, 301 Howard Street, Cape May, New Jersey, 1-888-411-1998. Check in any time after 3:00 p.m. on Friday; check out by midday on Sunday.

This is a perfect outing for all club members. In addition to our popular 15-50 mile bike rides, there are also other activities available. These include paddling a kayak, shopping on the mall, historic walking tours (guided or on your own), nature hikes, bird watching, local theater, or just sit and rock on the porch. You can also visit the Cape May Zoo or take a ferryboat ride to Lewes, DE, a quaint place to spend some time. Many of us attend a play on Friday after dinner.

Our weekend starts with a Friday night **Welcome Buffet Spaghetti/Pasta Party** (a time to plan what you want to do). **Breakfast** is provided on both Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, there is a family style **sit down dinner** and followed by an **ice cream party**.

The entire cost for all of the above (room, meals, social gathering, and ice cream) is:

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|--------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Room for 2 with shared bath (one bed)      | \$200 per person |
| Room for 2 with private bath (2 beds)      | \$260 per person |
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### If interested, Please Contact the Leaders ASAP

*Please sign up early, as this will help us complete our plans to make our 2013 trip enjoyable for all. If you have any questions, or need more information, contact Jim Bodnar, 609-654-1507 e-mail: [JRBodnar@verizon.net](mailto:JRBodnar@verizon.net) or Fran Horn, 856-786-0048 e-mail: [FranHorn@aol.com](mailto:FranHorn@aol.com)*

Please send the entire amount for the weekend with the form below no later than April 15, 2013. It is refundable up to 60 days before the event. There is a \$25 service charge per room for cancellation.



**YES! I want to participate in the Annual Historic Cape May Weekend.**

**Enclose payment and send to Jim Bodnar, P.O. Box 493, Medford, NJ 08055**  
**Please make your check payable to OCSJ**

Name: Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer (circle selection) double room 1 bed w/shared bath, double room 2 beds w/private bath, single room with shared bath or single room w/ private bath

I will be sharing my room with: \_\_\_\_\_

Please pair me with a roommate: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in riding my bike to Cape May on Friday. (Bikers leave from Medford area) \_\_\_\_\_

**I am interested in leading an activity: hiking \_\_\_\_\_ biking \_\_\_\_\_ kayaking \_\_\_\_\_ Will you lead an activity? \_\_\_\_\_**

## Après Ski Party

Saturday May 18, 2013 - Time: 3:00

Where: John and Ann Palaitis

Address: 68 Hinchman Road, Medford, NJ 08055

Email: palaitis@verizon.net Phone: 856-810-2478

*Come out and meet your leaders and hear about the upcoming trips.*

*Please contact John and Ann and let them know that you are coming and what dish you will be bringing.*



## APRIL



"The most wasted days of all days is one without laughter."

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**APRIL 1**  
Monday  
10:00 am

**FOOL AROUND IN THE PINES.** Meet at the Lakeside parking at Harrisville for a 10:00 am walk up the Oswego River to Martha. 6-7 miles at a moderate pace. Meet at Harrisville Lake. Leader: Jay Schoss, walkinginmud@aol.com, 908-692-5765.

**APRIL 2**  
Tuesday  
9:45 am

**RAINBOW HIKE.** We will do our 8 miles at a moderate pace using several trails. This is hike you can't miss with great view of the parkway toll both and high-powered electric lines. There are also great stands of white pine and a historic site. Lunch is

at the picnic table near the end of the hike. Meet at Bass River State Forest. Leaders Toni, 609-652-0112 and Jan, 609-404-4990.

**APRIL 2**  
Tuesday  
7:30 pm

**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 outside the Moorestown Library. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

**APRIL 3**  
Wednesday  
9:30 am

**HIKE PARKER PRESERVE.** We'll choose the route, starting from the SOUTH gate of Parker on Rt. 563, based on the weather that day; severe weather such as thunderstorm, heavy rain, deep snow cancels. 8-9 miles at a moderate pace whichever way we go. Possible sightings: bald eagles, suspension bridge, oversize chairs, and old bogs. Easy hiking along the bogs but somewhat challenging on the red trail. Bring snack/light lunch and water. Meet at Franklin Parker Preserve. Leaders: Vera C. Stek verastek@verizon.net and Bill Schaefer 908-337-7040.

