

<p>2017 OLD-TIMERS HIKING SCHEDULE FOR JULY ,AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER</p> <p>Founded in 1991 by CB Willis and Don Frederick and named by Jim Widener</p> <p>Please note if the hike write-up does not mention breakfast there will be no breakfast stop on that hike, so please eat breakfast before coming to the church and signing in.</p>	
MON.- JULY-3	A short-3 mile- Monday hike for the day before the 4 th —Form your carpools at the church and meet the leader in Jonesborough at Persimmon Ridge Park, near the ball field/bathroom parking area. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423-747-4881
WED.- JULY-5	On the AT, Chestoa to Temple Hill Gap and back. 8.4 miles. This is a steep hike, but the views are breathtaking. If we hike early enough in the summer, the Rosebay Rhododendron may still be blooming, and the temperatures are usually cooler than lower elevations. Moderate to strenuous. Clarence's for breakfast. Leader: Jeannine Edwards (H) 423-202-7207; (C) 901-351-1779; email jeannine21@bellsouth.net
MON-JULY-10	A 6 to 7 mile moderate hike starts on the AT near Hot Springs at Tanyard Gap and then hikes either the Mills Ridge Trail or the Pump Gap Trail—leader's choice-and then returns to the cars using the AT. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423-747-4881
WED.-JULY- 12	A 10 mile strenuous in and out hike on the AT from 19-E to Hump Mountain. Those wishing shorter mileage can turn around at Doll Flats for a 6 mile hike. Leader: Dave Polon, cell: 423-302-8368.
MON-JULY-17	Rock Creek Falls. 5 miles. In-out. Moderate, with the climb growing steeper as we near the falls. This is in the Unaka Mountain Wilderness Area, and is quite beautiful, as we walk beside Rock Creek—which we will cross several times, so be prepared. Breakfast at Clarence's. Leader: Jeannine Edwards 423-202-7207 cell 901-351-1779 email jeannine21@bellsouth.net
WED. JULY-19	A moderate 7 mile hike from Camp Creek Bald to Allen Gap. We will leave a car at Allen Gap and hike down from Camp Creek Bald. Leader: Howard Guinn 423 753-4072 cell 423-747-4881
MON,-JULY-24	Mileage 6 ; Heading south on the AT from TN 107 / NC 226, this trail offers a beauty of hardwood forest and open grassy areas. Leader: Janice Miller, 423-543-5602 Breakfast at Clarence's.
WED.,JULY 26	An in and out moderate to strenuous 8.6 mile hike north on A/T from Chestoa to Curly Maple shelter. Breakfast at Clarence's. Leader: Wayne Jones cell 423-737-4852
MON.,JULY-31	A 6.8 mile moderate in and out hike on the AT from Shook Branch to Pond Flats. The high elevation “pond” in the flats area is a rare phenomenon in mature topography and does dry up at times, we will see if we can find it. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423-747-4881
WED.--AUG-2	A moderate 9.2 mile in and out hike south on the AT beginning at Tenn. 91 at Cross Mountain to Iron Mountain Shelter. Shorter 6 mile hike is possible if you turn around at the Nick Grindstaff Monument. Leader: Wayne Jones cell 423-737-4852
MON.-AUG-7	There aren't many chances to hike with a 98 year old leader, so don't casually miss this opportunity. It will be an easy 2.3 (or possibly 2.5) mile clockwise hike around the lake at Bays Mountain park in Kingsport. I'll meet you for breakfast at Hardees's on Dennis By-pass just off of I-26 at about 8:30. Bring rain gear and plenty of water but lunch only if you plan to independently hike further. This hike only takes about 75 minutes at my speed. Bob Miller, 423/245-1465 or rwm1029@hotmail.com.

