

## **Wednesday, November 1, 2023**

### **Honeywood Ridge**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will carpool and drive to Honeywood and then to km 47.5 on Centre Road in the Dufferin Hi-Land section. We will park the cars and shuttle to km 41.7 on 20 Sideroad to begin the hike. This hike is over the newly acquired Honeywood Ridge property. It includes forest and open farm country with commanding views. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Richard Edwards **email:** edwardsdick04@gmail.com

## **Saturday, November 4, 2023**

### **Nottawasaga Bluffs**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the parking lot on 15/16 Sideroad in Singhampton and explore the Nottawasaga Bluffs. We will hike in a figure 8 loop taking in the Lookout along the way. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 22 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6 km

**Leader:** Mary Jane McIntyre **email:** maryj.mcintyre@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, November 8, 2023**

### **Balsam Wetlands - Glen Huron**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description: Car shuttle hike.** We will drive to and leave the cars on Station Street in Glen Huron and drive to km 37.4 (BTC parking lot off Cty. Rd. 91) to begin the hike. The trail winds its way through privately owned forest and farmland eventually coming to a viewing platform south of County Road 124. The hike continues down into the valley and at km 30.6 we meet up with the Mad River Side Trail. Following the side trail parallel to the Mad River we continue on to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 22 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 10km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, November 11, 2023**

### **Devilish Madness at Glen Huron**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** Starting at Glen Huron the trail will immediately climb the escarpment, taking us through a variety of mixed forests to the edge of the Devils Glen Provincial Park. We will then encounter multiple switchbacks to descend to the Mad River Side

Trail where we enjoy seeing this river grow as we travel along the river bank to return to our cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 22 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium/Brisk **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 11km

**Leader:** Sandy McNair **email:** sandy@mcnairgroup.biz

## **Wednesday, November 15, 2023**

### **Black Bank**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to and park some cars at 20 Sideroad and Prince of Wales Road (km 41.7) in the Dufferin Hi-Land section. We will then drive to km 49.7 on County Road 21 where we will begin the hike. We will follow a steep descent to the Black Bank River then climb out of the valley. After we cross Prince of Wales Road, there is an ascent to the top of the escarpment providing great views over the valley. We have a long gradual descent to the cars at the end of the hike at km 41.7. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8.2 km

**Leader:** Myra Campbell **email:** myra\_bert@icloud.com

## **Saturday, November 18, 2023**

### **Black Bank to Lavender**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** **Car shuttle hike.** We will drive to km 55.7 on the Mulmur-Nottawasaga Townline in the Dufferin Hi-Land section and leave the cars. We will then shuttle to km 47.5 on Centre Road to begin the hike. The trail climbs steeply up the east slope of the valley, passes through forest and alongside open fields. It has beautiful views to the east across the Nottawasaga Lowlands. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Wednesday, November 22, 2023**

### **Pretty River Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will carpool from Tim's in Collingwood to the snowmobilers parking lot near km 46.1. From here we will walk along the road to km 46.8 to begin the hike. We will follow the white blazed trail up a steep ascent to an upland cedar forest with nice views and then to another ascent along the prettiest babbling brook this side of paradise. The Pretty River Side Trail will take us back down the escarpment and then to our cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 7km

**Leader:** Richard Edwards **email:** edwardsdick04@gmail.com

## **Saturday, November 25, 2023**

### **Wasaga Dunes**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will meet at Tim Hortons in Wasaga Beach (take Beachwood Drive to Mosley Street and Tim Horton's is on the right just before the bridge). We will hike over the Dunes and along the river. The hike is partially on the Ganaraska trail. Bring a snack and water.

**Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** [michaeltreuman@gmail.com](mailto:michaeltreuman@gmail.com)

## **Wednesday, November 29, 2023**

### **Two Big Rocks-Metcalfe & Pinnacle**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** Starting at Beaver Valley section km 27.9, we will follow the white blazed trail west toward Duncan Crevice Caves Provincial Nature Reserve. At km 32.6 we will take the Chuck Grant Side Trail to create a loop. This unique and wonderful hike includes a wide variety of terrain, two bridge crossings of Mill Creek, two climbs and descents of the escarpment, all with spectacular views from Metcalfe and Pinnacle Rocks. Optional descents and climbs into the Metcalfe and Duncan Crevices, weather and grip permitting. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 25 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 10km

