

OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

TREKKER 2005



*Springtime — the earth awakens
Nature clothes herself anew . . .*

*Enjoy the freedom and beauty
of the great outdoors . . .*

all waiting for you!

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Celebrating 39 Years of Outdoor Experiences!





Outdoor Club of South Jersey

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey, Inc., is an organization dedicated to providing opportunities for extending the individual's knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of his or her environment through experiences in outdoor activities.

The Club offers a twelve month program of activities designed for all ages and levels of ability and interest, and as is feasible with available leadership. The Club is open to all persons regardless of age or place of residence.

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The officers and members of the Board of Trustees actively seek and welcome your comments, suggestions or recommendations towards the fulfillment of our aims and objectives. Our progress and success are dependent upon the quality and effectiveness of our leadership. Your participation in activities, committees, or in programs and projects is solicited.

When you have questions, need further clarification, or require additional details, you are welcome to call the pertinent committee chairman.

MEETINGS

Club members are invited to attend the monthly meetings. The Board of Trustees meets each month. See schedule for locations. After the business session, some meetings will feature a program presented by the various activities. Everyone is welcome! Come out and support your representatives.

COMING EVENTS

MAURICE RIVER CLEARING IN MAY AND JUNE – Looking for a few good kayakers to help clear a path down Still Water Run from Rt 40 Malaga into Willow Grove Lake, Leader: John 856-691-3047 taxman56@aol.com

CAMPING / CANOEING/HIKING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE – OCSJ 'S ANNUAL TRIP TO WHITE MOUNTAINS. July 1-4. Come earlier or stay later. We stay at Pine Knoll Camping, a private campground. Water and electricity at each site. RV's or tents. Hikers welcome. We do day trips from our campsites. For details call leader. Leader: Art M., 215-788-7451, after 8:30 p.m.

GUIDED KAYAK ECO-TOUR. June 18. In the heart of Great Bay Wildlife Management Area. Info 609-296-1888.

SOJOURN TRIPS. FYI Events called Sojourns are sponsored by a variety of groups in the Spring to showcase a particular river. Last year members paddled the Delaware, and Schuylkill Rivers. They all gave high marks. You determine length of stay. For more details contact Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780, E-mail, hornet71@verizon.net

VOLUNTEER VACATIONS. Join dedicated volunteers and experience the joy and camaraderie of working on a trail and conserving a legacy. Volunteers restore deteriorating trails and build new ones around the U.S. while enjoying unique one or two week vacations. Call or write American Hiking Society, 1422 Fenwick Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Or call Shirley Horn, Volunteer Programs Manager at 301-565-6704. x206 Fax 301-565-6714 e-mail: volunteer@AmericanHiking.org. www.americanhiking.org info@americanhiking.org

ADULT CPR AND AED: November 5, 10:00 A.M., 2-hour class limited to ten people \$10.00 per person club members only. For more information contact Cindy Nimz 856-415-12018.

VA & MD KAYAK COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND. We paddle the Pocomoke River in MD down to Snow Hill, about 10 miles We also paddle the local bays around Chincoteague and Assateague or another tidal river in MD or VA. Trip is flexible and adjusted to match the paddler's skills and interests. There's camping in the Pocomoke Forest and on Chincoteague. Rentals may be available. John 856-691-3047. HYPERLINK "mailto:Taxman56@aol.com" Taxman56@aol.com. Please put OCSJ in all e-mail headers.

X/C SKIING AT CRAFTSBURY, NEW YEAR'S, '05/'06 Sign up ASAP for this very popular trip to a classic X/C ski resort. Lynn N. 856 667-2192.

-----NEWS AND NOTES-----

We regret to inform you that the US Postal Service has ruled that OCSJ, as a non-profit organization, mailing the schedule of activities in the Trekker, at discounted mail rates, cannot advertise "Stuff For Sale."

Due to the US Postal Service ruling, we can no longer provide this service to our members. Accordingly, the "Stuff For Sale" page in the Trekker has been discontinued.

For those members buying ads for more than one issue, we will refund the remaining costs of your ad as soon as is feasible.

Thanks to all of the many members that utilized this important member service over the years. We are in contact with the Postal Service pursuing ways to provide services to our membership that substantially relate to our qualifying purpose. We may be able to have Stuff for Sale ads on the website in the future.

GRAND MILE CLUB. Had nine individuals who met their goal of hiking 1000 miles in 2004. They were: Dot Abbott, Bob Bruneau, Dave Chamberlain, Bruce Doorly, Joe Hummel, Joan Moretti, Bill Poulson, Chuck Schwartz, and Sal Tucci. The Club began the year with 14 members and finished with 12, and 11 were on hand for a luncheon at Charley's Other Brother to celebrate their accomplishment. If you like to hike (and maybe would like to do a bit more) and enjoy a challenge, the GMC could be right up your alley. Regular hiking can help control weight and reduce the risk of a range of diseases. It's a little late for 2005, but keep us in mind for next year. . . . Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609. wpoul@comcast.net

ATTENTION: CANOERS AND KAYAKERS. Late word just received indicates Bel Haven Canoe Rentals in Green Bank may be closed this spring and summer. Check with the Canoeing/Kayaking Activity Chair for information on other available canoe rental places in the area.

RICHARD K. GREVE` MEMORIAL FUND has been created in memory of Richard, who passed away on July 31, 2004. The premise of a gift to the fund is to provide scholarship assistance to members to participate in outdoor education activities. Specific information will be forthcoming with details on how to apply. If you wish to contribute, you can indicate your gift on the membership and renewal page, inside the back cover.

The Club is still in need of volunteers to **Adopt-a-Section of Trail**. We are obligated to maintain 20+ miles of the BATONA Trail from Batsto to Bass River, plus side trails. Members are needed to adopt short sections or short trails to keep maintained. More members are needed to share the load. Call OCSJ Trail Maintenance Supervisor, Dennis Hull, 609-804-0025, to volunteer today! The Spring growth needs to be cut away now!

Trail maintenance volunteers are also needed at **Parvin State Park**, located in the eastern part of Salem County, in Pittsgrove Township, 6 miles W of Vineland on Rt. 540 and 7 miles NE of Bridgeton. To help out at the Park or to get more information, contact OCSJ member Charles Cook at **856-825-9126**. State parks and forests welcome volunteers for a variety of tasks. You can help to make the trails better places for everyone. Contact the specific park or forest agency to volunteer.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Club offers all members an opportunity to be a part of, or to create their own outdoor experiences or activity. All activities are led by volunteer members. NO volunteers, NO activities. It's that simple!

You can make a difference. Your volunteer involvement in Club activities is unique and special contributions that play a valuable role in **YOUR** Club! Talk to your Activity Committee Chair about what you can volunteer to do to improve **YOUR CLUB!**



HIKING



A Message from the Activity Chair

Our Spring schedule will have a familiar look to it, with hikes offered on most Mondays, Wednesdays, Friday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays. And choices available on a number of these days. In addition to the "tried and true" standards that are always the core of our schedule, you will find a few new hikes not previously offered, so look this schedule over carefully.

The hiking component of our HOT LINE and "Hiking Updates" section of our website are now being maintained (a special "thank you" to Bob Bruneau, who is updating the "Hiking Updates" section for us). Both of these will carry information on newly added hikes, changes to existing hikes and, in some cases, hikes that are being canceled.

YOU WILL NOT FIND THIS INFORMATION IN EITHER YOUR TREKKER OR THE WEBSITE VERSION OF THE TREKKER, so think about checking these periodically. Our Annual Awards Banquet will be held on Friday, April 15. See page 9.

For our part, we will be recognizing 22 hiking members who led or co-led 6 hikes during 2004. These are the folks who make what we all enjoy so much about the Club possible. I hope that you will be able to join us. And I hope to see you on the trails this Spring.

Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609
wpoul@comcast.net



CANOEING/KAYAKING



A message from the Canoe/Kayak Activity Chair

We are offering instruction at various times to all members, novice to the more advanced to improve their skills. As you go thru the schedule, you'll see basic paddling skills instruction being offered either by club members or thru local outfitters. More rentals will be available which will permit greater participation in trips to such places as the Delaware River and Sea kayaking in the Tuckerton area. Evening Skills nights will be offered at Lake Lenape. We are very fortunate in the many locations we have to paddle and the volunteers that have offered their time. Come and enjoy the fastest growing outdoor activity.

Paddling can be fun but be prepared. Please leave sufficient driving time to safely arrive. Wear the appropriate clothing and have a water protected dry change of clothes with you. Life vests are required by law for all participants, as is a flashlight for evening trips. A whistle is required for Delaware River trips and recommended for all trips and painter lines are a good idea. Water levels, weather, and leader availability may cause trip cancellations or changes including additions. Please check the telephone hotline. If you have E-mail, get added to the Paddling E-mail list by contacting Frank Pearce at hornet71@verizon.net. Leaders have final say on trip participation involving safety concerns. Everyone must sign in for liability reasons and leaders must submit sheets to Canoe Chair ASAP.

See You on the Water!!

Frank Pearce
Hornet71@verizon.net
856-767-2780 before 8 p.m.

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BICYCLING

A Message From the Bicycling Activity Chair

The cycling activity does most of its communicating via the web page (ocsj.org). All Class A, B, D, ATB and most C rides are listed only on the web page. I encourage you to check the ride listings often as rides are added/changed during the month. We now have a new topica mailing list for OCSJ members only - [HYPERLINK](mailto:HYPERLINKmailto:ocsj-rides@topica.com) <mailto:ocsj-rides@topica.com> . This new list can be used by members to list new, late breaking rides and/or ride changes in their entirety without any approval by the Activity Chair. If you are interested in joining, please send me your name and email address.

Alan Horowitz
Basket@us.com
856-235-1804



SCHEDULE SUBMISSION DEADLINES

MONTHLY LISTINGS: up to the 15th of the prior month.

TREKKER: Winter - October 15; Spring - January 15; Summer - April 15; Fall - July 15.

A Rides	Tony Marchionne	856-869-0473
B Rides	Alan Horowitz	856-235-1804
C Rides	Claire Farnham	856-672-0204
D Rides	Bob Harris	609-859-8857
D Rides	Maggie Heinman	609-518-8906
ATB Rides	Jim McCabe	856-797-2365
Tandem Rides	Burt Nussbaum	856-667-8757
Ride Librarian	Jim Bodnar	609-654-1507
Touring	Don Villanova	856-235-2457

EFFECTIVE CYLING CLASS. JUNE 11 & 18, 2005

Registration before class required

EFFECTIVE CYCLING ROAD 1

INCLUDES:	Bicycle handling and safety Emergency maneuvers
Presented by:	Fran Horn, 856-786-0048
Dates:	June 11 & 18 , 2005
PLACE:	Mount Laurel Library
Cost:	\$50.00 for course material

To participate in the course, return this form
With \$ 50 CHECK BY June 1, 2005

**FRAN HORN, 2410 LAUREL DRIVE,
CINNAMINSON, NJ 08077**

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

PARTICIPATION NOTICE

The Outdoor Club, its officers and leaders, shall not be liable for any injuries, illness, loss or damage to any person or property, as a result of participation in any Club outing. Each participant assumes all risk and liability connected therewith. All persons, MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS ALIKE, are to sign with the leader at each activity.

WALKING DISTANCE AND TIMES



Time	Easy Pace	Moderate Pace	Fast Pace
1 hour	2 ¹ / ₂ mph	3 mph	4 mph

Backpack Trip Rating System

1. NOVICE

5 or less trips - mild weather, relatively flat terrain.

2. INTERMEDIATE

5 or more trips - mild weather, moderate climbs - up to 8 mile trips.

3. ADVANCED

10 or more trips - three season, except winter. Strenuous climbs over difficult terrain - upgraded equipment.

