



# OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

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### *Summer 2007*

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*Celebrating 40 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.

## A Message From The President

Chirping birds, budding trees and the gentle warm winds of spring are just a memory as we find ourselves in the midst of the summer season. It's time to find cool refreshing water to dip our toes in and to make that long tall glass of iced tea with. As you are sitting poolside, thinking cool thoughts, check out the cross-country skiing schedule for the fall and winter seasons.

Just as we have said farewell to the gentle winds of spring, the Outdoor Club is saying farewell to some members who have served the club in volunteer leader capacities. Crysti Jackson, former backpacking chair has said hello to married life, David and Doris Crozier, who have run the Washington D.C. trip, have needed to step down due to health concerns and Jim McCabe, Mountain bike coordinator, has left to pursue other activities. On behalf of the Outdoor Club, I thank them all for the time and effort they have given to the club.

The club continues to move forward with the introduction of having the website available to cell phone users, Board of Trustees training and a review of the bylaws. At the end of September, the OCSJ Cycling team will be participating in the City to Shore MS ride and need your support. For more information on the ride and volunteer opportunities contact Tony Marchionne at 609-828-0268.

The summer schedule presents many, many opportunities to get out and enjoy the outdoors, so get out there!

Kathleen Pearce  
OCSJ President  
bakerkp1@verizon.net

## *Coming Events*

**CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOU COMPUTER AT (OCSJ.ORG) OR ON YOUR CELL PHONE AT (W.OCSJ.ORG) \***

**IF YOU HAVE INTERNET ACCESS) FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION. CYCLIST JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR LATEST INFORMATION CHECK.**

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND IN THE POCONO MTS.** Saturday, September 1 through Monday 3, 2007. Bruce and Pat Carey will have a weekend away for biking, hiking, kayaking/canoeing, shopping and fun. Back by popular demand! The stay is at the Inn of Jim Thorpe (1-800-329-2599). Please call the leaders before you book a room. We reserved a block of rooms for the group. Each person will make his/hers own reservation for a room. A credit card may be needed to hold the room. Full payment does not have to be made until the Summer. Rooms go quickly at the inn. Breakfasts are included. Call Pat and Bruce at 609- 877-5872.

### **SEPTEMBER IN WESTERN MAINE**

Location: Bald Mountain Camps, Oquossoc, Me.

(www.baldmountaincamps.com) Historic sporting camp located on Mooselookmeguntic Lake, two and one half hours north of Portland, Me. Activities: several hiking options (mt. tops, water falls, backwoods roads, apiece of the A.T.), kayaking/canoeing, biking, golfing, tennis, wildlife viewing, geocaching, sunsets, moonrises, starlight, loon calls to appreciate, or slip into Rangeley if civilization required. Trip includes: kayaking or canoeing pristine lakes and rivers with our host and Registered Maine Guide, Steve Philbick, log cabins with fireplace, wood, bath, linens, porch, Lodge dining room for first class breakfasts and dinners, sack lunches for the trail. Price: \$165/day for lodging, meals, guide, shuttles. Bikes, canoes, kayaks, maps and other gear is available on request. Contact: Judy Norcross (856)-235-8735, e-mail: jsnorcross@aol.com. Photo CD of area available. Dates proposed: Sept.. 2nd-7th and 9th-14th. Happy to answer questions. Click on "PHOTO Gallery" off www.ocsj.org home page. In addition to see a PHOTO Show with music, click on "VIDEO" in the Banner of the "PHOTO Gallery".

**SEPTEMBER 15-BUS TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY.** New York City, the most beguiling city in the U.S. See it! Feel it! Celebrate the Festival of Gennaro in Little Italy's main strip Mulberry Street. Explore Manhattan, Downtown, Midtown and Uptown. Whatever you want. We drop you off at South Street Seaport and pick you up for return trip home at 7:00 p.m. sharp. Cost is \$20. Make check payable to OCSJ and mail to David Hegelein, 603 Bowling Green, Moorestown, NJ 080057.

