



OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

2017 WINTER TREKKER



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***Looking forward to many more adventures
in the great outdoors!***



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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.

Coming Events

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OCSJ MEETUP SITES**

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

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

JANUARY 1 ANNOUNCING NEW YEARS DAY HIKE: 6 miles moderate pace. Start the New Year by hiking with OCSJ on the start of it's 50th year as a club. We will also be participating in "AMERICA'S STATE PARKS FIRST DAY HIKES". Our hike is in the Wharton SF in our beautiful Pine Barrens. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet in field next to the Atsion Recreation. Area office, off Rt. 206 in Shamong Township. Check Meetup and ocsj.org for changes and cancellations. Leader; Christine Denneler, 609-351-2789 e-mail cdenneler157@yahoo.com; Bob Burton, 856-767-8064.

MAY 8 APRES SKI PARTY. We are looking for someone to host the party. Contact the X/C Ski Chair if you are interested in hosting. Dennis McKane dennismckane1@gmail.com

JUNE 9,10,11 CAPE MAY WEEKEND. You are invited to join us at the Chalfonte Hotel B&B in Cape May. Activities available include biking, hiking, nature walks, bird watching and much, much more. Leaders: Jim Bodnar at 609-654-1507, e-mail: JRBodnar@verizon.net or Fran Horn at 856-786-0048, e-mail: FranHorn@aol.com Details will be posted on the website and in the Spring Trekker.

NEWS AND NOTES

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

****THE FINAL MAILED PRINTED TREKKER WILL BE
THE SPRING 2017 ISSUE.****

 READ SPECIAL NOTICE BELOW.

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey is transitioning 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 - THE SPRING 2017 TREKKER WILL BE THE FINAL "MAILED" ISSUE. Changing habits have lead to this decision.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Starting with the Summer Trekker, a printed version will be available at locations TBA. The Trekker will also be available online. We encourage everyone to join the 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: <http://meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/>

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

Canoeing Meetup site: <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.

Paddlers -During months of November 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 2016

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

FOR LEADERS

Leaders should review items under "For Leaders" on 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 Event involves more than 1 activity **NO LATER THAN EACH CALENDAR QUARTER** with few exceptions which are listed on website under "For Leaders".

WALKING PACE DEFINITIONS

WALKING PACE

These are averages only; actual results may vary due to factors such as surfaces (e.g., trails, vs roads), terrain (e.g., bushwhacking vs clear), elevation changes, (e.g., hilly vs flat), and weather.

PACE:	EASY	MODERATE	BRISK	FAST
	less than 2.5 mph	2.5-3.0 mph	3.0 – 3.5 mph	over 3.5 mph
Avg. time	25 or more	20-25	17-20	17 or less
per mile	minutes	minutes	minutes	minutes

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 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.

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 for a morning or afternoon at another time, contact Jack Dalton for what needs to be done. You can contact Jack at 609-287-3105 or w2hds@comcast.net.



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.



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 become 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.)

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 with the leader at each activity.

A MESSAGE FROM THE X/C SKIING & SNOWSHOEING CHAIR

New and exciting trips are being planned again for the 2016-2017 ski and snowshoe season. Check the Trekker and online often for additional trips and updates. If you missed the Après' Ski Party there are still openings for some great trips this winter. Hope to see you come out for some winter fun.

Dennis McKane, dennismckane1@gmail.com, 609-707-5695

JANUARY 13-16

Fri.-Mon.