4. EXPERT

Leadership experience or comparable ability - all seasons - good physical condition - completely equipped for all terrain and weather.



TRAIL SAFETY

When you go out on the trail, no matter what your interest, always be prepared for an emergency. Here are some common tips.

- Before you leave on a trip, always check your equipment to make sure everything is in working order.
- Bring sufficient water to maintain energy and prevent dehydration.
- Wear proper fitting clothing and footwear. To prevent Lyme disease, wear long sleeved shirt tucked into your pants and tuck your pant legs into your socks.
- Sunscreen and insect repellent are also advisable.
- Wear a helmet for mountain biking and cycling.
- Canoeists must wear life jackets and have floatation devices.
- Do not wander off marked trails, it's easy to get lost that way.
- Go with a friend. If you get injured and you are by yourself in the woods or in a canoe, you may not see other people to help you and every minute is critical to getting help for survival.

AWARDS

AWARDSFor leadership service to the Outdoor Club of South Jersey . . .
. . .The sincere appreciation of the membership is extended to these leaders . . .
.They give unselfishly of their time to provide all of the activities we enjoy year
in and year outThe success of our program is due to their dedicated vol-
unteer service.

1 January - 31 December 2004

Bicycling

Mark Abrams
Fred Avery
Debi Baker
Joe Barolin
Dolly Bernard
Dave Bier
Bill Borton
Tom Cheney
Bill Cline
Art Cohen
Paul Ecker
Claire Farnum
Bob Harris
Maggie Heinman
Bill Hess
Fran Horn
Alan Horowitz
Kolman Kleinbord
Neil Kornhauser
Pete LaVerghetta
Len Zanetich
Frank Lumly
Ed Mack
Tony Marchionne
John Maxwell
Jim McCabe
Bernie McNelis
Phil Procida
Murray Rosenblatt
Enid Rosenblatt
Alan Sleeper
Bill Travers
Don Villanova
Dave Wender
Justin Wilkinson

Canoeing/Kayaking

Harry Barok
Pat Burton
Cindi Cooke
George Fluck
Leona Fluck
Rolland Garber
Priscilla Hiter
Jack Jarvis
John Kee
John Kruetzer
Dave Lynch
Art Midouhas
Kathleen Pearce
Frank Pearce
Dave Robinson
Paul Serdiuk
Barbara Spector
Becky Strickland

X-C Skiing-Snowshoeing

Judy Ayala
Manny Ayala
Fran Horn
Dan McAuliffe
Kathleen McGuire
Fran McKane
Dennis McKane
Lynn Norton
Charlie Phy
Joyce Wright
Norm Cook

Hiking

Alison Baker
Mike Baker
Hedy Bauer
John Bauer
Pat Burton
Milt Cannan
Chris Denneler
Julie Hegelein
Dave Hegelein
Chieko Hoffman
Jack Hoffman
Joe Hummel
Heinz Knaupp
Norm Lucas
Bill Poulson
Bill Schmitt
Paul Serdiuk
Jean Stelmaszyk
Walt Stelmaszyk
Joe Trujillo
Barbara Wittkop
Ray Wittkop

Backpacking

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Dennis McKane
Ann Palaitis
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BT Trail Maintainers

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Rosemarie Mason
Joseph Vilord

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Tony Marchionne



OCSJ AWARDS DINNER



Friday, April 15, 2005

Dinner 6:30 P.M.

Awards Presentations After Dinner

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PRINCE DINER

Route 130

Burlington, NJ

Parking in rear, banquet entrance on side

Award Recipients & one guest - Complimentary

Non-awardees - \$15.00

Dress Casual

**ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED
ALL THOSE ATTENDING MUST RESPOND
DEADLINE IS APRIL 8**

Please reserve _____ places at the OCSJ Awards Dinner

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

MAIL TO:

John Bauer

35 Holton Lane

Willingboro, NJ 08046

609-877-7018

bauerje@comcast.net

Other Club members welcome

Non-awardees - \$15.00

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO OCSJ

vegetarian meal

HIKING GUIDE

1. Hikers must bring sufficient water or other liquids.
2. Hikers may bring snacks or a meal on any hike. You will not be reminded in the schedule listing to do so.
3. Bring insect repellent to use, if needed. Products containing DEET are more effective than others.
4. Pace is only listed if it is slower than moderate (under 2.5 mph) or faster than moderate (3.5 mph).
5. Hike distances are in miles, and may optionally be followed by hike duration in hours.
6. The following codes are used to show unusual features of a hike:
 BW - Bushwhacking WF - Wet feet possible NS - No stops
 NP - No pets NC - No children FS - Few stops
7. If the meeting place is one of the standard places shown below, no directions will appear in the hike listing:

Atsion - Meet in field on east side of Rt. 206 just north of Wharton State Forest Office.

Batsto - Meet at Batsto village parking, off Rt. 542, between Hammonton and Green Bank.

Bullock - Meet on north side of road in Bullock. Turn east from Rt. 72 at railroad bridge 6.5 miles southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. Continue 3.3 miles to tee intersection. Turn right, then immediately left, and park.

Carranza - Meet at Carranza Memorial parking, 6.7 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road.

Cemetery - Meet at cemetery on Rt. 563, 0.6 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth.

D & R Parking - a mile N of Lambertville on Rt. 29, just before the Rt. 202 Bridge. Turn left and drive to the parking.

Evans - Meet just to the north of Evans Bridge (on east side of Rt. 563), 0.7 miles south of the Rt. 563/Rt. 679 split (about 10 miles south of Chatsworth).

Friendship - Meet at Friendship ruins on Carranza Road, 10 miles SE of Tabernacle.

Harrisville - Meet at Harrisville Pond, on Rt. 679, 1.5 miles south of Rt. 563, between Chatsworth and New Gretna.

Jackson - Meet just north of small bridge on Rt. 534 (Jackson Road), 1.7 miles north-east of Atco Raceway.

Kingston - Meet at Kingston Lock parking, off Rt. 27. Take I-295N / 95S to Exit 8 (Princeton Pike, Rt. 583) to Rt. 27 in Princeton. Follow Rt. 27, 3.3 miles to Kingston Lock parking on right.

Byrne office - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) forest office. Turn east off Rt. 72, 1 mile southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Forest office is on the left.

Pakim Pond - Meet at Pakim Pond parking, Byrne S.F. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Pakim Pond is 2.7 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Byrne campsites - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) campsite. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Campsite parking is 3.5 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Oswego - Meet at Oswego Lake parking, 3.1 miles northeast of Rt. 563 from Jenkins. (Turnoff is 8.4 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth, between Pine Barrens Canoes and Mick's Canoes).

Skit - Meet at the Skit Branch bridge, 5.2 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road.

Wells Mills - Meet at Wells Mills Park, off Rt. 532 (which is 16 miles southeast of the Rt. 70/72 intersection), 3.6 miles northeast of Rt. 72.

Whitesbog - Meet at Whitesbog village parking. Go east on Rt. 70 6.9 miles from Rt. 70/72 intersection. Make a sharp left on Lakehurst Road, go 1.3 miles, turn right for the village.



APRIL



The world has changed it's winter scene
To fertile fields with glint of green;
Blossoms burst to meet the sun---
The glad awakening has begun!

RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINES

Act now. Make your reservations as soon as possible. Spaces usually are limited. Don't miss out by waiting to long.

HISTORIC CAPE MAY WEEKEND. See entry June 24-26.

OCSJ BUS TRIP, WASHINGTON, DC. See entry May 14.

SOCIAL CHERRY BLOSSOM HIKE. Washington, D.C see entry April 2.

VOLUNTEER TRIP TO HARPER'S FERRY, W.V. See entry April 8-9.

CANOEING/ KAYAKING SKILLS REFRESHER. See entries April 17, May 1.

SOCIAL FLATWATER KAYAK TRAINING. See entry May 1.

SOCIAL INTRODUCTION TO CAMPING, MAP READING, AND SURVIVAL TECHNIQUES. See entry April 23.

SOCIAL OUTDOOR MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND. May 27-30.

VOLUNTEER VACATIONS. Various locations in US. See coming events.

**CHECK OCSJ WEBSITE (ocsj.org) OR HOTLINE 856-427-7777,
FOR UP-TO-DATE WEEKDAY OR WEEKEND ACTIVITIES/RIDES LISTINGS.
ALL BICYCLE RIDES ARE ON THE WEB SITE. ADDED OR CANCELED
ACTIVITIES WILL BE ON LINE ALSO. CHECK THEM OUT!**

RECURRING ACTIVITIES

FRIDAYS

9:00 a.m.



CLASS C. MORNING RIDE. 30 Miles. Come out and ride some of the original OCSJ routes (originally developed by Ruth Hukings and Les Williams). This is a social ride. Please call if the weather is questionable. Meet at St. Peter's Church, Hartford Road and Taunton Blvd., Medford. Leader: Fran H., 856-786-0048. franhorn@aol.com

APRIL 1

Friday

7:00 p.m.

FITNESS HIKE. Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. 6-8 miles, fast pace. The ongoing Friday night hike where we explore the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. The first Friday of each month there is an optional dessert/dinner stop after the hike. Meet at the Byrne (Lebanon) campsites. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-577-9004, "mail to: mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

APRIL 1-3

Fri. – Sun.

BACKPACK THE LAST SECTION OF THE AT IN NEW JERSEY. From Wawayanda State Park to Route 17 in New York. Approximately 23 miles. We will leave on Friday afternoon, shuttle cars and hike a short way to a shelter on the AT in Wawayanda State Park. Leader Ken K., 609-268-2154. Intermediate. Limited to 10 trekkers.

APRIL 2

Saturday

8:00 a.m.



SOCIAL CHERRY BLOSSOM HIKE. Washington, D.C. Hike among the beauty and splendor of the Capitol's cherry blossoms. Meet at Hilton Hotel, Rt. 70, Cherry Hill. We will have lunch at the festival and dinner in a restaurant in Baltimore. No blossoms/cold weather cancels hike. Leader: Paul Serdiuk: 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

APRIL 2

Saturday

9:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.**

Paddle from the Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton. Meet at Burlington County Community College parking lot. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Life vests must be worn. Call leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L., Cell 908-692-6807 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

APRIL 2

Saturday

10:00 a.m.

IVES BRANCH LOOP HIKE.

10-11 miles, moderate pace. Loop around Ives branch to beaver branch. Return via B.T. Bring lunch. Meet at Trail Head on Stage Rd. 1¹/₂ miles E. of Rt 679, a spur off Rt. 563. Turn at Bass River S.F. sign just below Timberline Lake Campground. Leaders: Dave and Julie Hegelein, 856-235-8792.

APRIL 3

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER from Firemens Eddy, NJ to Morrisville, PA. (13 miles). We'll have a break at historic Washington Crossing, NJ before continuing to Scudder's Falls to eat lunch and watch the play boater's surf. The Morrisville takeout is before Trenton's Calhoun St. Bridge. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip. Rentals available. Leader: Rob Johnson at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287.

APRIL 3

Sunday

9:00

a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE MULLICA RIVER. We launch at the old Cotton Mill ruins at Atsion, which are on the south side of the Mullica one-quarter mile off Rt. 206. From there we paddle 14 miles to the Pleasant Mills takeout, stopping along the way for lunch. Meet at the Wharton State Forest Atsion Ranger Station on Rt. 206. Life vests must be worn. Must call to confirm trip. Leaders: George & Leona F, 609-259-3734 or leona@pinepaddlers.com

APRIL 3

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

SOCIAL WELLS MILLS PARK HIKE.