**SEPTEMBER 21-23 ASSATEAQUE ISLAND KAYAK TRIP.** Kayak and camp at the Federal campground on Assateaque Island. We will kayak the back bays and perhaps go out to an island. Downtime to relax, light hiking trails, optional group dinner in town. Contact leader for registration/campground information. Participants will be responsible for their own campsite reservations. Trip will only run with a minimum confirmed group. Leader: Paul Serdiuk 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@ccnj.net

**SEPTEMBER 30 HIKE CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, VA.** 8 to 10 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at the main Visitor's Center near the park entrance (Herbert H. Bateman) at 10:00 AM. This is a leisurely hike to view the abundant wildlife and possibly the famous ponies. Bring sunscreen and bug repellent (mosquitoes and flies can be fierce even at this time of the year). Note: There is a per car entrance fee to the NWR. I expect to be there on vacation. Call a week before (not at the last minute!) or check the web site ([www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org)) to confirm hike will take place. Hikers must arrange their own carpool(s)/transportation, and accommodations if planning to stay overnight. There are many motels and campgrounds on the island in all price ranges. Extensive information at [www.chincoteague.com](http://www.chincoteague.com). Chincoteague is on VA Rt.175 which is a left turn (when going south) off of Rt.13 shortly after entering VA. Leader: Milt Cannan, 856-983-9076

**OCTOBER 27-28, Sat.-Sun. HALLOWEEN CANOE AND CAMP.** (Rain Dates NOV. 3 & 4) An OCSJ annual event that has never failed to draw a great and jovial crowd of devils and ghouls. Backpackers welcome if they dare. Camping spaces are limited. Call early to reserve your spot. Small fee for campsites. Call for details. Leaders: Priscilla H., 609-953-8064 CINBEAR@SNIP.NET and Art M., 215-788-7451, 8-10 p.m.

**OCTOBER IS PINELANDS MONTH.** A month long celebration of the Pinelands with all kinds of activities on-going. Cranberry harvest fairs, festivals, wagon and walking tours, nature walks, hikes. Pinelands month opening celebration is held at Whitesbog Village. The Pinelands Preservation Alliance (PPA) is in need of volunteers to staff information booths, lead nature walks, lead hikes, or just help out. To get on the volunteer list or find out more information call 609-859-8860.

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## BACKPACKING

### A Message from the Activity Chair

As the new backpacking chair, first, I would like to thank Crysti for introducing me to the trail and setting the stage. Second I would like to congratulate her on her marriage to Joe. Third, I hope to see old friends and make new friends this coming year. The backpacking schedule has a few trips to offer and hopefully we will add new ones to the hotline. If you are a new backpacker and want to come along, always call the leader for details. Don't let lack of equipment keep you home; I personally have a few extra things to lend.

Pat Burton  
camperpat@hotmail.com

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## CAMPING

### A Message From The Camping Activity Chair

Camping is always fun in the Summer. I love to cook-out and swim in the lakes. Our schedule has a few trips to offer and I hope old and new friends join in this year. Let's enjoy the Summer together.

Pat Burto  
camperpat@hotmail.com

## NEWS AND NOTES

### **"HOT PAGE" OCSJ website information access by Cell phone.**

The method that OCSJ communicates to members about additions, deletes or changes to our activities as printed in the quarterly Trekker is through the club website at [ocsj.org](http://ocsj.org). The OCSJ club website is accessed over 6,000 times per month.

The OCSJ "Update" or "HOT PAGE" messages can be accessed from your Cell phone if you have Internet access capability. The URL for the OCSJ Cell phone page is [w.ocsj.org](http://w.ocsj.org)

The full OCSJ website is designed for best viewing using a 1024 by 768 pixel screen resolution. A Cell phone has a much smaller screen size. The OCSJ Cell phone page uses 176 by 184 pixel screen resolution and is very limited in what content can be displayed.

Additions in the future will include, real time information such as weather and water level (gauges).

### **April Apex hike on Saturday, April 21:**

The following OCSJ members completed the April Apex hike on Saturday, April 21: Joe Hummel, Ray Wittkop, Paul Foged, Beth Compagnucci, Joan Leber, and Dave Chamberlain. This marathon hike of 26 miles and 200 yards is the longest and most challenging of the clubs hikes. Everyone also completed the hike last year, except Dave Chamberlain who is a newcomer.

