



**Black River Chapter, Adirondack Mountain Club**  
**Upcoming Outings for September, October, November, and Dec 2018**  
All are welcome to attend, you need not be a club member. Please come! Bring your friends!

Up to date as of Sept. 6, 2018

**Sunday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Kid friendly/Family Potluck picnic at Whittaker Falls Park 5836**

**Glendale Rd. Lowville.** We will be setting up at 12 noon and plan to eat about 1 pm. Bring lawn chairs, a dish 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. Follow NYS Route 26 south out of Lowville to the hamlet of Martinsburg and take a left on the Glendale Road. Whitaker Park will be on your left a short distance up the road.

**Sat Sept 15, 2018 Paddle Piseco Lake Outlet. This trip is from the Iroquois chapter.**

We will paddle across Piseco Lake and along the scenic outlet, have lunch and return. We hope to enjoy some fall color reflecting in the water. PFD required. 6-8 mi RT

Rating ?

Meeting Place: Contact leader to reserve a spot

Meeting time 8:30 am

Leader: Mary Coffin and Brenda Veilleux

Phone #: 687-3589, 463-9103, [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com)

**Sat, Sept 22, 2018 Annual Trail Day: Pillsbury Lake, West Canada Wilderness, North Country Trail 100 & 50. This trip is from the Iroquois Chapter.**

We will explore the NCNST (North Country National Scenic Trail) Adirondack Route in West Canada Wilderness, the former tromping grounds of famous guide and character, French Louis. Lunch will be at the leanto on picturesque Pillsbury Lake. This trip is in celebration of NCNST Annual Trail Day. Possible supper stop on way home. 7 mi. RT

Rating B

Meeting Place: Contact leader

Meeting time: 8:30 am

Contact: Mary Coffin, [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com), [315-687-3589](tel:315-687-3589)

**Sunday Oct., 7 What could be better than a hike around Whetstone Gulf in early October?**

Let's meet at 1:00 on Sunday October 7 at Whetstone Gulf State Park. The hike has some ups and downs as well. Beautiful views of the gorge and waterfall.

Cal Marie Steinbeck at 315 558 8568 or email [mjstbeck@aol.com](mailto:mjstbeck@aol.com) to let us know you are coming.

**Sun, Oct 14, 2018 Kunjamunk Trail in Siamese Ponds Wilderness NCT 100 & 50. This trip is from the Iroquois Chapter.**

We will explore a possible alternate NCNST Adirondack Route in Siamese Ponds Wilderness. This recently restored trail is parallel to the Long and Rock Ponds Trail and we will compare the scenic quality and suitability of these two trails as a National Scenic Trail. We will use the Cisco Creek trailhead at the end of Elm Lake Road north of Speculator. Possible supper stop on way home. 7-8 mi RT.

Rating B. Meeting Place: Contact leader

Meeting time: 8:30 am

Contact: Mary Coffin, [maryccoffin@gmail.com](mailto:maryccoffin@gmail.com), [315-687-3589](tel:315-687-3589)

**Saturday Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> 6 pm. The Black River Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club will be holding its Annual Dinner at the Tug Hill Vineyards.** The guest speaker for the evening will be Jake Tibbles. Jake was appointed Executive Director of Thousand Island Land Trust in May 2012. He is a native of Redwood, New York and enjoys hiking, fishing, hunting and watersports. He has a life time passion for the environment, especially the Thousand Island region. Social hour starts at 6:00 with dinner at 7:00. The annual meeting and guest speaker will follow. Cost of the dinner is \$28.00 for both members and non-members. Please mail your check for the dinner in time to arrive by Oct. 20 to Doreen Hanson 17408 Star School house Rd. Dexter NY 13634. Reservation form is included with this mailing.

**Sunday Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> Walk the Olmstead Trails with Doreen:** Which ones? We will let weather and the hikers decide which trails. Let's share the history of Thompson Park and explore the excitement of our very own "area 51." Also learn the benefits the City of Watertown offers on the Thompson Park Trails all year long. We will meet at the zoo parking lot at 1 pm, in Thompson Park in Watertown.