WED.-AUG-9	Strenuous 13 mile hike on the AT from Sam's Gap to Big Bald and back. Those wishing shorter mileage can turn around at Street Gap for a 4. 6 moderate mile hike. Leader: Dave Polon, cell: 423-302-8368.
MON.-AUG -14	Laurel Fork Falls from U.S. 321. Moderate. 5 miles. We will hike the blue blaze trail to the AT to these beautiful falls. On the way back, we can opt to return via the blue blaze high water trail that takes us by the Laurel Fork Shelter. Leader: Jeannine Edwards jeannine21@bellsouth.net Phone: (H) 423-202-7207; (C) 901-351-1779
WED-AUG-16	A strenuous 11.3 mile hike on the AT from Summit Cut US 58 to Feathercamp Branch US 58. We will make a rest stop in Damascus at the park before going on to our trailheads. We will hope for a keyswap if not we will drop a driver's car at Feathercamp Branch. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423 -747-4881
MON.-AUG-21	<p>The Old-Timers Hiking Club will meet at the church on Monday August 21st at 7 am and Tim Manning will lead from the church to meet the Greenville Hiking Club at the Wal-Mart in Weaverville,N.C. AT EXIT 19 for a bathroom stop.</p> <p>Then we will continue on I 26 to Hwy 25 S toward Greenville S.C. Hwy 11 South. There will be a bathroom stop at the Table Rock State Park Visitors Center,before heading West on 11 south to Walhalla in Oconee County S.C.We will turn RIGHT on Hwy 28 going North about 6 miles before taking a Right onto Tunnel Road;then a Right onto Ross Mountain Road to the Ross Mountain Dove Field,which is a 20 acre open field owned by the US Forest Service.</p> <p>After viewing the field we will drive back down Hwy 28 to the Yellow Branch Picnic Area in the edge of the Sumter National Forest where there is a picnic pavilion and toilet. There is a 3 mile in and out,easy to moderate hike to the Yellow Branch Falls.Across the road is Stumphouse Park and Tunnel and Issaqueena Falls which is beautiful if time permits,we will go there also.-----Questions David Douthat 423-639-8567</p>
WED.-AUG-23	A 9.6 mile strenuous in/out hike on the AT from Howard Harrison Rd. to Moreland Gap shelter. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072
MON.-AUG-28	A strenuous 6 mile hike at Horse Creek Park on the Turkey Pen and Middle Springs Trails. There are a few creek crossings that we should be able to cross on rocks in August. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072
WED-AUG -30	Strenuous 10.4 mile hike on the AT from Walnut Mountain Road to 19E. Details of a keyswap or a car drop will be worked out at the church. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423-747-4881
MON.-SEPT-4 Labor day	Hike to the tower via the Pinnacle Trail at Unicoi. Lots of switchback take you up and back for a total of 9 ½ moderate miles. As this is an in-out, with well-marked miles, it is easy to go for a shorter hike, if you choose. Breakfast at Clarence's. Meet at the church at 8:00, at Clarence's at 8:15 or at the trail head at 8:45. Leader: Jeannine Edwards. Home 423-202-7207Cell 901-351-1779 e-mail jeannine21@bellsouth.net
WED-SEPT-6	An 8 mile strenuous hike into the old settlement of Lost Cove. We start at

	<p>Devil Creek Gap and use the Devil Creek trail as our in and out route. Last time we were there in 2014 one old house remained. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423-747-4881</p>
MON-SEPT-11	<p>A 6.2 mile moderate in and out hike from Elk Gardens at VA 600 to Buzzard Rock which will be our lunch spot and our turn around point. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423 -741-4881</p>
WED-SEPT-13	<p>11 mile hike south on the A/T from Devil's Fork Gap to the Shelton Gravesites in and out. Moderate to Strenuous. Breakfast at Clarence's. Leader :Wayne Jones cell 423-737-4852</p>
MON-SEPT-18	<p>A 6 mile moderate to strenuous in and out hike on the Mountains to Sea Trail. We will hike to the Folk Art Center, then on to the Blue Ridge Parkway Visitors Center before turning around and heading back to our cars. Breakfast at Clarence's. Leader: David Douthat 423-639-8567 cell 423-620-3437.</p>
WED-SEPT-20	<p>An 8.9 mile hike on the AT from Hughes Gap to Iron Mt Gap. Meet the leader at the church. We will stop at Clarence's for breakfast. Leader: Lana Scott 423-929-9094 or cell 423-741-7058</p>
MON-SEPT-25	<p>Fall walk-thru and clean up of our section of AT. We will do minor pruning, clean up around Cherry Gap shelter, and remove downed limbs and trees. We will form our carpools at the church and meet at Clarence's for breakfast. Leaders Eric Middlemas 423-282-6987 and Mike Hupko 423-929-2626</p>
WED-SEPT-27	<p>A moderate 8 mile loop on Buffalo Mountain starting at the Lone Oak Trailhead and returning to the Lone Oak Trailhead. Leader: Howard Guinn 423-753-4072 cell 423-747-4881</p>
	<p>We leave Covenant Presbyterian Church, 603 Sunset Drive, Johnson City, Tenn. each Monday and Wednesday at 8am. Come join us; bring lunch, PLENTY of water, gas money, a snack, each person should carry a small first aid kit, you should also carry a little extra food just in case, raingear [it may rain where the hike is even if the weather here does not say rain], and most important bring yourself and a smile and come enjoy our hikes. Everyone is welcome, member or not. We are an alcohol free activity. Participation in club activities carries with it the obligation to hold the club and its representatives free of liability for individual safety. President and founder of Old-Timers Hiking Club—CB Willis 423-282-3325. cbwillis@charter.net Treasurer and person to give your membership dues[per year/per family \$10.00]-Gil Derouen 423- 283-7767 –or 2702 Avondale Drive—Johnson City, Tenn. 37604 -- gilderrouen@comcast.net Website---http://oldtimershikingclub.weebly.com Trail Work Coordinator—Eric Middlemas 423-282-6987 Mike Hupko-423-929-2626 Hike schedule—Faye Guinn-423-753-4072 wegonehiking@embarqmail.com</p>