**APRIL 5**  
Friday  
7:00 pm



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**APRIL 6**  
Saturday  
6:00 am

**APEX HIKE.** The Outdoor Club of South Jersey's longest hike the 26.5 mile April Apex will be held on Saturday April 6. The hike leaves from Washington Crossing State Park in New Jersey. It consists of two hikes of 11 miles (start - 6:00 am) and 15.5 miles with a breakfast restaurant stop after the first section is completed. Club members not wishing to complete hike may do either of the hike sections. Meet at Washington Crossing State Park. An information sheet with all details on the APEX is available from Ray Wittkop: BarbRayHikers@aol.com or Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817: nofluke18@yahoo.com

**APRIL 6**  
Saturday  
10:00 am

**ALLAIRE STATE PARK.** 5 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at Allaire State Park at the Hospital Road parking lot along the hilly terrain of the Multi-use trails. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

**APRIL 7**  
Sunday  
9:00 am

**WALKING UP THE OSWEGO.** We walk upstream from the site of the lost town of Harrisville, past Martha and even beyond Buck Run. 10-12 miles at a moderate pace into the past. Meet at Harrisville Pond. Leader: Jay Schoss, walkinginmud@aol.com

**APRIL 7**  
Sunday  
11:00 am



**BATSTO 7+ MILE HIKE.** No Drop-Outs this time. 7+ miles. Moderate pace. NC NP. You need to be able to make the entire trip with no drop out possible. We'll go a bit farther and quicker deeper into the woods this time. Perhaps farther up the white

trail up along the Batsto looking for beaver lodges. Bring food and snacks for tailgate after the hike. Meet at Batsto Historic Village. Leader Tom Neigel:  
tomncenter-ocsj@yahoo.com, 609-206-3389.

**APRIL 8**

Monday  
10:00 am

**REEVES BOGS ROMP.** 5 miles more or less at an easy pace with a longer option. Meet at the tree in the field next to Reeves Bogs about 1½ miles in on Forest Road from the Lebanon Lakes light on highway 70. Leader: Faye batonawalk@aol.com

**APRIL 10**

Wednesday  
10:00 am

**HIKE TO NASH'S CABIN.** 10 miles at a moderate pace. We'll hike to the site of Nash's cabin for lunch. We'll hike on sand roads and trails. Visiting the old favorites of Martha's Furnace, Calico and Buck Run. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at Harrisville Pond Rt. 679 a spur of Rt. 563. Leaders Chris Dennele, 609-351-2789 cdennele157@yahoo.com Pat Burton, 856-767-8064.

**APRIL 11**

Thursday  
7:30 pm



**CLUB MEETING.** Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill.

**APRIL 12**

Friday  
10:00 am

**ONG'S HAT HIKE.** 11 miles, moderate pace (3mph) Hike from Ranger Station (Byrne Office parking lot) to Ong's Hat along the Batona Trail. Lunch at Cafe Apany (formerly Anapa's) is part of the hike. Those wishing to bring their own lunch are welcome, but need to recognize that are hike will not resume until the lunch at Apany is completed; or they can, if they choose, to finish the hike on their own. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest. Heavy rain/snow cancels. NP. Leaders: Bill Poulson, 856-983-76-09 and Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

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7:00 pm



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**APRIL 13-14**

Saturday  
9:00 am

**BACKPACKING COVE MOUNTAIN, DUNCANNON AND PETER'S MT RIDGE ON THE AT.** 16.0 miles: Strenuous: Hiking North to South: Day 1 is 11 miles, we'll start off ridge running to Peter's Mt. Summit, lunch at some terrific views of the valley; at the 6 mile mark, we'll descend to Clarks Ferry Bridge over the Susquehanna River and Duncannon, then climb back up to Hawk Rock (great views to the North), before ending at the Thelma Marks Memorial Shelter (Water, privy). On Sunday, we'll wake up and hike down about 5 miles to PA850 and head out. Maximum of 12 hikers. Hike Leader Kevin Drevik, kdrevik@aol.com or 856-630-2485.

**APRIL 13**

Saturday  
10:00 am

**MANNIS DUCK POND HIKE.** 8-10 MILES, moderate pace. Meet at Carranza memorial. Not named for some fowl, but refers to the places we'll visit. Devious and the Duck ponds.

Bring lunch. Meet at Carranza Memorial. Leaders: Dave and Julie Hegelein, 856235-8792. Cell, 609-332-9262

**APRIL 14**

Sunday  
10:00 am

**OSWEGO TAX TIME RIVER PADDLE.** We meet at Oswego Lake Put-In. Pack Lunch. Call or email to confirm. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

**APRIL 14**

Sunday  
10:45 am

**MID WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE .** 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. We'll check out Devils Pool, traverse the Fingerspan bridge, pause by "The Falls" and climb our way to the Indian Statue. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. Bring or buy lunch at the Valley Green Inn. NP. Meet 10:00 a.m. at Crate & Barrel, Cherry Hill Mall, or by 10:45 a.m. at Henry Ave. and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856 -316-6292, kranzdnr@verizon.net

**APRIL 15**

Monday  
10:00 am

**DEEP HOLLOW POND.** About 5 miles moderate pace. Hike from the park office to Deep Hollow Pond. Bring water, lunch for afterwards. Meet at Brendan Byrne Park Office. Hike Leaders: Janet Horton cell 609-706 5691 janeth1@comcast.net, Jack Dalton cell 609-287-3105, w2hds@comcast.net

**APRIL 16**

Tuesday  
10:00 am

**WALK THE ATLANTIC CITY BOARDWALK.** You paid your taxes yesterday so lets enjoy what we paid for and take a stroll on Atlantic Citys world famous boardwalk. If, the tide permits we can dip our toes in the ocean and walk the hard sand near the waters edge. Bring a drink and some snacks. You can buy lunch or picnic on the beach your choice. Leaders: Toni, 609-652-0112 or Jan, 609-404-4990.