6 miles, moderate pace. Hike trails with spectacular views of Atlantic white cedar, pitch pine and oak trees. NC/NP. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social. Meet at Hilton Hotel, Rt. 70, Cherry Hill, rear parking lot to carpool/caravan or meet at 10:00 a.m. in parking lot of park, on Rt. 532, 3 miles east of Rt. 72, Waretown, Ocean Twp., Ocean Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net .

APRIL 3

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BOGS HIKE.**

8-10 miles, fast pace. A wet and fast hike in and around Friendship bogs. Not suitable for aquaphobes, big dogs, small children or new boats. BW, NC, NP, WF, FS. Bring lunch, water and swamp monster repellent. Meet at Friendship. Leader: Phil Iapalucci, 856-983-5298.

APRIL 3

Sunday

10:00 a.m.

HIKE TO QUAKER BRIDGE.

7-9 miles, moderate pace. Hiking a combination of the Mullica River Trail, fire cuts, and the Beaver Pond-Quaker Bridge trail to lunch at the Bridge. Meet at Atsion. Leaders: Joseph Trujillo, 856-468-4849. Christine Denneler, 856-261-5379.

APRIL 4

Monday

10:00 a.m.

BATONA AND RED TRAILS HIKE.

5 miles, moderate pace. Meet at Pakim Pond. Leaders: Bill Schmitt, 856-767-1838. Norm Lucas, 609-654-5893.

APRIL 6
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

TWO LOOP HIKE WITH HOT DOGS. 8 miles, moderate pace. Hike a loop around the Park. Hot dogs will be provided for lunch in Parvin Grove. Afterward hike loop around Parvin Lake. WF. Meet at Parvin State Park parking area opposite park office on Rt 540 (Almond Rd), 6 miles W. of Vineland. Leader: Chuck Cooke, 856-825-9126.

APRIL 7
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER. We paddle from Penny Pot to the historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John K., 609-412-2617 or e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

APRIL 8
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

APRIL 8-9
Fri.-Sun.

VOLUNTEER TRIP TO HARPER'S FERRY, W V. In memory of Richard Greve. Volunteers help to spruce up the Appalachian Trail headquarters before their annual meeting. Rake leaves, wash windows, assemble info. Packets. Time for sightseeing or hiking. Leaders: Anna Marie Seifried, 856-461-1347 and Dee Adams, 609-871-1932.

APRIL 9
Saturday
6:00 a.m.

THE APRIL APEX HIKE. 26 miles (!!), moderate pace (8-9 hours). Marathon trek with a steady brisk pace through Philadelphia and Palmyra that includes Pennypack and Lorimar Parks and the Palmyra Nature Center. Loop hike with no car-pooling. Several drop off points for those wishing to do less miles. Lunch stop at a small reasonable buffet restaurant. NP. Meet at the intersection of Rhawn Street and Holmehurst Ave in NE Phila, 19152. Meeting place is about. 5 minutes From Tacony Palymra bridge. Cross bridge and take second right at the base (State Rd, Rt. 73). (From here it is 1.7 mi. to Rhawn St). Stay to left when you come to fork in road. Continue on State Rd. to Rhawn St (on your left). Turn left onto Rhawn, go about 1.6 miles to Holmehurst Ave. (on your right). Look for sign "Winchester Park". Pre-hike registration is req'd for this hike. Leaders: Barb & Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012, BarbnRay@aol.com


APRIL 9
Saturday
9:00 a.m.



PRE-EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP. At Unexpected Wildlife Refuge. An annual OCSJ activity. This is a sanctuary for beavers at which we do trail clearing, general maintenance work and litter clean-up. Bring work gloves, loppers, pruners, etc. Lunch provided. Call for information, signup, detailed directions. Leaders: Paula Dean, 609-280-4519; E-mail dean.pl@netzero.net Sarah Summerville, 856-697-3541; qdi@snip.net

APRIL 9
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE NESCOCHAGUE RIVER. This is a joint trip with the SJCC. Expect a more challenging trip. Time listed is shuttle start time. Life vests must be worn. Meet at Rt. 206 & entrance to Paradise Lake Campground, 4 miles south of Lake Atsion. SJCC Contacts: Dick Parsells (856) 881-2846, Fred Keeper (856) 881-7910 need co-leader.

- APRIL 9**
Saturday
10:00 a.m.
- THE OTHER SIDE OF JACKSON HIKE.** 9-10 miles, moderate pace. We will hike sand roads, game trails and fire cuts that the Club seldom ventures into. There are some pretty woods on that side. Could be a little wet back there. NC/NP. Meet at Jackson. Leaders: Jack and Chieko Hoffman, 856-784-8104, jackpak2@juno.com
- APRIL 9**
Saturday
4:45 p.m.
- SOCIAL SUNSET HIKE AND STAR GAZE.** 6 miles, moderate pace. Hike between two rivers as we watch the sun set over the pines. We come back to our social and then meet with the Willingboro Astronomical Society to view the night stars. NC/NP. Bring picnic type food to share, blanket or chair to sit on. Meet at the northern parking lot Batsto Village, Rt. 542, 8 miles east of Hammonton, Burl. Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccj.net
- APRIL 10**
Sunday
9:30 a.m.
- SOCIAL WALKING TOUR OF OLD CITY PA.** 4 miles, moderate pace. Come walk historic Old Town Phila. Learn about the Colonial High Life and other little known facts about the City of Brotherly Love. A fee will be charged for the guide. After tour we will have lunch at a local eatery. NC/NP. Space is limited; call to reserve place by April 7. Meet at Woodcrest Station PATCO Hi-Speed Line, exit 31 off Rt. I-295 or meet at 5th Street entrance, Bourse Building at 10:00 a.m. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-463-3593 eve. or pis1@cccj.net
- APRIL 10**
Sunday
10:00 a.m.
- CANOE/KAYAK CEDAR CREEK AND HAVE FUN GEOCACHING TOO.** If you don't have a GPS bring a compass. Or just join us for a fun day on the river. There are several "cache" locations at Double Trouble Park that we'll find together as we paddle from Ore Pond to Dudley Park. Meet at the Double Trouble Park Headquarters. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com
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- APRIL 10**
Sunday
10:00 a.m.
- DELAWARE WATER GAP HIKE.** 9-10 miles. Hike high cliffs of Mt. Tammy and along the A.T. on Dunnfield Creek. Can be a strenuous hike. Wear sturdy footwear. Bring lunch and binoculars. Meet at Visitors Center, off I-80, 1/4 mile before last exit to Pa. toll bridge. Leaders: Dave and Julie Hegelein, 856-235-8792.
- APRIL 10**
Sunday
10:00 a.m. & 10:45
- MID WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE.** 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. Come explore one of the most awesome urban wilderness areas in the country! Sights include the Valley Green Inn, Fingerspan bridge and the Indian Statue (atop heart-attack ridge). Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. Bring or buy lunch. Meet before 10:00 a.m. at big flag-pole Cherry Hill Mall for car-pooling, or by 10:45 a.m. at Henry Ave. and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-234-9474, kranzdnr@earthlink.net
- APRIL 11**
Monday
10:00 a.m.
- HIKE TO HARRISVILLE.** 5 miles, moderate pace. Learn the history and see the ruins at Harrisville. Meet at Evans. Leader: Sam Breyer, 856-547-0377.
- APRIL 13**
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.
- INTO THE WOODS HIKE.** 8 miles, moderate pace. A nice walk on sand roads and trails. Meet at Byrne Campsites. Leaders: John and Hedy Bauer, 609-877-7018, bauerje@comcast.net

APRIL 13
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

YARDLEY CANAL HIKE. 10 miles, moderate pace. Hike from Washington Crossing Historical Park/PA. to past Yardley and back. Meet at Washington Crossing Historical Park parking lot (Penna), off of PA. Rt. 32. Leaders: Heinz Knaupp, 609-801-1168. Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609.

APRIL 14
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER. We paddle from Penny Pot to The historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John K., 609-412-2617 or e-mail: mrjnk347@msn.com

APRIL 14
Thursday
7:30 p.m.



CLUB MEETING. Board of Trustees. Activity committees Leaders. St. Pius X Catholic Church, 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill. From I-295, get off exit 32 N toward Haddonfield: at Rt.154, Brace Road, turn right. At the next traffic light, turn onto Kresson Road. Go 1/2 mile, Church is on right. If you need additional directions, call Walt or Jean Stelmaszyk, 856-429-9089.

APRIL 15
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

APRIL 16
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. Paddle from the Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton. Meet at Burlington County Community College parking lot. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Life vests must be worn. Call leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L. Cell 908-692-6807 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

APRIL 16
Saturday
10:00 a.m.

COOPER RIVER PARK HIKE. 10 miles, moderate pace. Urban hiking along river and park trails between Rt. 130 and Kings Highway. Meet at Cooper River Yacht parking lot on South Park Drive. From Rt. 70 take Cuthbert Road South. Go to 2nd traffic light. Turn right onto South Park Dr. After short way parking lot is on right. Leaders: Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609. Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

APRIL 16
Saturday
3:00 p.m.

APRES' SKI PARTY. The big social event of the year for X-C skiers. Come, meet the leaders, hear about/sign up for next year's trips at Dan D's house, Mt Laurel, NJ. Bring a dish to share. Call Dan for directions 856 235-4548 or Eileen G. 609 267-3598.

APRIL 16-17
Sat.-Sun.

BACKPACK THE AT IN NEW YORK. NY ROUTE 17 TO NY ROUTE 17A. 12 MILES. We may catch a view of the New York City skyline. Be prepared for a cold night. Leader Crysti J. 856-629-0414. Co-leader Joe D. Intermediate. Limited to 10 trekkers.

APRIL 17
Sunday
9:00 a.m.



CANOEING/ KAYAKING SKILLS REFRESHER AT HARRISVILLE LAKE OR LAKE OSWEGO. New and beginning paddlers are welcome. Knowledgeable paddlers from the OCSJ will share information about equipment, safety practices, self-rescue, paddling techniques and efficiencies. If you are a canoeist considering kayaking or vice-versa this is also an

opportunity to practice those skills and try other member's boats. After practicing at the lake we'll paddle the river. For those who don't have a boat you can rent from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental, 3260 Rt. 563, 8 miles S of Chatsworth, 1-800-732-0793. Life vests must be worn. Contact leaders to confirm participation. Leaders: George & Leona F. 609-259-3734 or Leona@pinepaddlers.com

APRIL 17
Sunday
9:30 a.m.



CLASS C. FAMOUS BAGEL RIDE. 30 miles. Great ride in Burlington County with a bagel stop. Meet at Moorestown H.S., Bridgeboro Rd., Moorestown. Leader: Fran H., 856-786-0048, franhorn@aol.com.

APRIL 17
Sunday
10:00 a.m.

SOCIAL MANASQUAN RESERVOIR HIKE AND BACKYARD BBQ. 5 miles, easy pace. Spring hike around reservoir to see Spring flowers and waterfowl. After hike meet at local resident home to have our tailgate social. We will grill hot food, play volleyball, etc. Meet at rear parking lot, Hilton Hotel, Rt. 70 Cherry Hill at 8:30 a.m. to carpool/caravan or meet at 10:00 a.m. at Manasquan Reservoir Visitors Center parking lot Howell. From Rt. 195 take exit 28 (Rt. 9-North). Turn right onto Georgia Tavern Rd. Go 0.3 miles, turn right onto Windeler Rd. Go 1 mile, entrance on left. Bring picnic type food to share. NC/NP. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

APRIL 17
Sunday
10:00 a.m.