MLK WEEKEND CROSS COUNTRY SKI TRIP IN THE ADIRONDACKS. Stay at the lovely Trail's End Inn in Keene Valley NY, near the Adirondack High Peaks Region. The trip is Friday – Monday over the MLK weekend. X/C ski the groomed trails of Mt. Van Hoevenberg sports complex near Lake Placid, site of the 1980 Winter Olympics and other X/C centers. Recent years have featured optional X-country ski group trips to Santanoni Preserve in Newcomb and the Jack Rabbit Trail to Lake Placid. Lots of backcountry skiing, hiking and snowshoeing in the area as well. All skill levels welcome. Lessons and rentals available. Weekend includes 3 nights (Fri. Sat., Sun.), 3 breakfasts, 1 dinner, 1 apres ski party, taxes and gratuities. Food is wonderful. Saturday night volunteer firemen's spaghetti dinner and 2 trail lunches available at additional cost. This long standing trip always fills quickly. Fee: \$50 to leaders for Sunday dinner. Call Trails End Inn (518-576-9860) for room; they have best pricing and choices, first come first served. Lodging: Trail's End Inn (B and B) – www.trailsendinn.com
Leader: Evan Ernest, 215-208-7480 OR
Evnl92@yahoo.com

JANUARY 15-22

Sun.-Sun.

STONEHURST Manor Condos, North Conway NH. Located in a scenic town in the heart of the White Mountains. 4 groomed XC venues, plus opportunity for downhill and hiking nearby. Participants will share prep for breakfast and approx. 1 dinner each. Lunch and trail passes are not included. Cost \$350 each. Deposit: \$100 to reserve a place. Balance by December 1. No refunds unless replacement is found. Contact leaders: Barbara Brandt bbrandt46@gmail.com or Jim and Virginia Mageevirginiammagee@gmail.com

JANUARY 22-27

Sun.-Fri.

COMMODORES INN, STOWE VT. Ski at several top notch resorts including Stowe Mountain and Trapp Family Lodge. Trip is for strong beginners to expert skiers. Cost \$400pp dbl occ includes 5 nights, 5 buffet breakfasts and dinners, taxes and tips. Option to stay 3 or 4 nights. Full service hotel with restaurant and bar, indoor pool and Jacuzzi. Deposit \$100. Eileen Greve, 609-204-6451, egreve212@gmail.com

FEBRUARY 2-5

Thurs.-Sun.

MORNINGSTAR CHALET, LONDONDERRY VT. (3) nights at private, modern chalet with a kitchen, 2 sitting rooms and 2 shared bathrooms. This trip is an OCSJ favorite because there are nearby Cross Country ski centers for all abilities include Viking, Wild Wings, Stratton, Okemo, Grafton Pond. The price is \$150 per person, double occupancy includes breakfast. Please reserve by December 15. Leader: Fran Horn, 856-287-6565.

FEBRUARY 17-20

Fri.-Mon.

1880 HOUSE, PULASKI NY - This area of upstate NY averages 300+ inches of snow per season. The 1880 House B & B is comfortable and homey. Our stay over Presidents weekend is 3 nights. Cost \$233pp includes 3 nights accommodations, 3 breakfasts, hearty soup and bread each afternoon, and one full dinner at the 1880 house. Deposit \$100. Eileen Greve, 609-204-6451, egreve212@gmail.com

MARCH 5-11

Sun.-Sat.

YMCA OF THE ROCKIES, SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH, GRANBY, CO-Back by request
Ski on 60 km of groomed trails right out of the lodge. Includes 6 nights at Indian Peaks lodge, taxes, all meals, ski passes, activities, daily Après Ski.
** Value price is per person: single-\$ 853, double-\$547, triple-\$444, quad-\$393. Deposit due now to insure this trip will go. Balance by December 1. Cancellation fee \$50 up til 1/1/17. No refund after 2/5 unless spot is filled. Contact Franny and Dennis McKane, dennismckane1@gmail.com 609-707-3025.

****NOTE: PRICE ADJUSTMENT CAUSED BY PRICING ERROR FROM YMCA.**



January

"Middle age is the awkward period when Father Time starts catching up with Mother Nature."



RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINE

SEE SKI SCHEDULE FOR RESERVATIONS.