**APRIL 17**

Wednesday  
9:00 am

**CANOE / KAYAK THE TOMS RIVER.** New for 2013. We'll start further up river and take out before the open water. Meet at the end of Edgemere Drive, off of Route 527. Go to the end of Edgemere and turn right on the dirt road to the parking area. It will be a seven mile trip. No quarters required, but wheels still come in handy. Call or e-mail Joe Logan to confirm attendance. 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com Note: trip may vary depending on water level or mood of the trip leader.

**APRIL 17**

Wednesday  
10:00 am

**3 B HIKE IN OCEAN CITY.** 7 miles. Walk on boardwalk, through gardens, over Longport Bridge. Lunch at fishing pier. Back along beach (tides permitting), back on boardwalk to starting point. Meet at 12th St. pavilion on boardwalk at 10 a.m. Noel Wirth, (609) 938-0418, ocncw101@comcast.net.

**APRIL 17**

Wednesday  
10:00 am

**YELLOW PURPLE GREEN TRAIL HIKE.** 10 miles, moderate pace (3mph). Meet at Atsion Recreation Office field (Rt. 206). Bring lunch. Will hike all or part of trails. Should return about 3 pm. Leader: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

**APRIL 19**

Friday  
7:00 pm



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**APRIL 20**

Saturday  
9:00 am

**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.**

Ten mile trip from Burlington County College to Smithville. Meet at canoe launch on Rancocas Road, BCC, off Route 530 in Pemberton. Bring lunch. Be ready to shuttle at 9 a.m., please arrive early. Contact Joe Logan, 609-634-1542 or e-mail mayandpops@aol.com to sign up.

**APRIL 20**

Saturday  
10:00 am



**GOSHEN POND HIKE.** 5 miles, easy pace. A leisurely stroll through the woods and following the Mullica River. Meet at Group Campsite area. Look for the Goshen Pond Group Campsite sign on Atsion Road 1½ miles from Rt. 206. Follow Road till you see another sign for the campground high in the trees. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

**APRIL 21**

Sunday  
10:00 am

**MAURICE RIVER PADDLE.** Meet at Garden Road, off Route 55. Will paddle to Sherman Avenue, Vineland. Pack lunch and dry bag. Call or email to confirm route. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

**APRIL 22**

Monday  
10:00 am

**SMITHVILLE HISTORIC PARK HIKE.** 5 miles. Easy pace (2.5mph). Walk grounds of Village, wooded areas and over lake. Meet at Historic Smithville Park. Take Rt.38 to Smithville Rd. in Easthampton Twp.; turn west for approximately 3/4 mile and turn left again (before you cross the Rancocas Bridge) into the River Street Access for parking. Bad weather (snow, ice or rain) cancels. LP. Leaders, Joe, 856-235-8817; and Bill, 856-983-7609.

**APRIL 23**

Tuesday  
9:30 am

**HIKE BATSTO TRAILS.** 7-8 miles at a moderate pace on Batsto's many colorful, scenic trails. Bring snack/light lunch and water. Meet at the back of the visitor's center parking lot at Batsto Village. We leave on time. Please don't wear perfume or aftershave; we want to breathe in eau de nature. Severe weather cancels. Leaders: Vera C. Stek verastek@verizon.net and Bill Schaefer, 908-337-7040.

**APRIL 24**

Wednesday  
9:00 am

**WOODLAND WANDER.** An 8-10 mile walk at a steady moderate pace to the south and east of Bullock. Roads and trails will be followed. Meet at the RR Crossing in Bullock at 9:00 am. E-mail for directions if need to the leader. Leader: Jay Schoss, walkinginmud@aol.com, 908-692-5765.

**APRIL 26**

Friday  
7:00 pm



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**APRIL 27**

Saturday  
9:00 am

**WALK TO PAKIM FROM PAKIM.** Walk to Pakim Pond from Pakim at a moderate to brisk pace. We leave at 9:00 and will work up big hunger for the noon picnic. Only necessary breaks along the way, 8-10 miles of sand roads, trails and fire cuts. Meet at Pakim Pond. Leader: Jay Schoss, walkinginmud@aol.com, 908-692-5765.

**APRIL 27**

Saturday  
11:00 am



**ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC.** Come join us at the annual club picnic! There will be morning and afternoon hikes, a hybrid bike ride and canoeing and kayaking opportunities in Pakim Pond. If you have never paddled, but would like to try it, this is your chance. There will be canoes and kayaks to try and instructors to guide you. The morning hike begins at 9:00 am. Arrive fifteen minutes early to participate in it. Food and drink will be served starting at noon at the pavilion, followed by an afternoon hybrid ride at 1:30 pm and a hike at 2:00 pm. Meet at Pakim Pond. The picnic is totally free. All members and prospective members are welcome. Bring a chair. Don't miss the favorite club event! If you would like to bring a picnic food to share, feel free to do so, but e-mail president@ocsj.org so we can plan the food properly.