STONY BROOK—MILLSTONE WATERSHED NATURE PRESERVE HIKE. 7 miles, moderate pace. In Pennington, NJ. See Wargo Pond, Stony Brook and visit the nature center after the hike. Hiking boots required. May be water on some trails. Bring lunch if you wish for after the hike. NP. Meet at Nature Center parking lot. Take I-95 to exit 4 (Rt. 31). Take Rt. 31-N to fork (known as Pennington Circle). Go left at fork, stay on Rt 31 for about 2.5 mi. (Titus Mill Rd. will be on your right. Look for sign "Watershed Reserve"). Turn right onto Titus Mill Rd and go about 1.4 mi to Watershed entrance on left. Parking lot is at end of driveway across from Nature Center. Leaders: Barb and Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012, BarbnRay@aol.com

APRIL 18
Monday
10:00 a.m.



OLD MEDFORD HIKE. 5 miles, easy pace. We go through the quaint town of Medford with its unspoiled late 1800's early 1900's look. We proceed along a rustic stream into Medford Leas with its beautifully maintained lawns and plantings and then over nearby trails. We will see ironwork from Batsto Furnace, one of the oldest Sycamores in the U.S., and other sights. Meet at Medford Library, 1/2 mile south of Rt. 70 on Rt. 541 (Main Street). Leaders: Manny Robbins, 856-428-4841. Evelyn Goldner, 609-654-9210.

APRIL 18
Monday
10:00 a.m.

PARVIN STATE PARK HIKE. 5 miles, moderate pace. A loop hike around Parvin Lake. WF. Meet in parking area opposite park office on Rt. 540 (Almond Rd), 6 miles W. of Vineland. Leader: Chuck Cooke, 856-825-9126.

APRIL 20
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.



WOODLAND WILDFLOWER HIKE. 8 miles, easy pace. Hike the picturesque hilly woodland dotted with wild flowers and along the Neshaminy Creek. Lunch at the Covered Bridge. Meet at Tyler State Park (Penna) park office at jct of PA. Rt. 413 (four lane bypass) and Swamp Road. Parking at Swamp

Road Leaders: Heinz Knaupp, 609-801-1168. Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609.

APRIL 20-21

Wed.-Thurs.
10:00 a.m.

MIDWEEK CAMPOUT AT BODINE FIELD. Meet at Harrisville Lake. Option to kayak the Wading or Oswego rivers. Call leader for camping details. Priscilla Hiter 609-953-8064



APRIL 21

Thursday
9:30 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE SOUTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.

Burlington County is a leader in open space preservation and protection and the Rancocas Creek watershed is the largest in south central NJ. This is a beautiful tidal area; great for sea kayaks too. Bring your binoculars to look for Great blue herons, eagles, hawks, etc. Thanks to Judy N. for sharing one of her favorite places with us! We'll meet at Flo's Tavern in Hainesport, paddle with the tide, stop at a newly preserved park along the creek and continue through Lumberton before returning with the tide to Flo's. Life vests must be worn. For rentals contact RJ Toad or 609-234-5287. Contact leaders to confirm trip. Leaders: Leona & George F. 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

APRIL 22

Friday
9:30 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK EARTH DAY CLEANUP ON THE DELAWARE & RARITAN CANAL.

The D&R Canal and its structures are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The NJ Water Supply Authority operates and maintains the water transmission complex of the canal as a water supply resource, pumping out about 75 million gallons of water a day. Join us as we do our part and "cleanup" the canal section from Lawrenceville to Princeton. We'll learn about the D&R Canal and the Port Mercer Canal House from a Park Historian. Life vests must be worn. Contact leaders to confirm. Leaders: George & Leona F. 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com



APRIL 22

Friday
7:00 p.m.

FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com



APRIL 23

Saturday
9:00 a.m.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP OF THE MULLICA.

Club adopt a river program. Come out, do your part. Check hotline 856-427-7777. or call Frank P., 856-767-2780 before 8 p.m. or hornet71@verizon.net

APRIL 23

Saturday
9:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE EGG HARBOR RIVER, WEYMOUTH FORGE TO LAKE LENAPE.

This is a joint trip with the SJCC. Time listed is shuttle start time. Life vests must be worn. Meet at Weymouth Forge just off Rt. 322. SJCC Contacts and OCSJ Leaders: Howard Molisee (856) 691-8609 John Grassie (856) 778-0889

APRIL 23

Saturday
9:00 a.m.

TUCKAHOE RIVER HISTORY PADDLE AND TOUR.

We'll paddle from Head of the River to Mosquito Landing. We will also tour Head of the River Historic Church and the old Aetna Furnace ruins. Meeting at the Head of the River Church on Rt. 49 in Estell Manor, NJ. Canoes or recreational kayak will be best. Large kayaks (over 14 ft.) may have trouble at the headwaters. Co-leaders: Nancy T., 609-628-3116 (before 9:00

p.m. e-mail nancythomson@comcast.net and Priscilla S.

APRIL 23

Saturday
9:00 a.m.

WASHINGTON CROSSING--MORRISVILLE HIKE. 16 miles, fast pace (3.5-3.8 mph). A loop hike along canal/river. Meet at Washington Crossing NJ at River Drive parking, off Rt. 29. Turn left at light, then quick right into parking area. Leaders: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817, Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609.

APRIL 23

Saturday
9:30 a.m.



SOCIAL BIKE RIDE. Class D ride 20+ miles with frequent stops. Ride flat roads through pine barrens with rest/lunch stop in Chatsworth. Meet in parking area near Group campsite Byrne State Forest. Enter forest off Rt. 72, 1 mile E. of jct of Rts. 70&72. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

APRIL 23

Saturday
10:00 a.m.

PENNYPACK AND LORIMAR PARKS HIKE. 7 miles, moderate pace. Option to join us for lunch afterwards at the Austrian Village. Meet at Pennypack Park parking lot off Pine Rd (about 20 mins. from Tacony-Palmyra bridge). Cross bridge and take second right at the base (State Rd, Rt. 73). (From here it is 1.7 miles to Rhawn St.). Stay to left when you come to fork in road. Continue on State Road to Rhawn Street (on your left). Turn left onto Rhawn, go about 4 miles to where street dead-ends into Huntington Pike. Turn right onto Pine Rd (first street on right) and go about 1 mile to entrance of parking lot on right (entrance is just before you would cross Pennypack Creek). Leaders: Barb & Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012, BarbnRay@aol.com.

APRIL 23

Saturday
1:00 p.m.

SOCIAL INTRODUCTION TO CAMPING, MAP READING, AND SURVIVAL TECHNIQUES. Learn how to set up a tent, start a fire, and read a map. Several Outfitters have been invited to bring sample tents and equipment to try out. Seminars on other topics are planned. A great way to learn the how-to's of camping and some practical outdoor skills. Contact Leader to reserve a spot. Meet at open field next to shower house at Brendan Byrne State Park. Entrance at the jct. of Rts. 70&72. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

APRIL 23

Saturday
7:30 p.m.



SOCIAL HIKE, CAMPOUT AND CAMPFIRE. 6-7 miles, moderate pace. Hike over roads and trails with a campfire at end. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. Overnight camping is available Fri. & Sat., call to reserve space. NC/NP. Meet at parking area opposite Group campsite area, Byrne State Forest. Enter forest off Rt. 72, 1 mile E. of jct. Rts 70&72. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

APRIL 23-24

Sat.-Sun.

BACKPACK THE AT IN PENNSYLVANIA. Caledonia to Pen Mar. 19 miles. Leader: Dennis M., 856-547-1617. Intermediate. Limited to 10 trekkers. NP.

APRIL 23-24

Sat.-Sun.

BACKPACK THE DELAWARE WATER GAP. 15 MILES. Meet at visitor's center on I-80 at 930am. Leader John Bauer. 609-877-7018. Intermediate.

APRIL 24

MAURICE RIVER TRIP – We paddle from Garden Road to

Sunday
9:00 a.m.



Sherman Road. Nice medium length trip with several possible paddling obstructions. Catch the possible spring colors, as the weather turns warmer. Meet at the WAWA (with gas pumps) at Rt. 47 and Rt. 40 in Malaga for a last minute pit stop. We leave the parking lot at 9 AM sharp. Or meet at the put in on Garden Road and the river at 9:15 a.m. John Kee, 856-691-3047 Taxman56@aol.com Please put OCSJ in all email headers.

APRIL 24
Sunday
9:45 a.m.

SOCIAL PASADENA TILE WORKS HIKE. 7-8 miles, moderate pace. Hike along sand roads as we visit the old tile work ruins. Possible history lesson to be given by local authority. NC/NP. Meet at parking area opposite Group campsite area, Byrne State Forest. Enter forest off Rt. 72, 1 mile E. of jct. Rts. 70 & 72. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

APRIL 24
Sunday
10:00 a.m.

50TH ANIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF WHARTON STATE PARK. Visit the OCSJ booth and participate in the various activities lead by OCSJ members. A limited number of canoes will be available. Check hotline 856-427-7777 or call Frank, 856-767-2780 before 8 p.m. or hornet71@verizon.net

APRIL 24
Sunday
10:00 a.m.



BATSTO LAKE HIKE. 5-6 miles, moderate pace. An introductory hike to get acquainted with two of the many trails in Wharton State Forest. We go up the BATONA Trail and return via the Batsto Lake Trail. Bring lunch and beverage to eat after the hike. Meet at Batsto Village parking, off Rt. 542, between Hammonton and Green Bank. Leaders: Joseph Trujillo, 856-468-4849. Christine Denneler, 856-461-5379.

APRIL 25
Monday
10:00 a.m.

COOPER RIVER HIKE. 5 miles, moderate pace. We'll hike around the lake at Cooper River Park. Meet at Cooper River Stadium on North Park Drive between Route 130 and Cuthbert Road in Pennsauken. Leaders: Norm Lucas, 609-654-5893. Bill Schmitt, 856-767-1838.

APRIL 27
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

PENN STATE FOREST HIKE. 9 miles, moderate pace. View lake, sandy roads, dwarf pines, a hill with a view and, if lucky, a landing gear from a crashed aircraft! Meet at Oswego Lake. Leaders: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817, Stu Young, 856-778-4864.

APRIL 28
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER. We paddle from Penny Pot to The historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617 or email mrjnk347@msn.com

APRIL 29
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description Leaders: Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mail to:mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

APRIL 29-MAY 1

BACKPACK THE 50 MILE BATONA TRAIL. We will hike it in

Fri.-Sun.

three days, going approx. 17 miles a day. A challenge, but level terrain and easy footing helps. Day hikers are welcome if you arrange your own shuttle. Leader Ann P., 856-810-2487. Palaitis@comcast.net



APRIL 30

Saturday
9:30 a.m.

DELAWARE WATER GAP HIKE. 12 miles, moderate pace. A day hike of the DWG. Rocky with some moderate climbs. Meet at Visitors Center, off I-80, 1/4 mile before last exit to PA. toll bridge. Leaders: John and Hedy Bauer, 609-877-7018, bauer@comcast.net

APRIL 30

Saturday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE OCTORARO. Expect the unexpected on this new trip. Very limited parking will limit participation. Class 1+ rapids. Water levels determine. Call for details and to confirm. No rentals. Leader: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 before 8:00 p.m. hornet71@verizon.net Joint trip with WTC.

APRIL 30-MAY 1

Sat.-Sun.
10:00 a.m.



OVERNIGHT CANOE CAMPING TRIP. EITHER BATSTO OR MULLICA. Call leader for details. Backpackers welcome. Co-leaders: Art Midouhas, 215-788-7451, after 8:30 p.m. and Priscilla Hiter, 609-953-8064.



A WISH

A wish for walks
through peaceful woods
on paths that wind
by sparkling streams . . .
A wish for sunlight
through the trees
and quiet moments
just for dreams . . .



MAY



What would we call a blue-gold hour
 When limbs drip silver from a shower?
 What would we name a tender day
 In drizzly April, flowery May?
 What else could it be but spring?

RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINES

Act Now! Make your reservations as soon as possible. Spaces usually are limited. Don't miss out by waiting too long.

BACKPACKING CLINIC. INTRODUCTION TO BACKPACKING. See entry May 7.

CAMPING WEEKEND AT FRENCH CREEK, PA. See entry May 6-8.

OCSJ BUS TRIP, WASHINGTON, DC. See entry Saturday, May 14.

THE 6th ANNUAL "ALL GIRL BACKPACK". See entry May 14-15.

SOCIAL HIKE & BIKE WEEKEND LEHIGH GORGE SP, PA. See May 14-15.

CAMPING WEEKEND AT BULLS ISLAND ST. PARK. See May 21-22.

TUCKERTON CREEK KAYAK TRIP. See May 21.

PADDLE SKILLS NIGHTS AT LAKE LENAPE. See May 25 & Weds. In June.

SOCIAL OUTDOOR MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND. See May 27-30.

CANOE/KAYAK CAMPING ON THE BATSTO. See May 28-29.

VOLUNTEER VACATIONS. Various locations in US. See coming events.

**CHECK OCSJ WEBSITE (ocsj.org) OR HOTLINE 856-427-7777,
 FOR UP-TO-DATE WEEKDAY OR WEEKEND ACTIVITIES/RIDES LISTINGS.
 ALL BICYCLE RIDES ARE ON THE WEB SITE. ADDED OR CANCELED
 ACTIVITIES WILL BE ON LINE ALSO. CHECK THEM OUT!**

RECURRING ACTIVITIES

FRIDAYS

9:00 a.m.



CLASS C. MORNING RIDE. 30 Miles. Come out and ride some of the original OCSJ routes (originally developed by Ruth Hukings and Les Williams). This is a social ride. Please call if the weather is questionable. Meet at St. Peter's Church, Hartford Road and Taunton Boulevard, Medford. Leader: Fran H., 856-786-0048. franhorn@aol.com

MAY 1

Sunday
 8:30 a.m.

SOCIAL FLATWATER KAYAK TRAINING. Learn how to handle a flat-water kayak or improve your skills, great for beginners. Call leader to reserve space. After lake training we will do the Wading River. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after trip. NC/NP. Meet at Bel-Haven Canoes on Rt. 542, Atlantic Co., 12 miles E. of Hammonton. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eves. pis1@cccnj.net

MAY 1

Sunday
 9:00 a.m.



CANOEING/ KAYAKING SKILLS REFRESHER AT HARRISVILLE LAKE OR LAKE OSWEGO. Happy May Day! Knowledgeable paddlers from the OCSJ will share information about equipment, safety practices, self-rescue, paddling techniques and efficiencies. New and beginning paddlers are welcome. If you are a canoeist considering kayaking or vice-versa this is also an opportunity to practice those skills and try other member's boats. After practicing at the lake we'll paddle the river. For those who don't have a boat you can rent from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental 609-726-1515. Life vests must be worn. Contact leaders to confirm participation. Leaders: George & Leona F. 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 1
Sunday
10:00 a.m. &
10:45 a.m.

SOUTH WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE. 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. Come explore one of the most awesome urban wilderness areas in the country! Other sights include historic Rittenhousetown, and the Hermits and Gorgas Lane Caves. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. **NO RESTROOMS!** Lunch at Lover's Leap (No jumping please!). Bring lunch, beverage. Meet before 10:00 a.m. at big flagpole Cherry Hill Mall for car-pooling, or by 10:45 a.m. at Henry Ave. and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-234-9474, kranzdnr@earthlink.net

MAY 2
Monday
10:00 a.m.



DINOSAUR AND LUNCH HIKE. 5 miles, easy pace. The first dinosaur fossil ever found was discovered in Haddonfield, NJ. What! You didn't know that? We will hike to the find-site, discuss the discovery and the great "dinosaur wars" which followed. Open woodland trails and town streets. Buy lunch in Haddonfield (no picnic site available). Kresson Road in Cherry Hill to Brace Rd.; North on Brace $\frac{1}{3}$ mile to Bortons Mill Road, left down to parking. OR Rt. 70 in Cherry Hill 1 mile west of Rt. 295 to Rt. 154 South. Take Rt. 154 to Bortons Mill Rd. Go right on Bortons $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to parking. Leaders: Manny Robbins, 856-428-4841. Peppy Bath, 609-877-7018.

MAY 4
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.



HAMILTON-TRENTON MARSH HIKE. 7 miles, easy pace. Hike the desolate marsh and beech forest trails along the Delaware River. WF. Bring lunch. Drive North on Rt. 206 to the built up area of Hamilton-Trenton. The road becomes S. Broad St. and has a center island (it maintains the 206 marking also). At the Sewell Ave. traffic light, turn left (this is about the 1826 street number and is the next light after the Rennie-Chambers St. corner). Continue to the end of Sewell Avenue, turn left and go downhill on a gravel road to parking lot. Leaders: Peppy Bath, 609-587-4849, pep157@aol.com Manny Robbins, 856-428-4841.

MAY 5
Thursday
9:30 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE WADING RIVER ON CINCO DE MAYO!! We'll paddle from Hawkins Bridge to Beaver Branch. This is a great trip for new paddlers. We'll stop for lunch and salsa and chips at Godfrey Bridge Campground. Life vests must be worn. Sombreros optional. Rentals available from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental, Rt. 563, 8 miles S of Chatsworth, 1-800-732-0793. Contact leaders to confirm trip. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 6
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004 mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

MAY 6-8
Fri.-Sun.



CAMPING WEEKEND AT FRENCH CREEK, PA. A group site has been reserved for the club. Arrive Friday evening or Sat a.m. Primitive camping in a group site, shower facilities available in the park. Saturday will feature a short hike to point out major features in the park, along with a brief introduction to orienteering. Sunday will give participants the option to do an orienteering course with the Delaware Valley Orienteering club anytime between 10a.m. and 1 p.m. Cost

is minimal. Call Pat Burton for sign up and directions 856-767-8064 or e-mail me camperpat@hotmail.com

MAY 7
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

BACKPACKING CLINIC. INTRODUCTION TO BACKPACKING. Topics will include equipment, packing skills, safety and trip planning. All are welcome... the true novice, the person who wants to brush up on skills and the curious. For more information contact Linda S., 856-854-8749. llindads2@aol.com

MAY 7
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BATSTO RIVER (IF HIGH WATER THE SKIT BRANCH). Expect a more challenging trip. Time listed is shuttle start time. Life vests must be worn. Meet at Atsion ranger station on Rt. 206. SJCC Contact & OCSJ leaders: Howard Molisee (856) 691-8609 John Grassie (856) 778-0889.

MAY 7
Saturday
9:00 a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. Paddle from the Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton. Meet at Burlington County Community College parking lot. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Life vests must be worn. Call leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L. Cell 908-692-6807 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

MAY 7
Saturday
10:00 a.m.

ALMOST TO QUAKER BRIDGE HIKE. 10-11 miles (5 hrs), moderate pace. From Batsto via the Nature Trail, to a high spot just south of Quaker Bridge. Return via the B.T. Meet at Batsto. Leaders: Dave and Julie Hegelein, 866-235-8792.

MAY 8
Sunday
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PADDLE THE BRANDYWINE RIVER. Lenape, PA. To Brandywine St. Park. A rare opportunity to paddle this beautiful, historic area. Water level determines. Check hotline or E-mail updates. No rentals. Leaders: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 before 8:00p.m. hornet71@verizon.net and Eric Spiecker, ejs815@juno.com

MAY 8
Sunday
9:00 a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER from Firemen's Eddy, NJ to Morrisville, PA. (13 miles). Beginners are welcome. We'll have a break at historic Washington Crossing, NJ before continuing to Scudder's Falls where we will have lunch and watch the play boater's surf. The Morrisville takeout is before Trenton's Calhoun St. Bridge. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip. Rentals available. Leader: Rob Johnson at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287.

MAY 9
Monday
10:00 a.m.

DEEP HOLLOW POND HIKE. 5 miles. Moderate pace. Meet at Byrne State Park Ranger Station. Leaders: Bill Schmitt, 856-767-1838. Norm Lucas, 609-654-5893.

MAY 10
Tuesday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK CEDAR CREEK TO BERKELEY PARK. Enjoy a springtime paddle from Dover Forge to Dudley Park (9 miles). Option to paddle another 2 miles to the bay and takeout at Berkeley Park, weather permitting. Life vests must be worn. Must call to confirm trip. Meet at Double Trouble Park Headquarters. Leaders: George and Leona F, 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 11
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

CRANBERRY BOGS HIKE. 8-9 miles, moderate pace. Tour the bogs in Lebanon S.F. Meet at Byrne Office (Ranger Station). Leaders: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817, Sal Tucci, 856-824-0896.

MAY 12
Thursday
7:30 p.m.



CLUB MEETING. Board of Trustees. Activity committees Leaders. St .Pius X Catholic Church, 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill. From I-295, get off exit 32 N toward Haddonfield: at Rt.154, Brace Road, turn right. At the next traffic light, turn onto Kresson Road. Go 1/2 mile, Church is on right. If you need additional directions, call Walt or Jean Stelmaszyk, 856-429-9089

MAY 12
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER. We paddle from Penny Pot to The historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John K, 609-412-2617 or e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

MAY 13
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

MAY 14
Saturday
7:00 a.m.



BUS TRIP WASHINGTON DC AND SELF-GUIDED TOUR. Spring is a great time of the year to visit. Cost \$20 per person. Send check payable to OCSJ to David Crozier, 35 Albany Road, Marlton, NJ 08053, by April 21. All sales final. Include your telephone number and e-mail address, self-addressed stamped envelope. Meet at Cherry Hill Mall by big flagpole, Haddonfield Road side. Bus loads at 7 a.m. *Departs 7:30 sharp!* Bus arrives 10:30-11:00 a.m. *Departs Washington 5:30 p.m. sharp!* Return arrival time from DC approximately 8:30 p.m. Leaders: David and Doris Crozier, 856-424-6334.

MAY 14
Saturday
8:30 a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE RANCOCAS CREEK. Enjoy a “ride with the tide” starting at the Rancocas State Park on the N. Branch Rancocas. Soon after putting in we will reach the confluence of the North and South Branches where the Rancocas becomes the wide river we see from Rt. 295. We’ll stop at Mill Creek Park in Willingboro, learn about the riverbank restoration from a Park Naturalist and tour the multi-use park. Then we’ll continue down the Rancocas to Amico Island, a new park in Delran where the Rancocas Creek meets the Delaware River. Life vests must be worn. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Contact leaders for meeting logistics. Leaders: George & Leona F. 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 14-15
Sat.-Sun.

THE 6th ANNUAL “ALL GIRL BACKPACK”. Looking for a new place to go this year. This is a fun and relaxing trip for novices, once a year backpackers, and seasoned trekkers. Approximately 10 miles. Leader Crysti J., 856-629-0414.

MAY 15
Sunday
8:00 a.m.



COOPER RIVER PARK HIKE. 6 miles, moderate pace. A “get it over early” hike with optional brunch afterwards at a reasonably priced restaurant. Meet at National Guard Armory parking lot at Park Ave. and Grove St. in Cherry Hill (one block South of the intersection of Rt. 70 and Haddonfield Rd/Grove St.). Leaders: Barb and Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012. BarbnRay@aol.com

MAY 15
Sunday
10:00 & 11:00 a.m.

NORTH WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE. 4 or 7 miles, moderate pace. Come explore one of the most awesome urban wilderness areas in the country! Sights include The Treehouse, Indian Statue and the covered bridge. Rugged terrain. Wear sturdy shoes. Wimp out at 4 miles. Bring or buy lunch. Meet before 10:00 a.m. at big flagpole Cherry Hill Mall for car-pooling, or by 11:00 a.m. at Andorra Nature Center, Ridge and Northwestern Avenues, Roxborough. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-234-9474, kranzdnr@earthlink.net

MAY 15
Sunday
10:00 a.m.