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JANUARY 1

Sunday

10:00 am

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JANUARY 3

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

JANUARY 4

Wednesday

9:30 am

SWAN SEARCH HIKE. Moderate pace. 6-8 miles. Join me in my search for the swan around the reservoirs and bogs. This is a great area for some terrific pictures. We may even spot the resident bald eagle. Dress warm since the winds whip across the open areas. We will meet in the parking area, be on time. Dogs on leash are welcome but must be in the back of the group. Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252, C 912-433-8257 batonawalk@aol.com

JANUARY 4

Wednesday

6:30 pm



HADDON LAKE PARK WALK. Join me on a three mile walk through Haddon Lake Park. At a 3 MPH pace. This is a paved walking and bike path. Lights will be on around the lake only. Option for a 4th mile. Bring flashlight. Take West Kings Hwy. to 13th Ave. In Haddon Heights. Follow 13th Ave. to South Park Ave. Parking Lot is on the right across from the Dell. I will post additional Wednesday evening walks throughout the month at other locations. Check meetup on Mondays. Bad weather may cancel. Check back before you come out. Meet at Haddon Lake Park Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

JANUARY 6

Friday
7:00 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). Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

JANUARY 7

Saturday
9:00 am

WALK TO THE DRIVE IN. Join me for a walk to the Red Oak Grove Drive Inn. As far as I know this is the only NJ forgotten town which has one. I expect to walk about 3 mph along sand roads, abandoned roads, fire cuts and trails covering 10 miles or so along the way. A few brief stops and lunch along the way. Be there by 9 am because I leave on time. Meet at RR Crossing in Bullock. Bullock is on the Manchester Township, Woodland Township border where Savoy Boulevard and Pasadena Road meet. Leader: Jay Schoss contact 609-283-0525 or tree2short@aol.com, 908-692-5765 on the day of the walk.

JANUARY 9

Monday
9:00 am

WALK FROM THE BRENDAN BYRNE CAMPGROUNDS. A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts around the camp grounds. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283-0252 or walkinginmud@aol.com at least a day prior for more info.

JANUARY 11

Wednesday
9:30 am



HIKE THE YELLOW (BRICK ROAD) TRAIL. Over the river and through the woods to Batsto Village we go!! 9 mile hike at a moderate pace. We will meet at Batsto parking lot and then car pool over to Atsion to start out hike. This is a one way hike so bring your food/drink of choice and dress for the weather that day. We have lunch along the river. This a nice hike with changes of scenery. Leaders are not computer wizards so call with questions please. NO RSVP just come if you can. Thanks Leaders Toni, 609-652-0112; Jan, 609-404-4990.

JANUARY 12

Thursday
7:30 pm



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

JANUARY 13

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. See January 6 listing.

JANUARY 14

Saturday
10:00 am

WINTER ATSION HIKE. 5 miles. moderate pace. An easy walk along dirt roads and forest trails. Meet at Atsion Office. Bad weather or icy conditions cancel. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

JANUARY 15

Sunday
9:30 am

REEVES BOGS ROMP. Easy pace 4-6 miles. We will hike some sand roads in the woods then out to the bogs. It may be windy on the bogs so dress warm. These bogs are a little wild and we may spot the swan and a local bald eagle. Another beautiful photo shoot. Leashed pets are welcome but have to

stay in the back of the group. Meet at Reeves Bogs at the open area with the large oaks, roughly a mile and a half in on very bumpy Forest Drive. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252 or C 912-433-8257 batonawalk@aol.com

JANUARY 18

Wednesday
9:30 am



BBB HIKE. Moderate pace. 7-9 miles. Sand roads, abandoned roads, fire cuts. Bathroom breaks only so bring trail gorp and drink. There is very limited parking off the highway so parking along Rt. 70 will be necessary. Leashed pets under control and in the back of the group are welcome, but some old roads are very wild with low brush so smaller dogs may have a problem with the brush. Only necessary stops for clothing adjustment or pit stops. There is a sand road on Rt. 70 across from Rt. 530 in Browns Mills where we will meet after the small parking area is full. Be early to allow time to find the start. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252 or C 912-433-8257 batonawalk@aol.com

JANUARY 20

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. See January 6 listing.