**APRIL 27**

Saturday  
1:30 pm



**EZ HYBRID BIKE - BRENDAN BYRNE 10 MILES.** Join us on the traditional 10 mile loop around the back semi-paved roads of Brendan Byrne State Park. We start from the Pakim Pond picnic area. This is an easy ride to enjoy the outdoors and the scenic woodlands and cranberry bogs. Be sure you and your bike can make the full 10 mile loop. Bring flat repair equipment as well. Leader: Tom N., tomncenter-ocsj@yahoo.com, 609-206-3389.

**APRIL 27**

Saturday  
2:00 pm

**AFTER PICNIC HIKE.** 5 miles. Easy to moderate pace. A short hike after the picnic to work off the burgers and cakes and colas. Meet at Pakim Pond. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

**APRIL 28**

Sunday  
9:00 am

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**APRIL 28**

Saturday  
10:00 a.m.

**PADDLE THE GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER.** Paddle Weymouth Furnace to Lake Lenape. Shorter trip that is good for beginning river paddling and bird watching. Bring lunch and hydration. Volunteer shuttle. Leader Vicki S., 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

**APRIL 28**

Sunday  
10:00 am

**SHAD FESTIVAL HIKE.** 7-8 miles, mod. pace, LP. Many things to see at the festival. Try a shad burger or the BBQ at the River Horse Brewery. Guided hike until we reach Lambertville, then hikers go on their own. Meet at D&R Canal Parking at Jimison Farm - just before 202 bridge. Leader, Dave Hegelein, 856-235-8792.

**APRIL 28**

Sunday, 11 am

**WISSAHICKON DAY PARADE HIKE.** Miles: 5 or 7, moderate pace. We'll hike down to the Valley Green Inn and have lunch

while watching all of the trappings of the annual Equestrian Parade . The parade commemorates the closure of Forbidden Drive to vehicular traffic many years ago. On the way back we'll check out the Covered Bridge, The Falls and maybe a side trip on the Lavender Trail. Rugged terrain. Bring or buy lunch at Valley Green. NP. Meeting Place: Meet before 10:00 am at Crate & Barrel, Cherry Hill Mall or 11:00 at Andorra Nature Center, Ridge and Northwestern Avenues, Philadelphia. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-316-6292 kranzdnr@verizon.net.



## May

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**MAY 1**  
Wednesday  
10:00 am

**PENN STATE FOREST HIKE.** 9 miles. Moderate pace (2.5/3mph). View lake, sandy roads, dwarf pines, a hill (?), and of course, the landing gear of the F105 jet that crashed in 1971. Meet at Oswego Lake. Bring lunch and wet weather gear. Leaders, Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

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Friday  
7:00 pm



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**MAY 4**

Saturday  
7:00 am



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**MAY 4**

Saturday  
10:00 am

**PADDLE THE OCTORARO RIVER.** This is the eighth year that the Club has participated in this joint trip with the Wilmington and Lancaster Canoe Clubs. The section to be run depends on water levels but expect a mostly whitewater trip. Previous whitewater experience required. Bring lunch, water, and protected change of clothes. The area is about 75 miles from the Philadelphia. No rentals available. You must contact leader to confirm participation. Leader: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 or [hornet71@verizon.net](mailto:hornet71@verizon.net)

**MAY 4**

Saturday  
10:00 am

**CLAYTON PARK.** 5 miles, easy to moderate pace. We explore the wooded trails along the Doctor's Creek in this Monmouth County Park. Meet at Clayton Park. Direction from I-195: take Exit 11 (Imlaystown/Cox's Corner) and turn south on Rt. 43. At first intersection make left on Rt. 526 then immediate right back on to Rt. 43. After a mile, turn left on Emley's Hill Road. Park is on the left. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, [dbickin@yahoo.com](mailto:dbickin@yahoo.com)

**MAY 5**

Sunday  
10:00 am

**RALPH STOVER PARK HIKE.** 8 MILES, mod. pace. Good views from high cliffs of Ralph Stover. Also may see technical climbers. Can be hilly in spots. Bring lunch. Meet at Washington Crossing visitors parking on the PA side of Rt. 32 for caravan to the trailhead. Leaders: Dave and Julie Hegelein, 856-235-8792. Cell, 609-332-9262.

**MAY 5**

Sunday  
10:45 am



**SOUTH WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE.** 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. Come explore historic Rittenhousetown and the Hermits Cave and say hi to 'Billy Penn'. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. Lunch at Lovers Leap. No leaping please! Bring lunch, beverage. No Pets. Meet at 10:00 a.m. Crate & Barrel Cherry Hill Mall, or by 10:45 a.m. at Henry Avenue and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-316-6292 [kranzdnr@verizon.net](mailto:kranzdnr@verizon.net).