**Leader:** Sandy McNair **email:** [sandy@mcnairgroup.biz](mailto:sandy@mcnairgroup.biz)

## **Saturday, December 2, 2023**

### **Path of the Petun**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park at the intersection of the 2nd Line and the 6th Sideroad. The hike will go south on the John Haigh Side Trail, to join the white blazed trail at km 50.6. We will continue north on the white blazed trail to km 51.2, then back to our cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water. Hike with me on the Path of the Petun and learn about a great battle that was fought between the Iroquois and the Petun at the Petun Village of Etharita, also known as the "St. Jean". As we hike along the escarpment ridge, we will use our imaginations to see the Battle Ground and what this beautiful area was like in the mid 1600's.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 3 hours

**Leader:** Annette Sandberg **email:** [annettehsandberg@gmail.com](mailto:annettehsandberg@gmail.com)

## **Wednesday, December 6, 2023**

### **Nottawasaga Bluffs Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** From Tim's in Collingwood we will proceed to the NVCA parking area at km 21.9 for a 6 to 8 km loop hike. Depending on the weather we may be wearing boots, icers or snowshoes, please come prepared. We will hike west from the start, make the big loop past the Keyhole Side Trail to the lookout and return via either the Betty Carter Side Trail or the Hamilton Bros. Side Trail. We will pass through the newly acquired Maplecross property. A stop for hot soup in Singhampton may be a desirable option. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 22 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6-8km

**Leader:** Richard Edwards **email:** edwardsdick04@gmail.com

## **Saturday, December 9, 2023**

### **Hockley Valley**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park in the parking lot east of km 61.3 on Hockley Valley Road in the Dufferin Hi-Lands section. Starting on the white blazed trail we will climb, climb and climb until we reach the Glen Cross Side Trail. We will take this blue blazed trail and loop around until we connect back up with the white blazed trail. Continuing down we will join the Tom East Side Trail, taking this loop back around to the end of the trail, out and to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 18 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 12km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

### **Bighead Valley**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park the cars on 4th Concession S in the Sydenham section and hike west to Massie Forest and return. Trail passes through fields, bush and forest areas. The trail climbs to a high point near Bighead Campsite with views to the south. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 29 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 10 km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, December 16, 2023**

### **Loree Forest Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the parking area on the 21st Sideroad at the Loree

Forest. This is a circular hike that proceeds north along the access road to the Loree Forest. We then hike east along a forest trail and then west to arrive at the top of the Georgian Peaks ski club. We proceed west to arrive at the start point. There are several views of the Bay along the way. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 24 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Easy **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Annette Sandberg **email:** annettehsandberg@gmail.com

### **Wednesday, December 20, 2023**

#### **Two Big Rocks-Metcalfe & Pinnacle**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** Starting at Beaver Valley section km 27.9, we will follow the white blazed trail west toward Duncan Crevice Caves Provincial Nature Reserve. At km 32.6 we will take the Chuck Grant Side Trail to create a loop. This unique and wonderful hike includes a wide variety of terrain, two bridge crossings of Mill Creek, two climbs and descents of the escarpment, all with spectacular views from Metcalfe and Pinnacle Rocks. Optional descents and climbs into the Metcalfe and Duncan Crevices, weather and grip permitting. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 25 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 10km

**Leader:** Sandy McNair **email:** sandy@mcnairgroup.biz

### **Saturday, December 23, 2023**

No hike

**Start time: 9:00AM**

### **Wednesday, December 27, 2023**

**Mono Cliffs**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to Mono Centre (45 minutes from Collingwood south on Airport Rd.) and park in the village parking lot. We will enter the park and pick up the white blazed trail at km 1.2 of the Dufferin Hi-Land section. Climbing up the escarpment, we continue along the white blazed trail past McCarston's Lake to km 5.1. From here, we proceed up the Lookout Side Trail where we will have our lunch while enjoying the amazing view. We then return down the Spillway Trail and along the valley bottom to exit the park, having completed our circuit. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 19 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 10km

**Leader:** Sandy McNair **email:** sandy@mcnairgroup.biz

### **Saturday, December 30, 2023**

**Feversham Gorge**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the Feversham Gorge parking lot south of the bridge on

County Road 2. We will hike on the trail under the bridge and through the village of Feversham, cross the bridge then proceed on the Gorge trail. Great views of the Beaver River. The trail continues back to the top of the gorge, returning to the cars. The hike will include historical information. Bring a snack and water.

**Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Easy **Distance:** approx. 2 hours

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** michaeltreuman@gmail.com

## **Monday, January 1, 2024**

## **New Years Day**

**Dunedin Nature Reserve**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to Dunedin Valley Nature Preserve parking on 6/7 Sideroad at Concession 10. Following the white blazed trail south on Concession 10, we enter the nature preserve on the east side. We will loop through the Dunedin Nature Reserve. This area covers mixed terrain and habitats. The trail follows along the banks of a tributary of the Noisy River in a loop back to Concession 10. After crossing Concession 10, we proceed through some farmers fields to a great view at the bench. Continuing across the field and down a hill to County Road 9, we will turn around and retrace our steps back to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, January 3, 2024**

**Balsam Side Trail Loop, Fern Crevice**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the Black Ash Creek Side Trail parking lot on the 2nd Line (Parking fee: \$10). This will be a hike to recognize and celebrate our Indigenous peoples. We will start on this new side trail and then pick up the white blazed trail in the Petun Conservation Area. We will continue along until we cross the road at the Russ McConnell Side Trail. Following the side trail we reconnect with the white blazed trail taking us around the escarpment to take in all the views. We will continue on to the John Haigh Side Trail. There will be a little hiking on the road to get back to the cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Kelly Leigh Thomas **email:** drklthomas@rogers.com

## **Saturday, January 6, 2024**

## **Kolapore Uplands (Metcalf)**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** Starting at Beaver Valley section km 27.9, we will follow the white blazed trail west toward Duncan Crevice Caves Provincial Nature Reserve. At km 32.6 we will take the Chuck Grant Side Trail to create a loop. This unique and wonderful hike includes a wide variety of terrain, two bridge crossings of Mill Creek, two climbs and descents of the escarpment, all with spectacular views from Metcalfe Rock. Optional descents and climbs into the Metcalfe and Duncan Crevices, weather and grip permitting. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 25 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Strenuous **Distance:** 8.5km

**Leader:** Allison Thomas **email:** habfan24cups@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, January 10, 2024**

### **Nottawasaga Lookout**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to Blue Mountains/Clearview Townline, north of County Road 91 and park at Eagle Cres for a hike through the Nottawasaga Lookout Nature Reserve. We will start the hike at km 42.5 and hike through the woods to km 39.3. We will then retrace our steps back to the cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6.4km

**Leader:** Myra Campbell **email:** myra\_bert@icloud.com

## **Saturday, January 13, 2024**

### **Winter Version R2R #1 Pretty River Valley Note different meeting location**

**EARLY START Start time: 8:00AM**

**Description:** Parking will be in the Ontario Parks Lower Pretty River lot on Pretty River Road. We will climb the snowmobilers trail until it joins the white blazed trail. We follow this trail to the three lookouts and retrace our steps back to the cars. Hikers may drop out here. Those who wish to continue will follow the Pretty River Road until it meets the white blazed trail and follow this trail up to the Standing Rock and Caves Side Trail. We will climb through the Singhampton caves and return via the white blazed trail back to the cars. Depending on snow conditions this hike can take up to eight hours. COME PREPARED. Bring snowshoes, icers and poles. Bring lots of water, snacks and lunch.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium/Brisk **Terrain:** Strenuous **Distance:** 19.5km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, January 17, 2024**

### **Eleventh Line Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to a suitable start point for a hike through the many loop

trails off the Eleventh Line, just west of Collingwood. The trails are mostly in the trees and well sheltered. The hike will be approximately two hours. Bring a snack and water.

**Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Easy **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, January 20, 2024**

**Inglis Falls-Harrison Park**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park in Harrison Park in Owen Sound and start hiking south on the Palisades Side Trail and the white blazed trail to Inglis Falls at km 94.5 of the Sydenham section. After viewing the falls, return to the cars via Harrison Park Side Trail. This is a beautiful hike with varied terrain. The falls are spectacular. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 32 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8-10km

**Leader:**

## **Wednesday, January 24, 2024**

**Swiss Meadows - Loree Side Trail**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will start hiking at km 0.0 of the Beaver Valley section. We will hike to km 3.6, the Loree Side Trail and retrace our steps back to the cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 24 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 7km

**Leader:** Flo Kusiak **email:** f.kusiak@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, January 27, 2024**

**Hoggs Falls**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the Hoggs Falls parking lot at km 67.5 on Lower Valley Road in the Beaver Valley section. After viewing the falls, we will do a figure 8 loop hike using both the white blazed trail and various side trails. This hike takes us through a variety of different terrains and landscapes. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 26 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** michaeltreuman@gmail.com



## **Wednesday, January 31, 2024**

### **Ganaraska Loop - Nottawasaga River**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** This is a loop trail located near Wasaga Beach. Lots of hills and options to take. This will be an exploration of some new trails to hike. Be prepared to explore the variety within this hike. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** Ganaraska **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 7km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, February 3, 2024**

### **Bibbulmun Friendship Trail**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** This is one of our Friendship trails running along BTC trails and other conserved land north of Boyne Valley Provincial Park. We will park at km 29.4 on 1st Line E in the Dufferin Hi-Land section. The 7km figure eight hike will follow the white blazed trail to km 25.4, looping back to the parking lot via the Oliver Creek Side Trail and the Moss Haven Side Trail. The Bibbulmun Track in Western Australia stretches 1,000 km from Kalamunda in the Perth Hills to the historic town of Albany on the south coast. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 20 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 7km

**Leader:** Bob Moenck **email:** rmoenck@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, February 7, 2024**

### **Woodford-Crevise Spring Side Trail Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will carpool to and park at the Woodford Community Centre off Hwy. 26 in the Sydenham section. This in/out hike will proceed south for an hour on the white blazed trail, then back north along the side trail. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 30 Edition 30 **Pace:** Brisk **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Frank Huggins **email:** huggins\_frank@yahoo.ca

## **Saturday, February 10, 2024**

### **Winter Version R2R #2 Mad River Rim**

**EARLY START Start time: 8:00AM**

**Description:** We will start at Devil's Glen white blazed trail and hike across to a steep, slippery slope reaching Sideroad 15/16 meeting up with the Ganaraska Trail. Once reaching the Ganaraska sign you have completed half the hike and we will then retrace our steps back. Bring lots of water, lunch and snacks.

**Map:** 22 Edition 30 **Pace:** Brisk **Terrain:** Strenuous **Distance:** 12km

**Leader:** Hart Fisher **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

### **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

**Transcarioca Friendship Trail**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to km 14.1 on 9/10 Sideroad and park the cars. We will hike north to the picnic table and retrace our steps back to the cars. Hikers have the opportunity to opt out at this point or continue hiking south to an agreed upon turn around location. The trail passes through forest and field and follows several rocky crevices. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 22 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 7km?

**Leader:** Allison Thomas **email:** habfan24cups@gmail.com

### **Saturday, February 17, 2024**

**Margaret Paull Side Trail Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive via Grey Road 119 to the end of the 6th Line in the Beaver Valley section. We will hike along the white blazed trail to km 11.3 where it joins up with the Margaret Paull Side Trail. We will follow the side trail back to the white blazed trail, then return to the cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 24 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** michaeltreuman@gmail.com

### **Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

**Climb Escarpment from Craigleith**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** This is a snowshoe hike. We will drive to a suitable parking area in Craigleith. Our trails will involve some escarpment climbing, switchbacks and there will be great views. No matter what it will be a challenging hike. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

### **Saturday, February 24, 2024**

**Moonlight hike-Eleventh Line Loop**

**LATE START Start time:6:30PM**

**Description:** We will drive to a suitable start point for a hike through the many loop trails off the Eleventh Line, just west of Collingwood. The trails are mostly in the trees

and well sheltered. The hike will be about two hours. Bring a snack and water. February's full moon is commonly known as the Full Snow Moon in Native American cultures. These ancient tribes named this moon after the way trees cracked in the cold, or how people had to sit shoulder to shoulder around the fire for warmth. The Full Snow Moon is also known as the Bone Moon. **Moonlight Badge available for \$10.**

**Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Easy **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Wednesday, February 28, 2024**

**Eugenia Falls-Hoggs Falls**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will begin the hike at the parking lot at Eugenia Falls, km 60.8. We will hike south on the white blazed trail to Hoggs Falls Upper Side Trail at km 64.8 and return. Lovely views of the waterfalls. Bring a snack or lunch and water. Parking \$8.