**OCSJ Congratulations to Mike & Alison Baker for finishing the 111th Boston Marathon.** Check the OCSJ website [OCSJ.org](http://OCSJ.org) and Click "IN THE NEWS" for details  
**Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC) volunteers, March 31, 2007.**

Ten volunteers from the Outdoor Club of South Jersey Dee Adams, Eileen Grevé, Dennis McKane, Ann Palaitis, John Palaitis, Charlie Phy, and Jim Puzo, Estelle Rea,, Anne Marie Seifried and Sue Wills came for the group's annual spring work trip, following the wonderful tradition started by Richard Grevé 24 years ago after completing his section-hike of the A.T. Check the OCSJ website [OCSJ.org](http://OCSJ.org) and Click "IN THE NEWS" for details.

### **Leader(s) wanted for the Washington, DC Trip.**

David & Doris Crozier have informed the Club that they will no longer be able to lead the Trip. It was originally Schedule for May but construction at the Cherry Hill Mall meeting location forced a cancellation.

The Club wishes to Thank Dave and Doris for leading the trip for the last several years and all the best in the future.

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## BICYCLING



### **A Message From The Bicycling Activity Chair**

With the arrival of warm weather, our riding schedule is in full swing. Hopefully, there's something on the schedule for everyone. If you don't find something that fits your needs, why not step up and lead a ride that does. Chances are there are others who would enjoy the same ride. Just contact the appropriate ride coordinator with the details. We always need new leaders, so please consider leading a ride.

Along those lines, we really need a few people to step up and help the club. Jim McCabe has stepped down as the MTB coordinator (thanks for your service Jim). So in addition to a B ride coordinator, we now also need a mountain bike coordinator. Being a coordinator basically requires soliciting and compiling the monthly list of rides for your class. If you feel the club has given something to you, why not step up and give something back!!

Also, the club's team for the MS 150 City to Shore is still looking for a captain. Unfortunately, if someone doesn't volunteer soon, there won't be enough time to coordinate a team for this year's C2S. If interested, please let me know ASAP and I'll fill you in on the details. Even if you can't become captain, don't forget to register for the C2S at: [www.citytoshore.org](http://www.citytoshore.org).

To all leaders and coordinators, thanks for your continued efforts. To everyone, enjoy the roads!

Tony Marchionne  
[tonymarch@iwon.com](mailto:tonymarch@iwon.com)  
609-828-0268



## CANOEING/KAYAKING

### A message from the Canoe/Kayak Activity Chair



To help make everyone's paddling experience an enjoyable one, read the trip description. If you have questions, especially if a trip is right for you, call the leader. Factors such as trip length, pace, water classification, number of stops, river conditions (cleared, obstructions, rocks), weather conditions etc. should all be considered. You should stay between the designated leader and the sweep. 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. Remember to dress for the water temperature and not the air temperature. Avoid cotton clothing, it will not keep you warm if wet and will be slow drying, a synthetic fabric such as polartec is a better choice.

**CLUB POLICY NOW REQUIRES THAT PFD'S MUST BE WORN. PLEASE REMEMBER IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OCSJ ORGANIZED SHUTTLES YOU NEED TO MAKE YOUR OWN ARRANGEMENTS. NO EXCEPTIONS.** A flashlight is required for evening trips. A whistle is required for Delaware River trips and recommended for all trips and painter lines are a good idea. A helmet for whitewater may also be a good investment. You must assess the suitability and condition of your equipment and if a trip is within your abilities. 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 LEADER'S MUST SUBMIT (MAIL, FAX) SIGN-IN SHEETS TO THE CANOE/KAYAK CHAIR ASAP – NO EXCEPTIONS, also if a trip is cancelled please notify the chair.** Need a form or address etc. please contact me?

See You on the Water!!  
Frank Pearce  
Hornet71@verizon.net  
856-767-2780 before 8 p.m.