**MAY 6**

Monday  
10:00 am

**WALK HUBER.** A 6-7 mile loop at a moderate pace through part of the Huber Preserve. A prize will be awarded to the participant who correctly identifies the most bryophytes. Meet at Michael Huber Prairie Warbler Preserve. Leader: Jay Schoss, [walkinginmud@aol.com](mailto:walkinginmud@aol.com), 908-692-5765

**MAY 7**

Tuesday  
7:30 pm

**MOORESTOWN WALKS.** approximately 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

outside the Moorestown Library. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

**MAY 8**

Wednesday  
9:00 am

**CANOE / KAYAK THE TOMS RIVER.** New for 2013. We'll start further up river and take out before the open water. Meet at the end of Edgemere Drive, off of Route 527. Go to the end of Edgemere and turn right on the dirt road to the parking area. It will be a seven mile trip. No quarters required, but wheels still come in handy. Call or e-mail Joe Logan to confirm attendance. 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com Note: trip may vary depending on water level or mood of the trip leader

**MAY 8**

Wednesday  
10:00 am

**BIVALVE HIKE.** 7 miles. Meet at new Shipping Sheds in Bivalve (Port Norris). Walk to Shellpile, through historic Bivalve Village. Picnic at BDP wharves (maybe the schooner will be there.) Walk on Observation decks after lunch. Tour new restored shipping sheds and museum. Bring binoculars, cameras and insect repellent. Leader: Noel Wirth, 609-938-0418, ocnw101@comcast.net

**MAY 9**

Thursday  
7:00 p.m. Mtg.  
7:30 pm Social



**OPEN CLUB MEETING AND PIZZA SOCIAL.** – Open club meeting at 7:00 p.m. in Cherry Hill Library followed by pizza social at 7:30 p.m. next door at Vitarelli's Restaurant, 1250 North Kings Highway, Cherry Hill. Open to all members and prospective members. Come out and hear about what the club has planned for the next several months. Let us know what else you would like to see our club do. Voice your ideas or listen to ours. Meet other club members. All are welcome.

**MAY 10**

Friday  
7:00 pm



**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace! 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 4 mph, 15 minutes per mile pace with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important footgear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks). Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leaders: Mike Baker, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com; Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com; Alison Baker, 609-468-1950 alison@mikebaker.com

**MAY 11-12**

Saturday  
9:00 am



**EASY SECTION OF PA APPALACHIAN TRAIL SECTION HIKE.** An easy section finishing the southern most section of PA. We will start at 9 a.m. at Caledonia State Park. Do the shuttle down to the Pen Mar trailhead in MD. Then hike back up to Caledonia State park. About 7.5 miles on day one to Tumble run Shelter. There is a spring, privy, as well as a shelter there. On Sunday we'd hike about 8.5 miles to Caledonia State Park. This being in May we should see a few tough hikers and maybe get a chance to hangout at the shelter with them. It's always interesting to meet and talk to folks through hiking the AT. Though there is a shelter plan bring a tent since we never know who may already be at the shelter it is first come first server. Maximum hikers 8. Hike Leader is Erick Panger, erickpanger@erickpanger.com

**MAY 11**

Saturday  
10:00 am

**CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER (HUNTERDON CO).** The trip is 8 miles from Kingwood Access to Bulls Island. Bring lunch and beverage, and protected change of clothes. No launch fees. Allow time for drive-watch for speed limits thru

Lambertville. Rain cancels. Rentals are not available. Contact leader to confirm trip and participation. Leader: Frank Pearce, hornet71@verizon.net, 856-767-278.

**MAY 11**  
Saturday  
10:00 am

**HIKE THE WILDWOOD BOARDS PRE-SEASON.** 6-7 miles, moderate pace, starting at the Convention Center on the Boardwalk. We'll walk into North Wildwood, past the Hereford Lighthouse, atop the lovely North Wildwood seawall and double back to enjoy the boardwalk's popular antique car show and a slice of pizza. Lunch is optional. Meter parking is free. Meet at Wildwood Convention Center. Bad weather cancels. No Pets. No kids. Leaders: Jane Paone & David Szawlewicz, 856-264-4411 (our first hike as leaders).

**MAY 12**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**MOTHER'S DAY ON THE MULLICA.** Paddle the meandering Mullica River, Listen for the frog calls on the marsh. Atsion to Pleasant Mills, 11 miles, all day trip. Meet at Atsion Ranger Station Parking Lot. Leader Vicki S. call 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

**MAY 13**  
Monday  
10:00 am

**WHITES BOGS WANDER.** 5-6 miles at an easy pace with an option extension after returning to the cars. Dogs on leash welcome. Bring bug spray. Optional lunch at the tables at the general store. Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village. Leader: Faye, batonawalk@aol.com

**MAY 15**  
Wednesday  
10:00 am



**PENNYPACK-LORIMER PARKS LOOP HIKE.** 10-11 miles, moderate pace. Come enjoy these lovely parks at a beautiful time of the year. Meet at Bustleton Avenue & Benton St. park entrance. Cross Tacony-Palmyra bridge into Philadelphia; take Levick Street to Roosevelt Boulevard (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. Turn L. into Benton & park on either side of the street. NP. Check with leader if really bad weather is forecast. Leader: Jerry Goldstein, 609-859-8133; jerryhyker@yahoo.com

**MAY 17**  
Friday  
7:00 pm

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**MAY 17-19**  
Fri.-Sun.