JANUARY 21

Saturday
10:00 am



HIKE FROM PAKIM POND. Hike from Pakim Pond along the Cranberry Trail to the newly blazed Batona Trail. Returning to Pakim Pond for lunch. 5 miles easy pace. Bring water and lunch. If in doubt call leader: Janet Horton, 609-706-5691 janeth1@comcast.net

JANUARY 22

Sunday
9:30 am

SWAN SEARCH. Easy pace, 5-6 miles. 9:30 Whites Bogs Wander. Sand roads through Rome to the beaches. Join me in one of the Pine Barrens most picturesque areas, so bring your camera. We may spot the resident bald eagles or maybe a swan or two are around. These will be the only stops besides potty, as we will be back in time for you to have your lunch. Leashed dogs in the back of the group are welcome. Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252, C 912-433-8257, batonawalk@aol.com

JANUARY 25

Wednesday
10:00 am

HIKE 2 RIVERS. 2 HIKES. one hike 6 miles, one 10 miles. Both moderate pace. We will go up the Batsto River and return along the Mullica River. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at Batsto Village Parking. Off Rt. 542. Check Meetup and ocsj.org changes and cancellations. Leaders Chris Denneler, 609-351-2789, e-mail cdenneler157@yahoo.co; Pat Burton, 856-767-8064, e-mail camperpat@hotmail.com.

JANUARY 27

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. See January 6 listing.

JANUARY 28

Saturday
10:00 am

Batona trail

HIKE TO IVES POND ON THE BATONA TRAIL. We will hike 8 miles or a little more at a moderate pace. I really love sections of this hike, we travel past old bogs, new forest and some nice cedar stands, lunch will be on a small hill overlooking Ives pond. The beavers are gone so is their dam so crossing to the other side could be FUN! Bring your lunch and dress for the weather. Dogs on leash may come and stay in the back of group. NO RSVP just come if you can. Call with questions leaders on not big on computers. Thanks for your understanding. Meet at Batona Trail Stage Road. Leaders: Jan, 609-404-4990 and Toni, 609-652-0112.

JANUARY 29

Sunday

9:30 am



WHITES BOGS WANDER. Easy pace, 5-6 miles. Sand roads through Rome to the beaches. Join me in one of the Pine Barrens most picturesque areas, so bring your camera. We may spot the resident bald eagles or maybe a swan or two are around. These will be the only stops besides potty, as we will be back in time for you to have your lunch. Leashed dogs in the back of the group are welcome. Meet at Historic Whitesbog Village. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252 or C 912-433-8257 batonawalk@aol.com



February



"What would you attempt to do if you knew you could not fail?"

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FEBRUARY 1

Wednesday

10:00 am

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

FEBRUARY 1

Wednesday

6:30 pm

HADDON LAKE PARK WALK. Join me on a three mile walk through Haddon Lake Park. At a 3 MPH pace. This is a paved walking and bike path. Lights will be on around the lake only. Option for a 4th mile. Bring flashlight. Take West Kings Hwy. to 13th Avenue In Haddon Heights. Follow 13th Avenue to South Park Avenue. Parking Lot is on the right across from the Dell. I will post additional Wednesday evening walks through out the month at other locations. Check meetup on Mondays. Bad weather may cancel. Check back before you come out. Meet at Haddon Lake Park Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

FEBRUARY 3

Friday

7:00 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). Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

FEBRUARY 4

Saturday

9:00 am

WALK WARTON FROM EVANS BRIDGE. Wharton State Forest contains the longest section of the Batona Trail. On this walk we will follow very little of it! Expect 10-12 miles of sand roads, fire cuts with river views and a visit to the lost town of Washington. The pace will be my normal 3 mph +- with a few short stops. Meet at Evans Bridge We leave at 9 am sharp so be sure you know where Evans Bridge is before the day of the hike. Call if not sure: Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283-0525 or tree2short@aol.com