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## HIKING

### A Message from the Hiking Activity Chair

Summer is usually the lighter season for hiking; however the hiking leaders have scheduled approximately 50 hiking trips and events.

Remember to always check the Website at Hiking > Updates page for changes and/or cancellations before going on any hike: [www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org)

Read the trip descriptions carefully, and always contact the leader if you have any questions. Be sure to bring the appropriate gear, water, and food as necessary for that event. Arrive early so you have time to sign-in and get ready for the trip. Be prepared to stay with the group for the full hike. Of course, leaders have final say on trip participation and safety concerns. Guests may try a hiking event once. Then say, "Sign me up." Membership forms are available from your trip leader and on the club website.

As usual, we are always keeping an eye out for qualified hiking leaders.  
Tom Neigel  
Hiking Chair  
609-206-3389

## TRAIL MAINTENANCE

### A message from the Activity Coordinator

One of the most important activities that OCSJ has responsibility for is trail maintenance. We have 20 miles of the BATONA Trail, from the Batsto Fire Tower in Wharton State Forest to the Bass River in Bass River State Forest. It is a year around job to cut back the growth of shrubbery to keep the trail in good, hikeable, well marked condition.

We are fortunate to have a great group of volunteers who give their all to give us a well groomed, clear-cut trail through the woods. This team of trail maintainers is lead by **Dennis Hull** as the overall maintenance supervisor. Volunteers working on the BATONA Trail and other trails are **Tim Riegert, Rosemarie Mason, Bob Bloomer, Mary Ellen Masticova, Craig Noack, Bill and Floss Schmitt, Norm and Evelyn Lucas, Herb and Roz Rosenbluth, Heinz Knaupp, Sal Tucci, Bill Poulson.**

Thanks, guys and gals, for all the work you do to give us the pleasure of hiking clear-cut, well-marked trails. You are truly "giving back."

*Note: We can always use more volunteers, Call Dennis to get your name on the list.*

Joseph Trujillo, 856-468-4849  
Coordinator, Activities Committees

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## WALKING PACE DEFINITIONS

### WALKING PACE

These are averages only; actual results may vary due to factors such surfaces (e.g, trails, vs roads), terrain (e.g., bushwhacking vs clear), elevation changes, (e.g., hilly vs flat), and weather.

| PACE:              | EASY               | MODERATE      | BRISK         | FAST               |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
|                    | less than 2.5 mph  | 2.5-3.0 mph   | 3.0 – 3.5 mph | over 3.5 mph       |
| Avg. time per mile | 25 or more minutes | 20-25 minutes | 17-20 minutes | 17 or less minutes |

### HIKE DESCRIPTIONS

- **EASY** - pace defined as slower walking with more frequent rest breaks (e.g. for viewing surroundings, nature calls, equipment adjustments, and allowing walkers to catch up). For the slower walker.
- **MODERATE** - pace defined as as comfortable walking with occasional rest breaks. For the average walker.
- **BRISK** - pace defined as faster walking with occasional rest breaks. For the average, better conditioned walker.
- **FAST** - pace defined as fitness walking with few rest breaks for any reason. For seasoned, in fit condition walkers.

### 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.

## MESSAGE FROM THE X/C SKI & SNOWSHOE CHAIR

When you read this you may be sitting by the pool, enjoying the warm summer's sun. A strange time to think about snow and X/C skiing! Not really. Now is the time to begin to plan your adventure. Take a look at the wonderful trips our leaders have put together for next season. Don't miss out. Let the leader know of your interest.

*Several interesting trips which you might consider are:*

February 8 to 12 at Bretton Woods, NH. This is among the top 10 ski resorts in the US. Located very close to Mt Washington, the scenery is stunning, the ski trails and grooming are superb, and the resort is luxurious.

Contact Dan McAuliffe for info.

Probably early March – Kathleen McGuire is putting together a new trip to Sun Valley, Idaho. Still in the planning stages as I write this, check the OCSJ website or contact her for more info.