**KAYAK MALLOWS BAY (HOME TO THE GHOST FLEET).** Join us as we paddle in MalloWS Bay and visit the "Ghost fleet" of ships. Check this site for more info on the "Ghost Fleet". [www.fossilguy.com/site/potomac/mallow.htm](http://www.fossilguy.com/site/potomac/mallow.htm) The second day we will paddle to a secluded beach and hunt for fossilized sharks teeth. Camping in at Smallwood State Park, MD (they have cabins) reservations: [reservations.dnr.state.md.us/](http://reservations.dnr.state.md.us/) Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

**MAY 18**  
Saturday  
9:00 am

**PADDLE THE BRANDYWINE RIVER.** Enjoy a scenic trip thru the historic Brandywine River Valley starting from a Private Park; stop for brown bag lunch at Wyeth's Dam, pass by the Brandywine River Museum, and end at a Covered Bridge in Delaware. Trip Length is approx. 8 miles with 2 dams (easy portage of 1st and 2nd may be run). Depending on water levels some easy riffles and a class I run thru the 2nd Dam (option to portage). Water level determines. No rentals available. Must contact leader to confirm participation and for details. Leader: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 or [hornet71@verizon.net](mailto:hornet71@verizon.net)

**MAY 18-19**  
Saturday  
9:00 am



**BACKPACKING CLARK CREEK TO SWATARA GAP ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL:** Hike 14-15.9 miles: Moderate: Hiking South to North: This is a walk on the wilderness side, with mankind's hand not present for a long time. The route follows a long abandoned stagecoach road through St Anthony Wilderness. There are a few coal mines and ghost towns from 100+ years ago. Day 1 is 11.2 miles. We'll start out at Clark Creek PA325 and climb up to the ridge, then run the ridge the rest of the way. We'll pass Stony Mountain (lunch), reach the stagecoach road at the 4 mile mark, and run with it the remaining 7 miles to the Rausch Gap Shelter (Water, Privy). The next morning we'll start off, pass through some ghost town ruins at old Rausch Gap Village, and climb up Second Mountain, before descending into Swatara Gap for a total of 4.7 miles. Should be a lot of fun! Maximum 12 hikers. Hike Leader Kevin Drevik, [kdrevik@aol.com](mailto:kdrevik@aol.com) or 856-630-2485.

**MAY 19**  
Sunday  
9:00 am

**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.** Ten mile trip from Burlington County College to Smithville. Meet at canoe launch on Rancocas Road, BCC, off Route 530 in Pemberton. Bring lunch. Be ready to shuttle at 9 AM, please arrive early. Contact Joe Logan, 609-634-1542 or e-mail [mayandpops@aol.com](mailto:mayandpops@aol.com) to sign up.

**MAY 19**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**THE MAURICE IN MAY RIVER PADDLE.** Start at Willow Grove and end at Sherman Avenue take out. All day paddle, on wild and scenic waterway. Pack lunch and the usual. Volunteer shuttle. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or [ravingwriter@gmail.com](mailto:ravingwriter@gmail.com)

**MAY 19**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**MOUNT MINSI HIKE.** 9-10 miles. Hike along the AT to the high cliffs of Mt. Minsi. Great views of the Delaware River. Wear good, sturdy footwear. Bring lunch. Optional dinner after hike. Allow for Drive time. Meet at Kittatinny Point Visitor Center off I-80W. Get off I-80 W before last exit to toll booth. Leader, Dave Hegelein, 856-235-8792.

**MAY 20**  
Monday  
10:00 am

**HISTORIC SMITHVILLE HIKE.** 5 miles moderate pace. Meet at Smith's Woods parking lot (2nd parking lot) off of East Railroad Avenue. Take Rt. 38 to Smithville Road. Bring water. Bring lunch for after hike. Hike Leaders: Janet Horton cell, 609-706-5691 [janeth1@comcast.net](mailto:janeth1@comcast.net), Jack Dalton cell, 609-287-3105 [w2hds@comcast.net](mailto:w2hds@comcast.net)

**MAY 22**  
Wednesday  
10:00 am

**CRANBERRY BOGS HIKE.** 9 miles, moderate pace (2.8mph). Tour the pines and bogs in the Lebanon Forest. Meet at Byrne Office (Ranger Station). LP ok. Bring Lunch and wet weather gear. Leaders, Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817 and Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609.

**MAY 24**  
Friday  
7:00 pm

**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, Fast Pace! 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 4 mph, 15 minutes per mile pace with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important footgear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks). Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leaders: Mike Baker, 609-577-9004, [mike@mikebaker.com](mailto:mike@mikebaker.com); Bob Hodges, [RLHHLR@aol.com](mailto:RLHHLR@aol.com); Alison Baker, 609-468-1950, [alison@mikebaker.com](mailto:alison@mikebaker.com)

**MAY 25**  
Saturday  
7:30 pm



**MAY MOON, FULL MOON HIKE.** 7 miles. M.P. Come out on a spring evening to listen for whippoorwills and gaze at the moon. Bad weather cancels Meet at Atsion Park Office. Dave and Julie Hegelein, 856-235-8792 or the night before a.m. call our cell, 609-332-9262.