FORGOTTEN TOWNS HISTORY HIKE II. 6 miles, moderate pace. We re-visit the site of the vanished towns of Martha and Harrisville for a historical tour. South Jersey author Barbara Solem-Stull will narrate. Bring lunch, beverage. Meet at Evans Bridge, Rt. 563, between Chatsworth and Green Bank. Leaders: Joseph Trujillo, 609-468-4849. Barbara Solem-Stull.

MAY 18
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

HOT DOG HIKE – 13TH ANNUAL. 5 miles, moderate pace. After the hike, enjoy a mouth-watering, culinary delight of American fare prepared by our expert chefs—grilled hot dogs al fresco! Splashed with tasty mustard for a scrumptious treat. Bring your own beverage. We share all the costs. Meet at Pakim Pond, Brendan Byrne S.F. Entrance is off Rt.72, a mile E of jct. Rts. 70/72. Follow signs.. Leader: Sam Breyer, 856-547-0377, and chefs.

MAY 20
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mail to:mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

MAY 20-22
Fri.-Sun.

BIRD WATCH AND BACKPACK IN TUSCARORA STATE FOREST, PA. We'll look for woodpeckers, hawks, warblers, and at night look for owls. Friday night car camping at Fowler Hollow State Park. Sat night creek side camping and then back to the cars by 1:00 pm on Sunday. Leader Andy H., 856-429-7250. Andyhyde2001@yahoo.com

MAY 21
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

BATONA TRAIL HIKE. 8.5 miles, moderate pace. Hike the bottom part of the B.T., from Coal Road to Evans Bridge. Meet at Evans Bridge. *BE ON TIME FOR CAR SHUTTLE.* Leader: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817.

MAY 21
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

SOCIAL MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE. Class D ride with frequent stops. Great for beginners. Ride on sand and gravel roads. Meet at parking lot at Lake Absegami, Bass River State Forest. Take Stage Rd. off Rt. 579, follow signs to Bass River SF entrance. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

MAY 21
Saturday
9:00 a.m.



PADDLE THE MAURICE RIVER – WILLOW GROVE TO ALMOND RD. This is a joint trip with the SJCC. Time listed is shuttle start time. Life vests must be worn. Meet at Garden Road & river, Brotmanville Exit #35 off Rt. 55 South (Opt. takeout: Sherman Ave). SJCC Contacts: Hartley Tucker (856) 692-5403, Carl Lampe (856) 794-2768. OCSJ: Leader: Cindi C., 856-825-9126. LuvKayak2@aol.com

MAY 21
Saturday
9:30 a.m.

TUCKERTON CREEK KAYAK TRIP – 10:00 a.m. to approximately 2:00 p.m. Drop-in at First Bridge Marina & Kayaks, 500 Great Bay Blvd, Tuckerton, Lunch at Stewart's Root Beer and return. Novice/Intermediate. This is a joint trip with Great Bay Paddlers. Rentals available, Call Rusty @ First Bridge Marina – 609-296-1888. This trip consists of sheltered creek and open bay paddling, weather permitting. PFD's Required. Stewart's is on Rt. 9 next to Tuckerton Seaport. Call or e-mail leader to confirm. Leader: Roger Marcotte, 609-812-0201 or Rogercotte@aol.com

MAY 21
Saturday
10:00 a.m.

HIKE TO THE SHAD FESTIVAL. 8 miles. NP Easy pace. On the D & R Canal to Lambertville. Bring or buy lunch. Meet at D & R parking, on Rt 29. Turn left at the railroad crossing, just before the Route 202 bridge.. Leaders: Walt and Jean Stelmaszyk, 856-429-9089.

MAY 21
Saturday
10:00 a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. Paddle from the Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton. Meet at Burlington County Community College parking lot. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Life vests must be worn. Call leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L. Cell 908-692-6807 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

MAY 21
Saturday
7:30 p.m.

SOCIAL MOONLIGHT HIKE, CAMPFIRE AND CAMPOUT. 6 miles, moderate pace. Enjoy Spring hiking and camping as we hike sand roads lit by moonlight. Camping available both Friday and Saturday nights. Call leader to reserve space. NC/NP. Please bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. Meet at Group Campsite C, Bass River SF off Stage Road, 6 miles W. of Tuckerton or 3 miles N. of New Gretna, Burl. Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

MAY 21
Saturday
7:30 p.m.



MAY FULL MOON HIKE. 8 miles (3 hrs), moderate pace. A Spring evening in the pines. Whippoorwills may be serenading. Meet at Atsion. Leaders: Dave and Julie Hegelein, 856-235-8792.

MAY 21-22
Sat.-Sun.

CAMPING WEEKEND AT BULLS ISLAND ST. PARK. All welcome. Campers, hikers, bikers and kayakers. All kayakers should meet at the Bulls island parking area at 10 am for car shuttle to Kingswood Access. Call Priscilla Hiter for camping details at 609 953 8064.

MAY 21-22
Sat.-Sun.

BACKPACK THE AT THROUGH BEAUTIFUL HARRIMAN STATE PARK IN NEW YORK. From Route 17 to Bear Mountain Inn. Approx. 18 miles. We will leave on Saturday morning. Leader Ken K. 609-268-2154. Intermediate. Limited to ten trekkers.

MAY 22
Sunday
9:00 a.m.

TUCKAHOE RIVER TRIP - Head of the River to Rt. 9. Watch as the river turns from forest into tidal marshlands. Over 15 miles, be prepared for little opportunity for firm land, plenty of sunscreen and drinking water, boat wakes and choppy bay. Proper kayaks and Life Jackets required. Tuckahoe takeout for recreational boats. Possible dinner afterwards at the Tuckahoe Inn. Meeting at Head of River Church on Rt 47. John Kee 856-691-3047 email taxman56@aol.com

MAY 22
Sunday
9:30 a.m.

CANOE THE SOUTHWEST BRANCH OF THE RANCOCAS. Meet at Kirby's Mill (Haines Mill) 275 Church Road, Medford, NJ. No shuttle trip. Canoe upstream to Medford Park for lunch and return. Easy flat water, some clearing a possibility. No rentals. Must call leader, between 6 and 10 p.m. M-F or Sat .10 a.m.- 10 p.m., to confirm. Leader: Harry Barok, 856-985-6172

MAY 22
Sunday
10:00 a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL. We'll paddle the feeder canal section from its beginning at Bull's Island to Firemen's Eddy in Lambertville. Our lunch stop will be at Prallsville Mills in Stockton where we can enjoy a tour and learn about this 19th century mill complex from a D&R Canal State Park Historian. Life vests must be worn. Contact leaders to confirm. Leaders: George and Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 22
Sunday
10:00 a.m.

SOCIAL HIKE AND FIRE TOWER TOUR. 7 miles, moderate pace. Tour Cedar Bridge Fire Tower with it's spectacular views of the Pine Barrens, ocean, and bay. We will hike a new trail in Greenwood WMA, Ocean Co. Meet at Fire Tower on Rt. 539, 4 miles N. from Rt. 72 or 8 miles S. from Rt. 70. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. NC/NP. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

MAY 23
Monday
10:00 a.m.



RAILS TO TRAILS PEMBERTON HIKE. 5 miles, moderate pace. Meet at historic R.R. station. Visit the museum then hit the tracks to Birmingham. Head east on Rt 38/530 then left (N) up Rt. 616, 1/2 mile to station. Leaders: Norm Lucas, 609-654-5893. Bill Schmitt, 856-767-1838.

MAY 25
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

GRIGGSTOWN CANAL HIKE. 10 miles, moderate pace. Hike from Kingston Lock to Rocky Hill – Little Valley to Griggstown Causeway and back. Lunch at Griggstown picnic area. Meet at Kingston Lock. Leaders: Heinz Knaupp, 609-801-1168. Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609.

MAY 25
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

BULL'S ISLAND HIKE. 8 miles, moderate pace. Hike the canal from Bull's Island. Bring lunch. Meet at Bull's Island parking lot, approx 12 miles north of Washington Crossing, 6 miles north of Rt. 202 bridge, on Rt. 29(NJ). Leaders: Walt and Jean Stelmaszyk, 856-429-9089.

MAY 25
Wednesday
5:30 p.m.

PADDLE SKILLS NIGHTS AT LAKE LENAPE. Novice to advanced. Come out to the lake and work on your paddling skills in an informal setting with fellow paddlers. Practice or learn paddle strokes, rolling skills, self-rescue, and safety techniques or just paddle around the lake. Interested beginners or first timers welcome. We have some gear for

use. Contact John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617
E-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

MAY 26
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER. We paddle from Penny Pot to The historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617 or e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

MAY 27
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mail to :mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

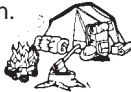
MAY 27-30
Friday-Monday

SOCIAL OUTDOOR MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND. Hike 7 spectacular waterfalls, mountain bike campout in the deep woods at Ricketts Glen SP, Pa. Camping will be available Fri, Sat, & Sun nights. Call leader by April 30 to reserve space. Call leader for carpool caravan information, or meet at Ricketts Glen SF office, Rt 487, exit 35 off I-80 PA turnpike at 10:00 a.m. NC/NP. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

MAY 28
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE OR KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER. The Delaware River is the longest un-dammed river on the east coast. So, start the Memorial Day Weekend with a river trip from Kingwood Access, Frenchtown to Lambertville Marina (15 miles), with an option to take out at Bull's Island (8 miles). Weather permitting, we'll stop to swim and surf along the way. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip and logistics. Leaders: George & Leona F 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 28-29
Sat.-Sun.



CANOE/KAYAK CAMPING ON THE BATSTO. Paddle from Hampton furnace to Batsto. Camping spaces at the Wilderness Campsite are limited. Call early to reserve your spot. Small fee for campsite. Call for details. Backpackers are Welcome. Leader: Art M., 215-788-7451, after 8:30 p.m.

MAY 29
Sunday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER from Firemen's Eddy, Lambertville to the Mercer County Marina. This is an interesting 15-mile section of the river. We'll have lunch at Scudder's Falls where we can surf and watch the play boaters too. The next stop is Stacey Park to see the "shaky bridge" which is a replica of the first suspension bridge built by Roebling, then continue past the Capital City thru the Trenton Falls which mark the "fall line" and beginning of tidewater. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip and meeting logistics. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

MAY 30
Monday
7:30 a.m.

CLASS C+. ONE WAY TO SOMMERVILLE. 65 MILES. Ride to Somerville, NJ to watch the bike races. You must arrange for your own return transportation. Meet at Moorestown High School, Bridgeboro Road, Moorestown. Leader: Fran H., 856-786 0048, franhorn@aol.com



JUNE



*Let the day unwind from your weary mind
Let the summer breeze lazily play.
Let your boat carry you back in the bay
Where sunshine sparkles on ripples at play.*

RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINES

Act Now! Make your reservations as soon as possible. Spaces usually are limited. Don't miss out by waiting too long.

CAMPING WEEKEND AT BASS RIVER ST PARK. See entry June 3-5.

BACKPACKING / WILDERNESS COOKING. See entry June 11.

OCSJ BICYCLING COURSE. June 11 & 18. See page 6.

GUIDED KAYAK ECO-TOUR. See June 18.

FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND AT BASS RIVER. See June 25-26.

CAMPING, CANOEING, HIKING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE. See coming events.

VOLUNTEER VACATIONS. Various locations in US. See coming events.

