



BLACK RIVER CHAPTER, ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB

UPCOMING OUTINGS FOR JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2018 (AND ONE FOR SEPTEMBER)

All are welcome to attend, you need not be a club member. Please come! Bring your friends!

Up to date as of May 15, 2018

Sunday June 3rd Chaumont Barrens with Doreen. Come and enjoy a very easy 1.7-mile loop hike filled with educational stops and birding. Meet at 1pm in the parking lot at 29924 Vanalstyne Rd. Chaumont. Hopefully we will see the prairie smoke wildflower still in full bloom. Let Doreen (315-778-6895) know if you are interested in making this a bicycle /hike starting an hour earlier

Beaurivage Island Paddle June 15-17 We paddle from Gananoque through the Admiralty Islands. Don't forget that passport and tent, plus all your camping necessities. Reservations required. Contact Cindy Stewart ASAP if you are interested in this outing, e-mail cindykaystewart@yahoo.com.

Sat. June 30th - Riverkeeper volunteer kayak paddle and monitoring training 6/30 at Wilson Hill WMA for Save The River. 10-1pm. Wilson Hill WMA is located in St. Lawrence County, approximately 6 miles west of the village of Massena along state highway Routes 37 and 131. Please e-mail Patricia Shulenburg at patricia@savetheriver.org. See <http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/9324.html> for a description of Wilson Hill WMA. There is a \$10 fee for those who are not members of Save the River.

Sunday July 1st hike at Baker Woods Preserve in Natural Bridge. It is one of the Indian River Lakes Conservancy Trails. The hike is about a 2 mile loop. It is an interesting walk through wet areas and has a bit of up and down but not a mountain climb. Good hike for all ability levels and families. It is well maintained with nice board walks. There is also a boat launch for small craft at the head of the Indian River. Lovely scenic area. Bring your kayak or canoe for a gentle paddle after the hike. One time we did this hike we saw three bear cubs run up a tree. No mama seen. Please call Marie 315-558-8568 to arrange time and check on weather conditions or e-mail her at mjstbeck@aol.com.

Thursday July 12th at 6 pm Pot luck Picnic and Chapter Board Meeting at Thompson Park, Watertown. In the small pavilion near the fitness trail. Non-members and all member are encouraged to attend. Bring a dish to pass, and a drink and place setting for yourself. Find out what your Chapter board is up to! We will eat at 6 pm and start the meeting at 7 pm.

Sat. July 21 Hike the new Tug Hill Trail with Bob McNamara. This is a joint outing with the Laurentian chapter. Meet at the trailhead on Michigan Mills Road at 10:00am. The trailhead is on the north side of the road, about 5.25 miles west of the hamlet of Highmarket. Description: Through hike in the East Branch of Fish Creek State Forest, on the new Tug Hill Traverse Trail, along the East Branch of Fish Creek. Open hardwood forest with frequent views of the Creek. Minimal elevation change. We'll start at the Michigan Mills trailhead, place vehicle(s) on the G&W Road, and hike through to the north. The drive out along the G&W Road offers a very scenic look at the Tug Hill core creeks and wetlands. Contact Bob McNamara if you need more information, e-mail artofwild@aol.com or phone 315-675-3522.

Saturday July 28th our fourth annual Artist on ride the Point bicycle on Pillar Point. Start at the Brownville Town barn at 9am. 24-mile loop ride on Route 180 & North and south Shore roads on Pillar Point. (a shorter route is also available by calling Doreen 315-778-6895). We will stop and enjoy the music, food and fun of the Rustic Golf Course 's 10th annual Artist on the point.

Sunday July 29th Kingston bike trip. Meet at the Ferry dock in Cape Vincent with passport, bicycle, and helmet, and \$3.00 (each way) ferry fee ready to board at 9:30. We bicycle across Wolfe Island, take free ferry to Kingston, and decide as a group where we eat lunch and what we do while we are in Kingston. Coordinator for this event is Dave Larrabee; e-mail him at david.s.larrabee@gmail.com if more information is needed. All are welcome.

Sunday Aug 5th bicycle/hike Black River Trail (starting in Watertown) and Poor's Island in Black River. Starting point for the bicycling will be at the Black River Trail center parking lot off Ridge Road in Watertown at 12 noon with plans to meet up with those walking Poor's Island at 1pm. For those who just want to do Poor's Island, meet at the parking lot on Poor's Island in Black River at 1 PM. To get to Poors Island, from Route 3, turn in to Black River at the light where Stewarts is; entrance to Poor's Island is a short distance down on the right (sign says St. Regis St.; there is also a small sign saying Kamargo Recreation Area.) We can bike, hike, or bike and hike, since most of the trails on Poor Island can be ridden with a hybrid or mountain bicycle.

Sunday Sept. 16th Kid friendly/Family Potluck picnic at Whittaker Falls Park 536 Glendale Rd. Lowville. We will be setting up at 12 noon and plan to eat about 1 pm. Bring lawn chairs. Food to pass and your place settings and drinks. This is a great place to take family pictures with the beautiful background of the Black River valley. Bring kites, hula hoops, lawn games and hiking poles and shoes. If water levels permit we will walk near the waterfall.

Our next listing will include September, October, and November. If you have an outing you would like to lead please send it to Wendy Newell, e-mail wendynewell@netscape.net. I also maintain an e-mail list and send out periodic reminders about outings. If you join it, I will not inundate you with mailings, I promise.

We have chapter t-shirts available for \$10. They are green moisture wicking Dri-Weave t-shirts with our with our chapter patch. Contact Wendy Newell if you want one.

For more events and details visit www.blackriveradk.org or Facebook "Black River Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain club" or call Doreen 315-778-6895.