March 8 – 16 Another trip that is still on the drawing board (note: I'm writing this in April) Sue Lipski is planning a trip to Royal Gorge in California. With the drama of the Sierra Nevada range as a backdrop, and 200 km of groomed trails, Royal Gorge is a spectacular destination, but pricey. To defray costs, Sue is searching for more affordable accommodation within 10 miles of the resort. Again, check the OCSJ website or contact her for more info.

Happy trails! Think snow.

### Now a Preview of Next Year's Ski Schedule

**DEC. 27-JAN. 1**  
Thurs. to Tues.

**CRAFTSBURY, VT** – Includes trail passes. In addition to cross-country skiing, we will have snowshoeing, New Year's Eve bonfire and sauna. All skill levels. \$415 includes 5 nights in dorm-style rooms with shared bath. All meals included (vegetarian available). Deposit \$200 ASAP. Fran Horn. 856-786-0048 franhorn@aol.com

**DEC. 28-JAN. 1**  
Fri. to Tues.

**PULASKI/TUG HILL, NY** – The Tug Hill region is New York's snowbelt due to lake effect weather. Stay at 1880 House, a B&B. Ski at Osceola/Tug Hill and Salmon Hills nordic centers, backcountry or snowshoe. \$255 for 4 nights, 4 hearty breakfasts, gourmet dinner NY's Eve, all taxes & gratuities. - Call leader to reserve. Eileen Greve' 609-267-3598 egreve2@verizon.net

**JAN. 18-21**  
Fri. to Mon.

**(MLK WEEKEND) KEENE VALLEY, NY** – Stay at Trail's End B&B in Lake Placid area. Great for all levels of skiers and snowshoers. Popular trip. \$250 includes 3 nights, 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners, taxes and gratuities. Can be linked to the Stowe, VT trip listed below. Charlie Phy 609-567-0221 chalphy@comcast.net

**JAN. 11-13**  
Fri. to Sun.

**PROSPECT XC CENTER – BENNINGTON, VT.** Prospect is highest point in Vermont and snow is guaranteed! Lodge has a restaurant, rentals, snow shoeing, waxing room and 40 km trails. Tour Bennington, VT shops, museums! 5 hour drive. Price \$169: Two nights lodging (Fri, Sat) at AAA motel (dbl occ), 2 breakfasts, 1dinner, trail fees 2 days. Free ski lessons for beginners. Can be combined with Stowe trip below. Deposit: \$80.00. Full payment by 11/30. Dan & Charie McAuliffe 215-6307478 DNMLlogistics@MSN.Com

**JAN 13-18**  
Sun. to Fri.

**COMMODORE INN, STOWE VT.** Luxury accommodations and great skiing. For skier of all abilities. Also backcountry. \$352 for 5 nights, 5 dinners and breakfasts, taxes and tips. Can be combined with the Bennington trip Jan 11 to 13, or the Trail's End trip Jan 18 to 21. Both trips described above. Eileen Greve' 609-267-3598. egreve2@verizon.net

**JAN. 25-27**  
Fri to Sun

**MOHONK SCOTTISH X/C WEEKEND, NEW PALTZ, NY** - Enjoy Scottish festivities, dancing, gourmet meals, and skiing at



this venerable resort. \$235 pp incl 2 nights at the Adirondack style Minnewaska Lodge with breakfast. Free beginner lessons from certified instructor. Leader: Dan & Charie McAuliffe 215-630-7478. DNMLogistics@MSN.Com

**JAN. 29-FEB. 1**  
Tue. to Fri.

**MORNINGSTAR CHALET, LONDONDERRY VT.** (7) nights at private chalet with breakfast. X/C centers for all abilities include Viking, Wild Wings, Stratton, Okemo, Grafton Pond. Plenty of backcountry skiing (intermediate ski level), snowshoeing in Green Mt. Nat'l Forest. Approx \$175. Eileen Greve' 609-267-3598 egreve2@verizon.net

**JAN. 29-FEB. 1**  
Tue. to Fri.

**BLACKWATER FALLS LODGE, DAVIS WV.** (3) nights at state park lodge with motel style rooms with private bath, pool and hot tub. X/C centers at Blackwater Falls State Park and at White Grass Touring Center, snowshoe at Monangehela. National Forest. \$185 includes 3 breakfasts and 3 dinners. Option to arrive on Sunday, Jan 27, extending your stay to 5 days. Call John and Ann Palaitis, 856-810-2487. Palaitis@verizon.net