FEBRUARY 5

Sunday

9:30 am

BBB HIKE. Moderate pace. 7-9 miles. Sand roads, abandoned roads, fire cuts. Bathroom breaks only so bring trail gorp and drink. There is very limited parking off the highway so parking along Rt. 70 will be necessary. Leashed pets under control and in the back of the group are welcome, but some old roads are very wild with low brush so smaller dogs may have a problem with the brush. Only necessary stops for clothing adjustment or pit stops There is a sand road on Rt. 70 across from Rt. 530 in Browns Mills where we will meet after the small parking area is full. Be early to allow time to find the start. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252 or C 912-433-8257, batonawalk@aol.com

FEBRUARY 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 at Moorestown Library entrance. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY 8

Wednesday

10:00 am

THE HILLS OF WELLS MILLS. Wells Mills isn't just for the day after Thanksgiving!! We will go over the hills and dales of this pretty park and cover 10 miles at a moderate pace. Lunch will probably be on the trail this time, but there are places to leave the group for those who only want to do the first five miles. Bring your fuel for the day and some good stories to share. NO RSVP just come if you can and call leaders with questions. I don't have a computer at home. NC, dogs on leash welcome. Meet at Wells Mill County Park. Leaders: Toni, 609- 652-0112; Jan, 609-404-4990.

FEBRUARY 9

Thursday

7:30 pm



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FEBRUARY 10

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. See February 3 listing.

FEBRUARY 10

Friday

7:00 pm



HIKE UNDER A FULL MOON. It's Friday night lets **HOWL AT THE MOON.** Join me for a cool time under the pines and a bright winter moon. Some tribes call it the Full Snow Moon, Well a few inches might make it very pretty with sparkle, but as long as it is not raining I will be going. I plan to cover 6-8 miles at a slower pace. It is surprising how bright the sandy roads can be on a clear winter night. Dress for the temp that night. Group limited to 30, so RSVP needed this time and if you have to cancel please do so, so that others may join the fun. Meet at Batsto Historic Village. Leader: Toni, 609-652-0112.

FEBRUARY 11

Saturday
10:00 am

HIKE PEMBERTON RAILS TO TRAILS. We will hike the rails to trails from the Historic RR Station to Birmingham Road. 5 miles easy pace. Bring water. Meet at Pemberton Rail Road Station. If in doubt call leader: Janet Horton 609-706-5691 janeth1@comcast.net

FEBRUARY 12

Sunday
9:00 am



WILL THIS BE THE COLDEST DAY HIKE? If it's not, we may get a bit over-heated. I plan this as a brisk walk, one that is quicker than my normal 3 mph pace. Hopefully I'll be fit enough to do it. I expect to follow sand roads, trails marked and not and a fire cut or two. Probably at least 12 miles with maybe two lunches along the way. We begin at the Batsto Village parking lot at 9 am promptly so be early. Meet at Batsto Village. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283-5765 or tree2short@aol.com.

FEBRUARY 13

Monday
9:00 am

WALK FROM THE BRENDAN BYRNE CAMPGROUNDS. A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts around the camp grounds. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283 0252 or walkinginmud@aol.com at least a day prior for more info.

FEBRUARY 15

Wednesday
10:00 am

CRANBERRY BOGS HIKE. 9 miles, moderate pace (3mph). Tour the pines and bogs in Lebanon Forest. Meet at the Bryne Office (Ranger Station). LP. Bring lunch. Leader: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

FEBRUARY 15

Wednesday
10:00 am



HISTORIC HAMMONTON HIKE. 5-7 miles easy pace. Walk thru historic district of Hammonton. then down to Hammonton Lake State Park for lunch, back to Hammonton to finish the tour. Coffee stop after the hike. Meet at the historic Hammonton train station on Bellevue Avenue (Rt 54) and Railroad Avenue. Rain cancels. Leader: Noel Wirth, 609-938-0418. ocncw101@comcast.net

FEBRUARY 17

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. See February 3 listing.