**Sunday Dec 2, 1 PM - Poors Island, in the town of Black River.** Walk? Ski? Snowshoe? Depends on the weather. This is an easy wooded trip of about 1.5-2 miles along the shores of an island in the Black River. Trails are relatively flat. There should be nice views of the river. Your trip leader is a really slow walker, so plan on the walk taking about an hour. Directions: From Watertown, go out Route 3 to the light at the intersection with Main Street in Black River (Stewarts is on the corner.). Turn left at this light. Just before the next bridge over the river, make a right on St. Regis St. There is also a small brown sign saying Kamargo Recreation Area. The bridge to the island is just a few yards down; cross it to the parking area on the island. Trip leader Wendy Newell, 315-782-3015.

**ADK WINTER OUTING 2019:** Hosted by the Iroquois Chapter, join fellow winter enthusiasts to experience the thrill of cross country skiing or the invigorating activity of snow shoeing at the annual ADK Tug Hill winter outing January 18-20, 2019 (Martin Luther King weekend). The Tug Hill region is noted for the east's heaviest snowfall, just waiting for you to explore the numerous groomed and back country trails minutes from the club house (skis and snow shoes not provided.) You will "rough" it at the Mad River Club in Sandy Creek. Full package includes floor space for pad (or cot) and sleeping bag, snacks Friday evening, breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday, and a catered dinner Saturday. And if you feel lucky, several door prizes to tantalize your curiosity following dinner. For general information and registration contact David White at ccswhite@juno.com. Full registration is \$110. Saturday activities and dinner is \$45. All but \$20 is refundable to Dec. 31. For general information, contact Paul Sirtoli at alexsirtoli@outlook.com.

For more events and details visit [www.blackriveradk.org](http://www.blackriveradk.org) or find Black River Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain club on Facebook or call Doreen 315-778-6895. If you are not getting e-mails about our upcoming outings and would like to be on the e-mail list, or if you were getting them and no longer are, please send a message to Wendy Newell at [wendynewell@netscape.net](mailto:wendynewell@netscape.net) (please include your full name, thanks!)

**Saturday, Nov. 3rd<sup>h</sup>, 2018**  
**Annual Dinner and Chapter Meeting**

**The Black River Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club will be holding its Annual Dinner at the Tug Hill Vineyards (near Lowville) on Saturday, Nov. 3rd, at 6:00pm. The guest speaker for the evening will be Jake Tibbles, executive director of the Thousand Islands Land Trust. Join us for an interesting evening!**

Jake was appointed Executive Director in May 2012. He earned a bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the State University of New York at Cortland, majoring in both Biology and Chemistry. He first came to the Land Trust in 2007 in a research internship and continued on as Director of Stewardship. Since being appointed Executive Director, he has overseen TILT's Reaccreditation by the Land Trust Alliance Accreditation Commission, and its growth in conserved lands, in educational programs, and staffing. A native of Redwood, NY, Jake has a life-long passion for the environment and especially the Thousand Island region. He hikes, fishes, hunts and enjoys water sports. He has a keen appreciation for the importance of the St. Lawrence River system and is pleased to have the opportunity to work in its behalf

Social hour starts at 6:00 with dinner at 7:00. The annual meeting and guest speaker will follow. Cost of the dinner is \$28.00 for both members and non-members.

Directions: From Watertown – Take Route 12 South about 20 miles. Yancy Road is on the right, about seven miles from Copenhagen.

From Lowville – Travel about five miles on Route 12 North. Yancy Road is on the left.

From Adams Center – Head east on Route 177 for approximately 25 miles. Turn left on Route 12 North. Yancy Road is on the left about two miles from the turn off Route 177.

Tear off and return

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**Black River ADK Annual Dinner Reservation – Tug Hill Vineyards, Lowville, Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 2018.**

**Guest Speaker: Jake Tibbles**

**Please mail your response in time for it to arrive by Oct 20.**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make reservations for** \_\_\_\_\_ **people for the annual dinner.**

**Enclosed is a check for \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **(\$28 per person).**

**Mail this reservation form along with your check to:**

**Doreen Hanson  
17408 Star School House Road  
Dexter NY 13634**