**MAY 26**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**SUMMER KICK OFF GREAT EGG HARBOR PADDLE.** Weymouth Furnace to the Lake. Good run for less experienced paddlers. 4 hour trip. Bring lunch and hydration. Volunteer shuttle. Leader Vicki S., 856-341-3901, or [ravingwriter@gmail.com](mailto:ravingwriter@gmail.com)

**MAY 27**  
Monday  
10:00 am

**MEMORIAL DAY ON THE MULLICA.** Line up for the paddle parade, Atsion to Pleasant Mills, 11 miles. No rentals. Meet at Atsion Ranger Station Parking Lot. Leader Vicki S., phone 856-341-3901, or [ravingwriter@gmail.com](mailto:ravingwriter@gmail.com)

**MAY 29**  
Wednesday  
9:00 pm

**WALK IN A CIRCLE.** A 10-12 mile circular walk in Brendan Byrne SF at a moderate pace with occasional stops. We will walk some of the sand roads and footpaths south of Pakim Pond. Meet in the Pakim Pond parking area at 9 am. We leave on time, so be prompt. This should be a good workout. Leader: Jay Schoss, [walkinginmud@aol.com](mailto:walkinginmud@aol.com), 908-692- 5765.

**MAY 31**  
Friday  
7:00 pm



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**MAY 31-JUNE 2**  
Fri.-Sun.



**POCOMOKE RIVER SPRING KAYAK TRIP.** Pocomoke State Park MD. Kayak the beautiful Pocomoke River which was recently rated one of the top rivers to paddle by Paddler's Mag. We will be paddling past stands of cedar and cypress trees and swamp maples all in their blazing spring colors. Bring binoculars to view the many varied birds and waterfowl. We are camping both nights at Milburn Landing Park, enjoy the NEW bathhouse and showers, days will be warm and evenings cool. Cabins are available. Minimum of 13' kayak. We will be using the local outfitter to transport our kayaks, very easy! Contact leader for registration and camping location. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or [pis1@cccnj.net](mailto:pis1@cccnj.net)



# JUNE



*"Forty is the old age of youth,  
fifty is the youth of old age."*

## RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINES

Act Now! Make your reservations as soon as possible. Spaces usually are limited. Don't miss out by waiting too long.

**JUNE 14-16 HISTORIC CAPE MAY WEEKEND.** See Coming Events/Website.

**JUNE 8-9 BEGINNER'S BACKPACKING TRIP! PETERS MOUNTAIN TO CLARK CREEK ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL.** See Listing/Website.

**BICYCLING ROAD COURSE - IN JUNE TBA** See Website for details.

**SEPTEMBER 8-13 & SEPTEMBER 15-20 SEPTEMBER IN WESTERN MAINE** - See Coming Events/Website.

**SEPTEMBER 19-22 ASSATEAGUE ISLAND CAMP AND BEACH WEEKEND.** See Coming Events/Website.

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

**CYCLISTS JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR THE LATEST  
TRIP INFORMATION.**

**FOR DETAILS GO TO THE BICYCLING HOME PAGE.**

**JUNE 2**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**CEDAR CREEK PADDLE.** We'll paddle 6.4 miles from Ore Pond Access to Dudley Park. Bring lunch, water, sunscreen, and a dry change of clothes. No rentals available. Meet at Ore Pond Access at Double Trouble State Park. Look for canoe access sign on Pinewald-Keswick Road. where high tension power lines cross. (Must wear PFD, or don't show Prefer experienced. Must call leader between 10am and 10 pm evenings No last minute calls or e-mails. Leader: Harry Barok, 856-985-6172 or Harrykaraoke7@verizon.net

**JUNE 3**  
Monday  
10:00 am

**SOUTH LEBANON WALK.** Six miles or so at a pace comfortable for the participants. Leader: Jay Schoss walkinginmud@aol.com, 908-692-5765. Meet at the RR crossing in Bullock on Savoy Boulevard and Pasadena Road, Woodland Twp, Manchester Twp. border.

**JUNE 4**  
Tuesday  
7:30 pm

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**JUNE 8-9**  
Saturday  
9:00 am



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**JUNE 8**  
Saturday  
9:30 am

**PADDLE THE S. BRANCH OF THE RARITAN.** Water levels permitting, we will paddle from picturesque Clinton to Darts Mills. At this time of year the riverbanks should be covered in wild roses and other flowers. We stop for lunch near the pumping station for the Round Valley Reservoir then continue pass horse farms and country homes before paddling thru the remains of the dam at Darts Mills. No rentals available and there will be a fee for using the take-out. Leader: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 or e-mail hornet71@verizon.net.