**Map:** 26 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8km

**Leader:**

## **Saturday, March 2, 2024**

**McCluskey's Rock**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park on Sideroad 7B at km 43.5 in the Beaver Valley section. The in/out hike proceeds north on the white blazed trail which winds along the top of the escarpment before descending through a crack to the bottom. We then climb to the top again before descending once more to km 39.3. We get to enjoy it all over again as we retrace our steps back to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 27 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8km

**Leader:** Annette Sandberg **email:** annettehsandberg@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, March 6, 2024**

**Walters Falls**

**Start time: 9:30AM**

**(see below for meeting location)**

**Description:** The 5km loop snowshoe provides an interesting blend of the scenic and the historic along the river and surrounding woods. There are some steep, but short ascents. The second half of the 19th century saw the area develop into a thriving community, built around the water power of Walter Creek. At the halfway point, we will take in the view of the falls and valley from the observation platform, and then after completing the loop, there will be the option to have lunch at the Inn. Bring a snack or lunch and water. Note: This could be a snowshoe hike or "icers", depending on the snow conditions.

**Map:** 29 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Linda Finley **email:** lindamfinley@gmail.com

\*Meeting place and time for carpooling is 9:30 am at Don Bumstead & Family Medical Centre, 206106 Highway 26, Meaford.\*

## **Saturday, March 9, 2024**

**Winter Version R2R #3 Noisy River Rim**

**EARLY START Start time:8:00AM**

**Description:** We will park at the side of the road at the Noisy River Provincial Park on County Road 9. We will descend into the park crossing the Noisy River before ascending to Concession 9. At this point, we will turn around and hike back to County Road 9. This 2km stretch will be repeated two more times for a total of 6kms. A very hilly hike. Bring lots of water, snacks and lunch. **Purchase your Winter R2R badge online if all three hikes were completed (\$10.00).**

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Brisk **Terrain:** Strenuous **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, March 13, 2024**

**Lower Beaver Valley**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will begin the hike at the parking area on Johnston's Sideroad at km 74.3 in the Beaver Valley section. We will hike south to km 68.3 and retrace our steps heading north to the cars. Trail climbs a high meadow then east across to Cuckoo Valley and down the Beaver Valley towards the high eastern edges of the escarpment. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 26 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance** 11-12km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**Petun Conservation Area**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park on the 2nd Line where we will start the hike. Hiking west across to the 3rd Line and back, we will continue east along the white blazed trail to the Petun Conservation area. Here we meet up with the Petun Side Trail at the top of Osler Bluff and will follow the blue blazed trail to form a loop back to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8.3 km

**Leader:** Annette Sandberg **email:** annettehsandberg@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, March 20, 2024**

### **Hart's Triple Hell**

**EARLY START Start time: 8:00AM**

**Description:** Three steep climbs makes for a very challenging hike. Footing is generally good but we may encounter some spots that are tricky along the way and some road hiking. Terrain includes shale and sandstone. We will include Russ McConnell Side Trail, John Haigh Side Trail and Pretty River Side Trail at some point along the way when you are least expecting it. It is always a strenuous and fulfilling adventure. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Pace:** Brisk **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 12km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Saturday, March 23, 2024**

### **Beaverdale Forest**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park at km 91.9 on Sideroad 16C in the Beaver Valley section. We will follow the white blazed trail north to km 94.9 and return via the Sligo Side Trail to the cars. The trail meanders through varied wilderness terrain that includes extensive wetlands, a large beaver pond, deciduous forest, spruce and pine plantations and an old forest road. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 27 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8km

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** michaeltreuman@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, March 27, 2024**

### **Franks Lime Kiln - Singhampton Caves**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** An enjoyable snowshoe along the white blazed trail through the upper escarpment, descending to the Standing Rock Side Trail where the trail becomes more challenging and quite the climb. An enjoyable view of Standing Rock in all its magnificence, then up and over icy rock faces and through icy cracks and crevices. Once at the top continue on to close the loop. Take the Franks Kiln Side Trail just before you reach the end of the loop to view a restored lime kiln that was originally built circa 1860. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 22/23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 12km