**FEB. 1-4**  
Fri. to Mon.

**COLONIAL HOUSE INN, WESTON, VT.** Rustic Atmosphere, intimate dining, Rooms in the Inn or the addition (motel). The Inn rooms share baths. The motel has private baths. Trip includes: all meals, Hors d'oeuvres before dinner on Sat & Sun. Rooms in the Inn are approx \$270 - 2 twin beds. Rooms in the motel are approx \$290 for modern room with private bath. Final price is not yet determined. Phil and Sheila Molodow, 856-428-7668. pmpanel@aol.com

**FEB. 8-12**  
Fri. to Tues.

**BRETTON WOODS, NH, MT WASHINGTON RESORT.** Ski at one of the premier ski touring centers in the US, with the stunning backdrop of Mt Washington and the Presidential range. \$370 pp incl 4 nights w breakfasts, 2 dinners, Apres ski party, all taxes & tips, X/C trail fees, ice skating, heated pools, guided tours, evening entertainment, etc. Leader Dan & Charie McAuliffe, 215-630-7478 DNMLogistics@MSN.Com

**FEB. 22-25**  
Fri. to Mon.

**LAKE PLACID AREA, NY.** Great skiing at Mt. van Hoevenberg X/C, on the Jackrabbit trail, and backcountry. Stay at new location – the Spruce Lodge in Lake Placid. Modern townhouse, built in 2004. All amenities incl tv, fireplace, full kitchen. Approx \$180 or less for 3 nights with breakfast. Don't wait. Limited to 6 people. Eileen Greve' 609-267-3598 egreve2@verizon.net

**FEB. 22-24**  
Fri. to Sun.

**BOONEVILLE, NY.** On the Tug Hill Plateau (in Oswego County, NY which got 10 feet of snow this past season) and only a 5 hour drive from Mt Holly, NJ this is a perfect weekend trip. \$139 pp for 2 nights, 2 breakfasts, 1 dinner, X/C trail passes, beginner lessons by certified instructor. Contact leaders :Dan & Charie McAuliffe 215-630-7478 DNMLogistics@MSN.Com

**MAR. 2-5**  
Fri. to Mon.

**COLONIAL HOUSE INN, WESTON, VT** – If you missed this trip in Feb, here's your chance to enjoy this delightful B&B and great area for skiing. Other options are snowshoeing, ice skating & hiking. This is a great trip for new skiers. The food is great; 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners are included. The cost is approximately \$200 – 250 depending on lodging. Deposit \$100 by 11/15. Eileen Greve 609- 267-3598 egreve2@verizon.net

**MAR. 8-16**

**ROYAL GORGE, CA.** A dream vacation. Ski in the spectacular Sierra Nevada range on 200 km of groomed trails. Stay economically outside of, but close to the resort. Leader: Sue Lipski 732-872-7796 or lipskisue@yahoo.com

**SUN VALLEY, IDAHO** - Being planned – dates to be announced: A prestige destination. Kathleen McGuire is putting this together. Contact her for details. 609 -267-6592 or M McGuirek@comcast.net

## STANDARD MEETING PLACES

*If the meeting place is one of the standard meeting 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.
- Cherry Hill Mall Flagpole** - Meet at big flagpole, on the Haddonfield Road side of Cherry Hill Mall, Rt. 38, Cherry Hill, NJ.
- 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.
- Henry Avenue & Walnut Lane parking area, Philadelphia** - Take Rt. 76 (Schuylkill Expressway) West to Lincoln Drive, exit #340A. Turn right at bottom of ramp, cross short bridge and take Ridge Avenue West exit. Proceed to 2nd traffic light and bear right. Go two more lights and bear left. At the next light, turn right onto Walnut Ln. Go to 2nd light and turn left onto Magdalena and a quick left into parking area. Approximately 9 miles from Ben Franklin Bridge.
- Jackson** - Meet just north of small bridge on Rt. 534 (Jackson Road), 1.7 miles northeast 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.
- Lake Absegami** - Meet at Lake Absegami parking, Bass River State Forest. Entrance is on Stage Road, 3.4 miles E of Rt. 679 (from the N & W); or 6 miles W of Tuckerton (from the N & E); or 3 miles N of New Gretna (from the S).
- 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.



