



## **Black River Chapter, Adirondack Mountain Club**

### **Upcoming Outings June, July, August 2019**

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

Please contact trip leaders ahead of time to let them know you are coming (or may be coming), so we know how many to plan for.

I have included several outings from other organizations. If an outing is not from our chapter, the organization doing it is noted.

**Sunday June 2nd Chaumont Barrens with Rowena & Doreen.** Come and enjoy a very easy 1.7-mile loop hike filled with educational stops and birding. Meet at 1:30 pm in the parking lot at 29924 Vanalstyne Rd. Chaumont. Hopefully we will see the prairie smoke wildflower in full bloom. For those that would like to make this a bicycle/hike we will start from the Brownville town Office at 12:15. Let Doreen (315-778-6895) know if you are interested so we can better plan for this popular event.

**June 21-23 Admiralty Islands - Paddling the beautiful Thousand Islands,** camping on a small island, sharing a campfire with friends... the perfect weekend getaway! Enjoy island time with us as we explore the Admiralty Islands from Beaurivage Island. Reservations required. Passport or enhanced driver's license required. Contact Cindy Stewart at [cindykaystewart@yahoo.com](mailto:cindykaystewart@yahoo.com) or Dave Larrabee at 315-232-2111. Because there is limited camping space available we are giving chapter members first chance at this outing, and will open it up to others if there is space.

**Sat June 29, 2019 : Little Woodhull Loop Inspection NCT 100 (from the Onondaga Chapter).** Meeting time: **8:30 am, call leader to confirm meeting place and time.** Rating M. Distance: 7-8 miles. In the Adirondack Park. Meeting Place: Please call leader. s Leader: Mary Coffin, [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com), Phone #: 315-687-3589. Map: 2011 Delorme 49 Description: We will hike in Black River Wild Forest (from North Lake Rd.) to Little Woodhull Lake then cross the inlet stream and continue to North Lake where a car will be spotted. As we hike we will inspect our Chapter's adopted trail on the North Country National Scenic Trail and do light trail clearing/pick up along the way. The entire area is relatively flat. Optional dinner enroute home.

**Sunday July 7<sup>th</sup>- Paddle Colwell Ponds in the Lakeview Wildlife Management Area.** Meet at 1:30 PM at the boat launch off Montario Point Road (off Route 3, a little way south of Southwick Beach State Park.) We can paddle these 2 small ponds and then go through the small channel out to Sandy Creek (if it is still open, I have not been there in a few years.) From there, we can paddle out to Lake Ontario if desired, or all the way through to Lakeview Pond, depending on what the group wants. This is a nice quiet paddle suitable for all family members. Trip leader is Wendy Newell, 315-782-3015. Note that per ADK rules everyone in the boat must be WEARING a life jacket, it is not enough to just have it with you.

**Riverkeeper Volunteer Training and SmartStart Kayak Training\* • Wednesday, July 10, 9am - 12pm. This event is from Save the River.** Minna Anthony Common Nature Center • Wellesley Island, NY. \$10 program fee, \$7 park entrance fee. Pre-registration is required, call (315) 482-2479 to register. An introductory American Canoe Association instructor-led course to kayaking, followed by a Riverkeeper program where participants learn how to assess and report indicators of River health.

**Saturday July 13 – Annual Festival of Festival of Oar, Paddle & Sail, Antique Boat Museum, Clayton, NY.** Black River Chapter will have a table there and hopefully some of us can bring our kayaks/canoes/whatever other boats we have. There will be a fun event called Row 4 Donuts at 8am (row/paddle across French Bay to the Clayton Yacht Club) and the museum opens to the public at 9:00am with event programming kicking off at 10:00. The museum has St. Lawrence Skiffs available for use but those are first come first served, so they encourage all to bring private kayaks/canoes/rowing shells/SUPs/etc (literally anything powered by humans!). The festival will wrap up around 4:00pm and the museum closes for the day at 5:00pm. (Chapter members, remember that if you are in a boat you must be wearing a PFD; just having it with you is not enough, per ADK rules.)

**Sun July 14, 2019 Bushwhacking 101 Stone Dam Trail to Lyons Camp Rd (from the Onondaga Chapter).** NCT 100 : Meeting time: 8:30 am, **Please call leader to confirm time and meeting place.** Rating (S) Distance RT: 6 miles. In the Adirondack Park. Meeting Place: **Please call leader.** Leader: Mary Coffin, [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com). Phone#: 315 -687-3589 Map: 2011Delorme49 Description: We will be hiking off trail (bushwhacking) along the potential NCT route from the Stone Dam Lake Trail. We will not be doing any trail work but demonstrating how we explore and GPS for a new, dry and sustainable trail route. This hike will be mostly off trail, over logs, streams and forest debris but in a mostly open, mature forest. You will be on the ground floor of the future NCT which will connect the Stone Dam Lake and Little Woodhull Lake trails.

**Saturday July 27th our fifth annual Artist on the Point Bicycle Ride.** Start at the Brownville Town barn at 9 am. 24-mile loop ride on Route 180 & North and south Shore roads on Pillar Point. (A shorter route is also available by calling trip leader Doreen 315-778-6895). We will stop and enjoy the music, food and fun of the Rustic Golf Course's 11<sup>th</sup> annual Artist on the point.