**JUNE 8**  
Saturday  
9:00 am

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Sunday  
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**JUNE 9**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**O' WE GO PADDLE THE OSWEGO.** We meet at Oswego Lake Put-In. Pack Lunch. Call or email to confirm. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

**JUNE 10**  
Monday, 10:00 am

**CAMPGROUND CAPER.** Easy pace on sand roads. Five to six miles. Bring drink, snacks and bug spray, for use along the

way. Optional lunch at the picnic tables afterwards. Dogs on leash welcome. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Faye, batonawalk@aol.com

**JUNE 12**  
Wednesday  
09:00 am

**WALK TO SPRING HILL.** 9 am moderately paced walk for lunch in the Pygmies north of Spring Hill. Leader: Jay Schoss walkinginmud@aol.com. 908-692-5765. Meet at the parking area at Oswego Lake on Lake Oswego Road in Jenkins, NJ.

**JUNE 13**  
Thursday  
7:30 pm



**CLUB MEETING.** Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill.

**JUNE 14**  
Friday  
7:00 am



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**JUNE 14-16**  
Fri.-Sun.

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**JUNE 16**  
Sunday  
10:00 am

**FATHER'S DAY ON THE MAURICE RIVER PADDLE.** Eat your Wheaties for a real man's trip. Start at Willow Grove and end at Sherman Avenue about 6 hours later. Pack lunch and water, bug and sun protection. Volunteer shuttle. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

**JUNE 15**  
Saturday  
10:00 am

**MANASQUAN RESERVOIR HIKE.** 5 miles, easy to moderate pace. We will see the panoramic views of the Reservoir from the perimeter trail. Meet outside the Visitor center at the main entrance of the Manasquan Reservoir. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

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9:00 am



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**JUNE 22**

Saturday

8:00 pm

**STRAWBERRY MOON HIKE.** 7 miles, mod. pace. Hear a symphony of spring quackers, screamers, whistlers, croakers, and whippersnappers as we go into summertime. Meet at Batsto Village Parking, bad weather cancels. Leader, Dave Hegelein, 856-235-8792. Cell, 609-332-9262.

**JUNE 22**

Saturday

2:00 pm

**LATE AFTERNOON LOTUS BLOSSOM HUNT ON THE EGG HARBOR RIVER PADDLE.** Meet at Weymouth Furnace Park. Paddle to the Lake to Lolly-gag. No time clock punchers, please. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or [ravingwriter@gmail.com](mailto:ravingwriter@gmail.com)

**JUNE 23**

Sunday

10:00 am

**JOSEPH TRUJILLO MEMORIAL HIKE AND PICNIC.** 5-6 miles at easy to moderate pace. We'll hike to one of Joe's favorite places, then back to Harrisville Pond for a picnic. Bring something to share and a chair. Leader will provide grill table, utensils, hot dogs, and ice tea. Those who just want to picnic and remember Joe come between 12-12:30. Meet at Harrisville Pond Rt. 679 a spur of Rt. 563. Leader: Christine Denneker, 609-351-2789, [cdenneker157@yahoo.com](mailto:cdenneker157@yahoo.com)

**JUNE 24**

Monday

10:00 am

**COOPER RIVER HIKE.** 5-6 miles. Easy Pace. Meet at the Cooper River Yacht Club. About 1/2 way on south side of the river between RT 130 and Cuthbert Road. Hike around Cooper River; perhaps a bit different! Leader Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

**JUNE 28**

Friday

7:00 pm



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**JUNE 29**

Saturday

10:00 am

**PAKIM POND HIKE.** 5 miles. Moderate pace. We'll hike the Red and White Trails and around the bogs. Meet at the Pakim Pond parking lot. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109 [dbickin@yahoo.com](mailto:dbickin@yahoo.com)

**JUNE 30**

Sunday

9:00 am

**PADDLE ON THE BATSTO.** Meet at Atsion Park Office Parking Lot. Route will be the mysterious Hampton Forge to Quaker Bridge. This includes a shuttle on two sand roads. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or [ravingwriter@gmail.com](mailto:ravingwriter@gmail.com)

**JULY 4**

Thursday

10:00 am



**FOURTH OF JULY ON THE MAURICE RIVER.** Meet at Garden Road, south side. We paddle down river to meet & cross Union Lake. This is NOT a "lake only" trip, & requires paddling in current, under and around river obstacles. Pack lunch and hydration; also bug and sun protection and the lake offers no cover. Leader: Vicki S. 856-341-3901 or [ravingwriter@gmail.com](mailto:ravingwriter@gmail.com)

## \* \* \* MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL INFORMATION \* \* \*

1. If you elect to receive your Trekker via E-mail, a notice of expiring membership will be mailed to you.
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3. If your address has changed, please indicate new address. If you move, please file a change of address card with us.
4. Keep your membership current. Memberships must be renewed one month prior to March, June, September, and December. A current paid up membership card must be presented at each outing for free participation, except for fees for campsites, canoe or kayak rentals, transportation and the like.
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