**CHECK OCSJ WEBSITE (ocsj.org) OR HOTLINE (856-427-7777),
FOR UP-TO-DATE WEEKDAY OR WEEKEND ACTIVITIES/RIDES LISTINGS.
ALL BICYCLE RIDES ARE ON THE WEB SITE. ADDED OR CANCELED
ACTIVITIES WILL BE ON LINE ALSO. CHECK THEM OUT!**

RECURRING RIDE

FRIDAYS

9:00 a.m.

CLASS C



MORNING RIDE. 30 Miles. Come out and ride some of the original OCSJ routes (originally developed by Ruth Hukings and Les Williams). This is a social ride. Please call if the weather is questionable. Meet at St. Peter's Church, Hartford Road and Taunton Blvd., Medford. Leader: Fran H., 856-786-0048. franhorn@aol.com

JUNE 1

Wednesday

10:00 a.m.

PENNYPACK-- LORIMER PARK HIKE. 10 miles, moderate pace. Meet at Bustleton Avenue & Benton Street park entrance. Cross Tacony-Palmyra bridge into Phila; take Levick St. to Roosevelt Blvd. (Rt. 1). Turn right onto Rt. 1-N center lanes; go abt. 2.5 miles (past Rhawn St) to Strahle Street and turn left. Take Strahle to Bustleton and turn right. Go 1/2 mile to Benton Street, turn left and park. Leader: Jerry Goldstein, 609-859-8133, jerryhyker@yahoo.com

JUNE 1

Wednesday

10:00 a.m.

GARDINER'S BASIN IN A.C. HIKE. 7 miles, easy pace on boardwalk or beach. NP. Bring or buy lunch. Meet at Gardiner's Basin. Take Atlantic City Expressway; turn left onto Atlantic Avenue then left onto New Hampshire. Leaders: Walt and Jean Stelmaszyk, 856-429-9089.

JUNE 1

Wednesday

5:30 p.m.

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JUNE 2
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

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JUNE 3
Friday
7:00 p.m.



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OCSJ CELEBRATES NATIONAL TRAILS DAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH BASS RIVER STATE FOREST 100TH ANNIVERSARY. JUST ONE OF MANY ACTIVITIES OF THE YEAR LONG CELEBRATION.

JUNE 3-5
Fri.-Sun.

CAMPING WEEKEND AT BASS RIVER STATE FOREST-OCSJ CAMPOREE. Join us for a fun-filled weekend of camping, hiking, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, biking in a joint National Trails Day – 100th anniversary of Bass River State Forest. We have a group campsite for Friday and Saturday nights. Check in Friday p.m. or Sat. a.m. Campfire each night.. There is a small fee per person for the campsite. **CAMPERS MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS BEFORE 25. SPACE IS LIMITED. MEMBERS NOT CAMPING ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE ACTIVITIES DAILY.** You can even backpack or bike in to join the group for the daily activities. (*ENTRANCE FEE INTO THE PARK*). Bass River State Forest entrance is located on Stage Road, 6 miles W of Tuckerton, or 3 miles N of New Gretna, lower Burlington Co. For information or sign up, contact leaders: Pat Burton, 856-767-8064. Joseph Trujillo, 856-468-4849

JUNE 4
Saturday
10:00 a.m.-
1:00 p.m

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY-CENTENNIAL HIKE. 5 miles from Lake Absegami into the lowlands between the east and west branches of the Bass River. Bring lunch, beverage. Meet at Lake Absegami beach parking next to the Red Trail kiosk. **OTHER ONGOING ACTIVITIES:** Kayaking, swimming at Lake Absegami or Harrisville Pond. Canoeing on Harrisville Pond or Wading River. Biking in the Park or mountain biking around the perimeter.

1:30 p.m. –
3:00 p.m

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS “PARKITECTURE” WALK. Join author and historian Peter Osborne on a walking tour of structures built by Bass River State Forest C.C.C. Companies 225 and 2201 and the remains of their camp. **MEET AT THE FOREST OFFICE.**

8:00 p.m. –
10:00 p.m

STAR GAZING AT LAKE ABSEGAMI. At sunset join members of the Willingboro .Astronomical Society for a fascinating tour of the sky using their powerful telescopes.

JUNE 5
Sunday
10:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m.

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY TRAIL MAINTENANCE PROJECT. We need OCSJ members to come out and join the campers to help improve the trails in New Jersey’s first State Forest. Bring lunch, work gloves. Snacks and drinks provided.

JUNE 4
Saturday
9:00 a.m.



CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. Paddle from the Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton. Meet at Burlington County Community College parking lot. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Life vests must be worn. Call leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L. Cell 908-692-6807 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

JUNE 4
Saturday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE WADING RIVER. We'll paddle from Hawkins to Evans and later join the campers at Lake Absegami. Meet at Pine Barrens Canoe Rental, Rt. 563. 8 miles S of Chatsworth. For rentals call 1-800-732-0793. Leaders: Kathy and Frank P., 856-767-2780 before 8 p.m. or hornet71@verizon.net

JUNE 5
Sunday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER from Firemen's Eddy, NJ to Morrisville, PA. (13 miles). Beginners are welcome. We'll have a break at historic Washington Crossing, NJ before continuing to Scudder's Falls where we will watch the play boaters during lunch. The Morrisville takeout is before Trenton's Calhoun St. Bridge. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip. Rentals available. Leader: Rob Johnson at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287.

JUNE 5
Sunday
9:30 a.m.

SOCIAL KAYAK TRIP. Paddle the Oswego River, one of the most picturesque rivers in the Pines. Bring lunch and water with you. We will stop to explore along the way. Limited space, call leader to reserve a space. Meet at Bel-Haven Canoe Rental Rt. 542, Greenbank, Burl. Co., Leader: Paul Serdiuk 856-697-3870 or pis1@cccnj.net

JUNE 5
Sunday
10:00 a.m. &
10:45 a.m.

SOUTH WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE. 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. Come explore one of the most awesome urban wilderness areas in the country! Sights include historic Rittenhousertown, and the Hermits and Gorgas Lane Caves. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. NO RESTROOMS! Lunch at Lover's Leap (No jumping please!). Bring lunch, beverage. Meet before 10:00 a.m. at big flagpole Cherry Hill Mall for car pooling, or by 10:45 a.m. at Henry Ave. and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-234-9474, kranzdnr@earthlink.net

JUNE 6
Monday
10:00 a.m.



HAMILTON PARK HIKE. 5 miles, moderate pace. Meet at Mastori's parking lot at jct. of Rts. 206 and 130, Bordentown. Directions given at parking lot. We will meet at Mastori's for lunch after the hike. Leaders: Bill Schmitt, 856-767-1838. Norm Lucas, 609-654-5893.

JUNE 8
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

WASHINGTON'S CROSSING PARK TO UNKNOWN SOLDIER'S GRAVES HIKE. 9 miles, moderate pace. Hike canal towpath to the graves of the first Unknown Soldiers of the Revolutionary War; return same route. Meet across from visitor's center, Rt. 32 (PA.). Leaders: Heinz Knaupp, 609-801-1168. Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609

JUNE 8
Wednesday
5:30 p.m.

PADDLE SKILLS NIGHTS AT LAKE LENAPE. Novice to advanced. Come out to the lake and work on your paddling skills in an informal setting with fellow paddlers. Practice or learn paddle strokes, rolling skills, self-rescue, and safety

techniques or just paddle around the lake. Interested beginners or first timers welcome. We have some gear for use. Contact John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617
e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

JUNE 9
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER.
We paddle from Penny Pot to The historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome. Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John K., 609-412-2617 or e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

JUNE 9
Thursday
7:30 p.m.



CLUB MEETING. Board of Trustees. Activity committees Leaders. St.Pius X Catholic Church, 344Kresson Road, Cherry Hill. From I-295, get off exit 32 N toward Haddonfield: at Rt.154, Brace Road, turn right. At the next traffic light, turn onto Kresson Rd. Go 1/2 mile, Church is on right. If you need additional directions, call Walt or Jean Stelmazyk, 856-429-9089.

JUNE 10
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com
alison@mikebaker.com

JUNE 11
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

CANOEING/ KAYAKING SKILLS REFRESHER AT HARRISVILLE LAKE OR LAKE OSWEGO. Happy May Day! Knowledgeable paddlers from the OCSJ will share information about equipment, safety practices, self-rescue, paddling techniques and efficiencies. New and beginning paddlers are welcome. If you are a canoeist considering kayaking or vice-versa this is also an opportunity to practice those skills and try other member's boats. After practicing at the lake we'll paddle the river. For those who don't have a boat you can rent from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental, 1-800-732-0793. Life vests must be worn. Contact leaders to confirm participation. Leaders: George & Leona F. 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

JUNE 11
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

BACKPACKING / WILDERNESS COOKING. Topics covered in this course will be meal planning for weekend and extended trips, nutritional needs, off the shelf foods, prepackaged backpacking meals, and a few gourmet recipes. Both novice and experienced "cooks" are welcome. Bring your secret recipes. Contact Linda S. 856-854-8749.
Lindads2@aol.com

JUNE 11
Saturday

OCSJ BICYCLING COURSE, ROAD 1. See page 6.

JUNE 12
Sunday
8:30 a.m.

SOCIAL WISSAHICKON GORGE. 7 miles, moderate pace. Hike the Gorge in late Spring with its spectacular views. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. NC/NP. Meet in rear parking lot Hilton Hotel, Rt. 70 Cherry Hill to carpool/caravan; or meet at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Green parking lot in park. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

JUNE 12
Sunday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER from Firemen's Eddy, NJ to Morrisville, PA. (13 miles). Beginners are welcome. We'll have a break at historic Washington Crossing, NJ before continuing to Scudder's Falls where we will watch the play boaters during lunch. The Morrisville take-out is before Trenton's Calhoun St. Bridge. Life vests must be worn. Call to confirm trip. Rentals available. Leader: Rob Johnson at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287.

JUNE 12
Sunday
9:30 a.m.

TUCKERTON CREEK KAYAK TRIP – 10:00 a.m. to approximately 2:00 p.m. Drop-in at First Bridge Marina & Kayaks, 500 Great Bay Blvd, Tuckerton, Lunch at Stewart's Root Beer and return. Novice/Intermediate. This is a joint trip with Great Bay Paddlers. Rentals available, Call Rusty @ First Bridge Marina – 609-296-1888. This trip consists of sheltered creek and opens bay paddling, weather permitting. PFD's Required. Stewart's is on Rt. 9 next to Tuckerton Seaport. Call or e-mail leader to confirm. Leader: Roger Marcotte, 609-812-0201 or Rogercotte@aol.com

JUNE 12
Sunday
10:00 a.m.



BEAVER POND HIKE. 6-7 miles, moderate pace. We go up the Mullica River above the Lake to Goshen Pond, home to beavers, to learn about these creatures. Sarah Summerville, Director of Unexpected Wild Life Refuge, will tell us all about them. Bring lunch, beverage. Meet at Atsion. Leaders: Joseph Trujillo, 609-468-4849. Sarah Summerville.

JUNE 13
Monday
10:00 a.m.

ATLANTIC CITY HIKE. 5 miles, moderate pace. Meet at Ventnor Library parking lot at Atlantic and Newport Aves. Leaders: Norm Lucas, 609-654-5893. Bill Schmitt, 856-767-1838.

JUNE 15
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.