FEBRUARY 18

Saturday
10:00 am

BATSTO HIKE. 5 miles' moderate pace. An easy walk between two rivers and through the village of Batsto. Bad weather or icy conditions cancel. Meet at Batsto Historic Village. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY 18

Saturday
10:00 am

LOOK FOR OUR HEARTS DESIRE. 8-10 miles at a moderate pace. We go around the bogs, along the river and just wander some, and see what can inspire us for the week ahead or help us forget the week just past. (WORK) Bring lunch, liquid and a happy heart. NO RSVP JUST COME IF YOU CAN. LEADER DOES NOT CHECK NET OFTEN SO CALL WITH QUESTIONS PLEASE. Meet at Franklin Parker Preserve. Leaders: Toni, 609-652-0112; Jan, 609-400-4990.

FEBRUARY 19

Sunday
9:00 am



WHITES BOGS WANDER. Easy pace, 5-6 miles. 9:30 Whites Bogs Wander. Sand roads through Rome to the beaches. Join me in one of the Pine Barrens most picturesque areas, so bring your camera. We may spot the resident bald eagles or maybe a swan or two are around. These will be the only stops besides

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FEBRUARY 22

Wednesday
10:00 am



HIKE TO BUCK RUN. 8-9 miles moderate pace. A scenic hike. We'll hike through downtown Martha, an occasional view of the Oswego River and have lunch by the little stream called Buck Run. Meet at Harrisville Pond off Rt. 679 a spur of Rt. 563. Bring lunch and beverage. Leaders Chris Denneker, 609-351-2789, email cdenneker157@yahoo.com. Pat Burton, 856-767-8064, camperpat@hotmail.com. Check Meetup or ocsj.org for changes or cancellations.

FEBRUARY 24

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. See February 3 listing.

FEBRUARY 25

Saturday
9:00 am

JEMIMA HERE WE COME. Let's go visit this unexpected mountain before the bikes wear it down to sea level. A 12 mile walk through some rough areas of Wharton. A part of the Batona trail, some sand roads, bike trails and fire cuts will be our route. This is a harder pineland trek, as we will have to deal with some fallen trees and some overgrown areas. n wet weather there could be water in the trails. Meet at Carranza Memorial. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283-0525 or tree2short@aol.com



March



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MARCH 1

Wednesday
10:00 am



RAINBOW OF TRAILS. 8-9 miles at a moderate pace. Going to take a few different trails this time, may even go backwards (the trail in reverse direction not walking backwards LOL), so lunch will be in the woods. Dress for the weather, and please use the restrooms at the office before coming to the lake to sign in. We will NOT pass that way. NO RSVP just come if you can. Meet at Bass River State Forest. Leader does not check net often so please call with questions. Leaders: Toni, 609-652-0112; Jan, 609-404-4990.

MARCH 1

Wednesday
7:00 pm

HADDON LAKE PARK WALK. Join me on a three mile walk through Haddon Lake Park. At a 3 MPH pace. This is a paved walking and bike path. Lights will be on around the lake only.

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MARCH 4

Saturday
9:00 am

CIRCUMAMBULATE PENN STATE. This big loop will not be at the college but at the State Forest named after one of William Penn's grandsons. About 12 miles following a unique route to Spring Hill, that ridge above the tree tops in the pygmies. I plan a 3 mph pace with only a few stops before lunch and fewer on the return. Meet us the parking lot north of Oswego Lake just after the pavement turns to sand on Lake Oswego Road, which is off of 563 just north of Micks Canoe Rentals. We leave promptly at 9 a.m. so be on time. Leader: Jay Schoss, tree2short@aol.com or 609-283-0252.