**Sun, July 28 Kingston Bike Trip.** Meet at 9:30 at ferry in Cape Vincent. We will take the ferry to Wolf Island and then bike across the island and take the ferry to Kingston, or decide where to go from there. Bring passport, bike helmet, water, sunscreen and don't forget, we will be going thru Customs. We, as a group, will decide where we will go. Kingston is a busy, beautiful city. Dave Larrabee at 315-232-2111

**Sun. Aug. 4 – Indian River Lakes Conservancy.** Join Ray Spahn for a hike on August 4th at 1:00 on the Indian River Lakes Conservancy trail system. There are 2 trail loops that will be involved in the hike. Doing both is optional. Both loops are about 3 miles long. These trails give wonderful views of Butterfield Lake and Grass Lake. The primitive trails wind through a very peaceful forest. There are no signs of civilization while on the trails. The trails have some

very short, steep descents/ascents. Please call/text Ray ahead of time for directions and meeting site at 315-286-4507.

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**Aug 5-8, 2019 Outing title: NCT ADK Volunteer Work Week NCT 100 ( from the Onondaga Chapter).** Meeting time: **Must contact leader for application, spaces limited** Rating (S) Distance RT: 4-8 miles each day. In the Adirondack Park. Leader: Mary Coffin, 687-3589, . [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com) Map: Hoffman Notch Wilderness, east side, north of Schroom Lake. Description: Help volunteers build a new foot trail in Hoffman Notch Wilderness, south east side as part of the 4600-mile North Country National Scenic Trail. ADK Procrew will conduct training on day one. We will actually be building new trail up a small mountain as opposed to maintaining existing trail. Volunteers provide own food and lodging. Limited camping is available: first come, first served. Get in on the ground floor of this project and join like-minded trail folks. Space is limited so sign up early if interested.

**Sat. Aug 24 Stillwater Fire Tower is celebrating their centennial!** We don't have an outing planned, but the Friends of the Stillwater Fire Tower are planning a celebration and raffle. For more information see the Facebook page for the Friends of Stillwater Fire Tower.

**Sun, Aug 25, 2019 Kunjamunk Trail in Siamese Ponds Wilderness NCT 100 ( from the Onondaga Chapter.)** Meeting time: 8:30 am, **Please call leader to confirm meeting time and place.** Distance: RT 8-9 miles. In the Adirondack Park. Meeting Place: Please call leader. es Leader: Mary Coffin, 687-3589, [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com) Map: Delorme 36. Description: Explore an alternate NCNST Adirondack Route in Siamese Ponds Wilderness. We will use the Cisco Creek trailhead at the end of Elm Lake Road north of Speculator and attempt to intersect the newly constructed Wakley Brook Crossover Trail. Possible supper stop on way home.

**ADK FALL OUTING 2019 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 — SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, HARRIMAN STATE PARK. HOST CHAPTERS: MID-HUDSON, MOHICAN, NORTH JERSEY-RAMAPO, NEW YORK AND LONG ISLAND**

The 2019 ADK Fall Outing will be in the Lower Hudson Valley, based at The Stephen & Betsy Corman AMC Harriman Outdoor Center on Breakneck Pond in the heart of Harriman State Park. Harriman and adjacent Bear Mountain and Sterling Forest State Parks feature more than 225 miles of marked trails, including the famed Appalachian Trail, Long Path, and numerous lakes, making it a hiker's and paddler's paradise. Other notable parks, Hudson Highlands and the magnificent Hudson River are nearby, as is The Big Apple—just 30 miles from the Center.

Five downstate chapters are collaborating to offer club members and their families and friends a rich selection of outings for all tastes and abilities. In addition to daily hikes, paddles, and other exclusive excursions offered by host chapters, we have evening presentations on Central Park

and Sterling Forest, and a singalong with the famous Walkabout Clearwater Chorus, founded by Pete Seeger.

The entire Harriman Outdoor Center has been reserved for on-site lodging, camping, and meals. Offsite, but nearby, hotel rooms are being held for us at discounted rates. Details and relevant links can be found online by visiting the Web address below.

Registration is online, and you will be able to select your accommodations, meals, and outings. All will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Don't wait. Early registration is encouraged to secure your preferred lodging and outings.

Go to [www.midhudsonadk.org](http://www.midhudsonadk.org) today to find more details about the weekend, including outings and food/lodging options, and to register (online only).

Upcoming items – We are looking for outings for fall. If anyone is interested in leading an outing please contact Wendy Newell with the details (e-mail [wendynewell@netscape.net](mailto:wendynewell@netscape.net) or mail to Wendy Newell, 22476 Colonial Manor Road, Watertown, NY.)

Please join our e-mail list, if you are not already a member. Contact Wendy Newell ([wendynewell@netscape.net](mailto:wendynewell@netscape.net).)

For more events and details visit [www.blackriveradk.org](http://www.blackriveradk.org) or Facebook “Black River Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain club” or call Doreen 315-778-6895.

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