MERCER COUNTY CENTRAL PARK HIKE. 9 miles, moderate pace. In Edinberg, NJ. A loop hike around Lake Mercer. Bring lunch; we will eat on the trail. Meet at Marina parking lot. Take N.J. Turnpike to exit 7A (Rt. 195). Take Rt. 195-W for 2 mi to exit 5 (Rt. 130). Follow Rt. 130-N for 1 mile (past large shopping center) to intersection of Rts. 33/526 in Robbinsville. Turn left at intersection traffic light, then right at next light (Rt.526 Robbinsville-Edinberg Rd). Go 3 miles to dead end at Rt 535 (Edinberg Rd). Turn left on 535 and go just a bit to park entrance, on right. Enter and go about 1 mile to Marina driveway, on right, across from Park Ranger headquarters. Leaders: Barb and Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012, BarbnRay@aol.com

JUNE 15
Wednesday
5:30 p.m.

PADDLE SKILLS NIGHTS AT LAKE LENAPE. Novice to advanced. Come out to the lake and work on your paddling skills in an informal setting with fellow paddlers. Practice or learn paddle strokes, rolling skills, self-rescue, and safety techniques or just paddle around the lake. Interested beginners or first timers welcome. We have some gear for use. Contact John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617. E-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

JUNE 16
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE SOUTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. The Rancocas Creek watershed is the largest watershed in south central NJ. Bring your binoculars to look for Great blue herons, eagles, hawks, and other wildlife in this

lovely tidal area. Thanks to Judy N. for sharing one of her favorite places with us! We'll meet at Flo's Tavern in Hainesport, paddle with the tide, stop at a newly preserved park along the creek and continue through Lumberton to Ironwood before returning with the tide to Flo's. Life vests must be worn. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Contact leaders to confirm trip. Leaders: Leona & George F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

JUNE 17
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison and Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004.
mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

JUNE 18
Saturday
8:30 a.m.

GUIDED KAYAK ECO-TOUR – 9:00-11:00 a.m. In the heart of Great Bay Wildlife Management Area. Observe beautiful wildlife, birds and plants within the estuary while kayaking in the sheltered back creeks with experienced guides. This is a joint trip with Great Bay Paddlers. No experience necessary, novice/intermediate, rentals and lessons available. PFD's Required. Prices available upon request, discounts to Club Members. Call or e-mail Rusty Draper, Group Leader @ First Bridge Marina & Kayaks for reservations and/or information – 609-296-1888 or Rusty@fbkayak.com

JUNE 18
Saturday
10:00 a.m.



PADDLE WITH THE TIDE ON THE CROSSWICKS CREEK/HAMILTON-TRENTON-BORDENTOWN MARSH. The Marsh is the northernmost tidal area on the Delaware River. Native Americans thrived on these lands more than 10,000 years ago. We'll paddle to Roebing Park, grill hot dogs for lunch and maybe take a short hike to Spring Lake to see the swans. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Meet at Bordentown Beach. Life vests must be worn. Please contact leaders to confirm trip. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

JUNE 18
Saturday
7:30 p.m.



SOCIAL MOONLIGHT HIKE. 6 miles, moderate pace. Hike under the Strawberry Moon as we walk along old cranberry bogs and listen to the evening serenade. Bring snack type food to share for our tailgate social after the hike. NC/NP. Meet in parking lot at Whitesbog Village, Burl. Co. From Rt. 70-E take Rt. 530-N, go 1 mile, turn right onto village entrance road. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

JUNE 18
Saturday

OCSJ BICYCLING COURSE, ROAD 1. See page 6.

JUNE 18-19
Sat.-Sun.

BACKPACK A DIFFERENT SECTION OF THE HARRIMAN STATE PARK. Approx. 12 miles. This trip has been rescheduled from the winter Trekker. We will start out on the AT, pick up a trail in the park and return to the cars via the AT. Leader Crysti J. 856-629-0414. Co-leader Joe. D. Intermediate. Limited to 10 trekkers.

JUNE 19
Sunday
8:30 a.m.

MAURICE RIVER TRIP - M&M WARM UP – We paddle from Willow Grove Lake to Sherman Rd. Nice medium length trip with several possible paddling obstructions. Catch the spring colors, as the weather turns warmer. Meet at the WAWA (with gas pumps) at Rt. 47 and Rt. 40 in Malaga for a last minute pit stop. We leave the parking lot at 9 AM sharp. Or meet at the put in on Garden Road and the river at 9:15 AM. John 856-691-3047 Taxman56@aol.com Please put OCSJ in all email headers.

JUNE 19
Sunday
9:00 a.m.



CLASS C. FAMOUS BAGEL RIDE. 30 miles. Great ride in Burlington County with a bagel stop. Meet at Moorestown H.S., Bridgeboro Rd., Moorestown. Leader: Fran H., 856-786-0048, franhorn@aol.com.

JUNE 19
Sunday
9:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE MULLICA RIVER. This is a beautiful time of year on the Mullica to enjoy the aquatic flowering plants of the NJ Pinelands. We launch at the old Cotton Mill ruins at Atsion, which are on the south side of the Mullica one-quarter mile off Rt. 206. From there we paddle 14 miles to the Pleasant Mills takeout, stopping along the way for lunch and for swim breaks. Life vests must be worn. Please call to confirm trip. Leaders George & Leona F, 609-259-3734 or fluck@pineypaddlers.com

JUNE 19
Sunday
9:30 a.m.



SOCIAL KAYAK TRIP. Paddle the Wading or Oswego Rivers. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after trip. Call leader to reserve space. Meet at Bel Haven canoe rentals, on Rt. 542, Green Bank, Burl. Co., 8 miles east of Hammonton. Leader: Paul Serdiuk 856-697-3870 pis1@cccnj.net

JUNE 21
Tuesday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER ON THE SUMMER SOLSTICE. Paddle 12+ miles from Upper Black Eddy, PA to Bull's Island, NJ. Life vests must be worn. Contact leaders to optimize shuttle arrangements. Leaders: George and Leona F, 609-259-3734 or fluck@pineypaddlers.com.

JUNE 22
Wednesday
10:00

PRINCETON RAMBLE HIKE. 8 miles, moderate pace. Partly through town, partly on the canal. Meet at Kingston Lock. Leaders: John and Hedy Bauer, 609-877-7018. bauerje@comcast.net

JUNE 22
Wednesday
5:30 p.m.

PADDLE SKILLS NIGHTS AT LAKE LENAPE. Novice to advanced. Come out to the lake and work on your paddling skills in an informal setting with fellow paddlers. Practice or learn paddle strokes, rolling skills, self-rescue, and safety techniques or just paddle around the lake. Interested beginners or first timers welcome. We have some gear for use. Contact John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617 Email mrjnk347@msn.com

JUNE 23
Thursday
10:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE BEAUTIFUL GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER. We paddle from Penny Pot to The historic site of Weymouth Furnace. Beginners welcome Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner Rt. 322 and 8th St. for details call John Kreutzer, 609-412-2617 or email mrjnk347@msn.com

JUNE 24
Friday
9:00 a.m.

PADDLE THE WADING RIVER FROM SPEEDWEL TO EVANS. Meet before 9:00 a.m. at Pine Barrens Canoe Rental, Rt. 563, 8 miles S of Chatsworth. *IMPORTANT TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.* Call Pine Barrens at 1-800-732-0793. Leader: Becky S., E-mail preferred quasar@snip.net, 856-218-7725.

JUNE 24
Friday
7:00 p.m.



FITNESS HIKE. 6-8 miles, fast pace. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. See April 1 for full hike description. Leaders: Alison and Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004.
mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

JUNE 24-26
Fri.-Sun.

OCSJ 16 TH. ANNUAL CAPE MAY OUTING. The DEADLINE WAS APRIL 10, 2005. CONTACT Pat or Bruce Carey at (609) 877-5872. E-mail foxii25@comcast.net, 25 Edgely Lane, Willingboro, NJ 08046. Details were in Winter Trekker.

JUNE 25
Saturday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. Paddle from the Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton. Meet at Burlington County Community College parking lot. For rentals contact RJ Toad at Rollerrob@aol.com or 609-234-5287. Life vests must be worn. Call leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L. Cell 908-692-6807 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

JUNE 27-28
Sat.-Sun.



FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND AT BASS RIVER. Saturday kids hike and swimming at the lake. Campfire and hot dog roast in the evening. Sunday family canoe day at Lake Oswego. Rentals are available. Contact leader for details. Leaders Kathy and Frank P. and Lyla, 856-767-2780 before 8 p.m., E-mail hornet71@verizon.net

JUNE 25-26
Sat.-Sun.

BACKPACK THE AT IN PENNSYLVANIA. Lehigh Gap to Wind Gap. 21 miles. Leader Dennis M. 856-547-1617. Intermediate. NP.

JUNE 26
Sunday
8.30 a.m.

MAURICE RIVER 4th ANNUAL M&M TRIP. Malaga to Millville. This is a long, all day paddle. Experienced paddlers please; this is not a trip for beginners. Hopefully there will be more than ample water levels to speed our way along. We try out Scotland Run Put-In for the first time in 2 years. Pack plenty of food and drinks. We meet at 9 AM at the WAWA on Rt. 40 in Malaga (with gas pumps). Call to confirm. John Kee, 856-691-3047 taxman56@aol.com

JUNE 26
Sunday
8:30 a.m.



SOCIAL RALPH STOVER SP, PA. HIKE. 7-8 miles, moderate pace. Be prepared for rock scramble and steep climbs for spectacular views of the Tohickon Creek. Hiking boots recommended and good physical condition. Bring picnic type food to share at tailgate social after hike. NC/NP. Meet at Hilton Hotel rear parking area, Rt. 70 Cherry Hill, to car-pool/caravan. Leave at 8:30 a.m. sharp! Or meet at the first parking lot in Stover by bridge at 9:30 a.m. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. or pis1@cccnj.net

JUNE 26
Sunday
10:00 a.m.

FAMILY CANOE DAY AT LAKE OSWEGO. A great chance to have fun and paddle around the lake. Beginners and families welcome. Bring picnic type lunch. For those who don't have a boat you can rent from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental 609-726-1515. Leaders: Kathy and Frank P., 856-767-2780 before 8 p.m., hornet71@verizon.net

JUNE 29
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.



RANCOCAS STATE PARK HIKE. 6 miles, moderate pace. NP. Meet at Rancocas Nature Center parking lot. From I-295 take exit 45A (Mt. Holly/Willingboro). Head east on Rancocas Road (Rt. 626). Center is on right-hand side, about 1.8 miles from I-295. Leaders: Barb and Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012, BarbnRay@aol.com

JUNE 29
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.

D & R N.J. CANAL HIKE. 10 miles, moderate pace. Hike from Blackwells Mills to Amwell to Weston Causeway and on to Zarephath (Pillar of Fire). Return same route. Lunch at Zarephath picnic area. Meet at Blackwells Mills – Six Mile Run Reservoir Park Parking. Take Rt. I-295-N / Rt. I-95-S to exit 8 (Princeton Pike Rt. 583) to Rt. 27 in Princeton. Follow Rt 27 to Kingston to Laurel Rd (traffic light); turn left onto Laurel Rd and proceed to crossing of Rt. 518, where it becomes Canal Road. Follow Canal Rd to Black Wells Mills. Leaders: Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609. Heinz Knaupp, 609-801-1168

JUNE 29
Wednesday

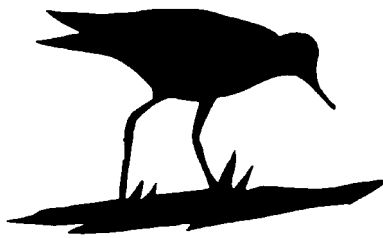


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JUNE 30
Thursday
9:00 a.m.

CANOE/KAYAK CEDAR CREEK TO BERKELEY PARK. Enjoy a summer paddle from Ore Pond into Lanoka Harbor and to Berkeley Park (9 miles). We stop to swim in Cedar Creek along the way. Option to takeout at Dudley Park (7 miles). Life vests must be worn. Please contact leaders to confirm trip. Meet at Double Trouble Park Headquarters. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com



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