**Leader:** Mary-Lynne Chenard **email:** mlchenard@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, March 30, 2024**

### **Nottawasaga Lookout Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the Blue Mountains/Clearview Townline, north of County Road 91 and park at Eagle Cres for a hike through the Nottawasaga Lookout Nature Reserve. We will start the hike at km 42.5 and hike through the woods for about an hour before retracing our steps. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Easy **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Richard Edwards **email:** edwardsdick04@gmail.com

### **Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

**Hockley Valley on the 4th Line-Part 1**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park on the 4th Line in the Caledon Hills section and beginning at km 54.5, we will hike to km 49.0 (Airport Road) and return. The trail descends by way of switchback, passes through valleys and climbs the eastern ridge. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 18 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 12km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

### **Saturday, April 6, 2024**

**Old Baldy**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We park on County Road 13 at km 46.8 and hike up the escarpment on the white blazed trail to Old Baldy and Mac Kirk Side Trail. This is a lollipop hike. Trail passes lookouts and you can birdwatch for turkey vultures and buteo hawks. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 26 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Annette Sandberg **email:** annettehsandberg@gmail.com

### **Wednesday, April 10, 2024**

**Monument Hill, Ganaraska**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** This is a loop trail located near Wasaga Beach. Lots of hills and options to take. This will be an exploration of some new trails to hike. Be prepared to explore the variety within this hike. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** Ganaraska **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8.5km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

### **Saturday, April 13, 2024**

**Hockley Valley on the 4th Line-Part 2**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park on 4th Line in the Caledon Hills section, begin at km 55.1 and hike to the Hockley Valley Resort service road. For the next 1.1 km the trail will traverse the Resort's ski facilities. A long descent occurs after the maintenance sheds. The length is determined by group ability. Can be 5km before retracing steps, but easily shortened if required. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 18 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 7km

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

### **Bayview Escarpment**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** This is a loop hike exploring the Lebanon Mountain Friendship Trail, Bayview Escarpment Side Trail and the River Kwai Side Trail. Part of the trail is along the escarpment edge with numerous deep crevices and high cliffs. The views are magnificent which means some steep climbs. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 30 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 13.5km

**Leader:** Sandy McNair **email:** sandy@mcnairgroup.biz

## **Saturday, April 20, 2024**

### **Balsam Side Trail Loop, Fern Crevice**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the Black Ash Creek Side Trail parking lot on the 2nd Line (Parking fee: \$10). This will be a hike to recognize and celebrate our Indigenous peoples. We will start on this new side trail and then pick up the white blazed trail in the Petun Conservation Area. We will continue along until we cross the road at the Russ McConnell Side Trail. Following the side trail we reconnect with the white blazed trail taking us around the escarpment to take in all the views. We will continue on to the John Haigh Side Trail. There will be a little hiking on the road to get back to the cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

**Leader:** Mary Jane McIntyre **email:** maryj.mcintyre@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

### **Griersville - Anthea's Waterfall**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park at km 113.6 on the Euphrasia-St. Vincent Townline in the Beaver Valley section. This in and out hike proceeds west across the height of land that separates the Beaver River Valley and Bighead River Valley. The trail meanders through cultivated fields and hardwood bush with great views to the north. We will stop to enjoy Anthea's Waterfall before retracing our steps back to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 28 Edition 30 **Pace:** Brisk **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 10km

**Leader:** Frank Huggins **email:** huggins\_frank@yahoo.ca

## **Saturday, April 27, 2024**

**Creemore - Mingay loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** This 204 acre property features majestic, mature sugar maple trees and a meandering cold water stream. This lush Niagara Escarpment forest is home to a variety of rare and at risk species. The sounds of hairy and pileated woodpeckers echo through the trees. We will creatively combine Mingay, Maple Leaf and Trout trails to complete a loop-de-loop. Bring a snack and water.

**Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Easy **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** michaeltreuman@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, May 1, 2024**

**Lavender - Noisy River**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park at Lavender Cemetery roadside parking about 0.5 km east of Lavender Hill Road on Mulmur-Nottawasaga Townline. We begin hiking from the cemetery over to the start of the Blue Mountains section, up to County Road 9 and back. This hike offers a variety of terrain as we travel along crevices and through forest and fields at times following alongside the Noisy River and a beautiful wetland. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 13km

**Leader:** Mary Lynne Chenard **email:** mlchenard@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, May 4, 2024**

**Margaret Paull Side Trail Loop**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive via Grey Road 119 to the end of the 6th Line in the Beaver Valley section. We will hike along the white blazed trail to km 11.3 where it joins up with the Margaret Paull Side Trail. We will follow the side trail back to the main trail, then return to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 24 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Easy/Moderate **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Annette Sandberg **email:** [annettehsandberg@gmail.com](mailto:annettehsandberg@gmail.com)

## **Wednesday, May 8, 2024**

**Wodehouse Karst**

**Start time: 9:00AM**



**Description:** We will drive to the Wodehouse Karst parking lot on the 7th Line south of Sideroad 7A in the Beaver Valley section. We will hike along the Wodehouse Karst Side Trail to the white blazed trail at km 83.6 and hike south to km 79.5. Here we will meet up with the Valley Crossover Side Trail and hike north to meet up with the Kimberley Side Trail. Continuing north on the Kimberley Side Trail we meet up with the white blazed trail at km 83.1 and retrace our steps back to the cars. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 26 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate/Strenuous **Distance:** 12km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, May 11, 2024**

### **DOUBLE Surprise Hike**

**EARLY START Start time: 8:00AM**

**Description:** This will be a surprise. Guaranteed to be super challenging and strenuous. Come prepared for a workout. You should be a hiker experienced in longer distance hikes as well as managing various terrains. Bring lots of water, snacks and lunch and maybe even dinner.

**Map:** Unknown It's a surprise **Pace:** Brisk **Terrain:** Strenuous **Distance:** loooooong

**Leader:** Hart Fischer **email:** hfischer@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, May 15, 2024**

### **Lavender**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will park at Lavender Cemetery roadside parking about 0.5 km east of Lavender Hill Rd. on Mulmur-Nottawasaga Townline. We will hike from the cemetery over to the start of the Blue Mountains section and continue up to County Road 9. We will then retrace our steps back to the cars. This hike offers a variety of terrain, along crevices, through forest, fields and alongside the Noisy River and a beautiful wetland. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 21 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 13km

**Leader:** Allison Thomas **email:** habfan24cups@gmail.com

## **Saturday, May 18, 2024**

### **Eugenia Falls to Hoggs Falls**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will begin the hike at the parking lot at Eugenia Falls, km 60.8. We will hike south on the white blazed trail to Hoggs Falls Upper Side Trail at km 64.8 and return. Lovely views of the waterfalls. Bring a snack or lunch and water. Parking \$8.

**Map:** 26 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 8km

**Leader:** Bob Moenck **email:** rmoenck@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, May 22, 2024**

**Boyne Valley**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the parking area on Centre Road, south of the 5 Sideroad, at the edge of the forest in Dufferin Hi-Land section. We will proceed to make a two loop hike through the Boyne Valley Provincial Park. The hike will include great views from Murphy's Pinnacle. Bring a snack or lunch and water.

**Map:** 20 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 14km

**Leader:** David Little **email:** davidgeorge52@hotmail.com

## **Saturday, May 25, 2024**

**Walters Falls**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** The 5km loop provides an interesting blend of the scenic and the historic along the river and surrounding woods. There are some steep, but short ascents. The second half of the 19th century saw the area develop into a thriving community, built around the water power of Walter Creek. At the start, take in the view of the falls and valley from the observation platform, and then after completing the loop, quench your thirst and have lunch at the Inn. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 29 Edition 30 **Pace:** Medium **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 5km

**Leader:** Michael Treuman **email:** michaeltreuman@gmail.com

## **Wednesday, May 29, 2024**

**John Haigh Side Trail - Upper Pretty River**

**Start time: 9:00AM**

**Description:** We will drive to the junction of the 2nd Line and the 6th Sideroad, then commence a loop hike through the upper level of the Pretty River Provincial Park. Following the John Haigh Side Trail, we will hike south to join the white blazed trail, then head north to km 52.6. From here we will head west along the 6th Sideroad back to the cars. Bring a snack and water.

**Map:** 23 Edition 30 **Pace:** Leisurely **Terrain:** Moderate **Distance:** 6km

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