MARCH 7

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MARCH 8

Wednesday
10:00 am

HIKE BATSTO NATURE TRAIL. Via the Batona Trail, 7 miles moderate pace. An easy hike for all abilities, with nice views of the Batsto River. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at Batsto Village parking off Rt. 542. Check Meetup and ocsj.org for changes and cancellations. Leaders: Chris Denneker, 609-351-2789, e-mail cdenneker157@yahoo.com, Pat Burton, 856-767-8064, e-mail camperpat@hotmail.com.

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MARCH 12

Sunday
7:00 pm

HIKE UNDER A FULL MOON. We will either do the Batsto area again or going to try for a permit to do the Forsythe Refuge road.so check the web site. will post 30 days before hike complete details time and location etc. leader Toni

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MARCH 15

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. Heavy rain/snow cancels. Leaders, Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817 and Bill Poulson 856-983-7609.

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MARCH 18

Saturday
10:00 am

FRIENDSHIP AND BULL'S BRANCH. 5 miles, moderate pace. Walk along the old bogs on the Bull's Branch of the Tulpehocken Creek, with a short stop at the Blueberry Monument honoring the first commercial blueberry farm. Meet at Friendship. Leader: David Bicking, 609-332-2109, dbickin@yahoo.com

MARCH 19

Sunday
9:30 am

REEVES BOGS ROMP. Moderate pace 6-8 miles. These bogs are a little wild but a great photo area. We may spot the resident bald eagle. Leashed pets are welcome but have to stay in the back of the group. Meet at Reeves Bogs at the open area with the large oaks, roughly a mile and a half in on Forest Drive. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252 or C 912-433-8257 batonawalk@aol.com

MARCH 22

Wednesday
10:00 am



BATSTO BOP. We will cover 8-9 miles at a moderate pace, going to try to cross to the old section of the yellow trail (where the bridge is out) or maybe the other side of the road. Lunch will NOT be on the porch. NO RSVP just come if you can. Meet at Batsto Historic Village. Leaders do not check net often so call with questions. Leaders: Toni, 609-652-0112; Jan, 609-404-4990.

MARCH 22

Wednesday
10:00 am

HISTORIC OCEAN CITY HIKE. 5-8 miles Meet at the Transportation Center, 10th and Haven. Walk through the historic district. Up to the boardwalk and eat lunch (we'll see what's open or bring your own). Optional walk to the OC Historical Museum, 17th and Simpson. Bad weather cancels. Leader: Noel Wirth, 609-938-0418 ocncw101@comcast.net

MARCH 24

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MARCH 27

Monday
9:15 am

WHITES BOGS WANDER HIKE. Moderate pace 6-8 miles. 9:15 Wander around Whites Bogs with me in and out of the wooded area and down the back bogs. Great picture areas, maybe a bald eagle sighting. Pit stops only so bring gorp and drink to be had on the trail. You can have your lunch on the General store porch and hang out. The store should be open with lots of goodies inside. Leashed dogs in the back of the group are welcomed. Meet in the parking lot at Historic Whitesbog Village, across from the store. Leader: Faye, H 609-283-0252 or C 912-433-8257 batonawalk@aol.com

MARCH 29

Wednesday
9:30 am

WASHINGTON CROSSING/BOWMAN'S TOWER HIKE. 12 Miles. Moderate Pace (3mph) Meet at Washington Crossing State Park, New Jersey side on Route 29 approximately 8 miles north of Trenton. At Washington Crossing, turn left at the red light to Penna. and then make an immediate right (before crossing the bridge) into the parking lot. We will cross the Delaware River and continue along the towpath and picnic at the tower. Bring your lunch. Heavy rain or snow cancels. Leaders: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817 and Bill Poulson, 856- 983-7609.

MARCH 31

Friday
7:00 pm

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