# JULY



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### JULY 4

Wednesday  
10:00 a.m.



**FOURTH OF JULY ON THE MAURICE RIVER.** Meet at Garden Road, south side, we paddle to Sherman Ave. thru the less populated stretch seeking shade and celebrating Independence Day. Leader: Vicki S., 856-256-9568 or ravingwriter@netzero.com

### JULY 4

Wednesday



**CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER.** It's our July 4th trip from Kingwood Access to Lambertville (15 miles). We'll surf at Stover Mills and stop for lunch at the famous Hot Dog Man's river "restaurant" for paddlers. Then we'll guide you through the standing waves at Prah!s Island. Spray skirts and helmets recommended for kayakers. Contact leaders to confirm trip and meeting location. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

### JULY 4

Wednesday

**PADDLE SKILLS NIGHT 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. Contact John Kreutzer Phone, 609-412-2617 e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

### JULY 4

Wednesday

**NEW**



**KAYAK AND FIREWORKS!!** We will meet and paddle the Cooper River at a leisurely pace and then enjoy the fireworks display from our kayaks or the riverbank. All levels of kayakers welcomed! No rentals available. We will have a bar-b-que after the paddle and during the fireworks. If you are not paddling and would like to join us for the picnic, contact me. Please bring

picnic type food to share. Contact Leader to confirm trip participation, time, and meeting location. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

**JULY 5**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.

**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or mailto: Geofneil@aol.com.

**JULY 6**  
Friday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK CEDAR CREEK TO THE BAY.** Learn about geocaching as we locate caches and enjoy a summer trip on one of the most beautiful Pinelands streams. We paddle 12 miles from Dover Forge to Lanoka Harbor. Meet at Double Trouble Park Headquarters. Contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

**JULY 6**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.



**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year round, Friday night fitness hike; where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 4 MPH, 15 minutes per mile pace with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, shoes, or sneakers (sneakers are adequate in dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton socks). The first Friday of each month there is a dessert/dinner stop after the hike at a local restaurant. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mike Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com, alison@mikebaker.com

**JULY 8**  
Sunday  
9:00 a.m.

**SOCIAL KAYAK TRIP.** Paddle the Batsto River one of the most picturesque rivers in the Pines. Bring BBQ type food to share for out tailgate social after the paddle. Limited space, contact leader to reserve space. Meet at Bel-Haven Paddle Sport on Rt 543, Greenbank, Burl. Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

**JULY 8**  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

**LEADER'S CHOICE PADDLE.** We'll do either the Oswego or the Wading River. Meet at Pine Barrens Canoe Rental 3260 Route 563 Chatsworth, NJ .For rentals call 800- 732-0793. Leader Art Midouhas 215-788 -7451 after 8:30 p.m

**JULY 10**  
Tuesday  
9:30 a.m.

**PADDLE WITH THE TIDE ON THE CROSSWICKS/ HAMILTON-TRENTON-BORDENTOWN MARSH.** Native Americans thrived on these lands more than 10,000 years ago. See where Joseph Bonaparte's Bordentown estate, Point Breeze, was located on the bluffs above the Crosswicks. We'll stop for lunch at Roebling Park and grill hot dogs. Bring something to share at lunch. After lunch we'll hike to Spring Lake and look for Geocaches too!! Please contact leaders to confirm trip. Meet at Bordentown Beach. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**JULY 11**  
Wednesday

**PADDLE SKILLS NIGHT 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, Ph. 609-412-2617 e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

**JULY 12**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.

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**JULY 12**  
Thursday  
7:30 p.m.



**CLUB MEETING.** Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill.

**JULY 13**  
Friday  
9:30 a.m.

**WADING RIVER PADDLE.** Bring PFD, lunch and water. Spend a few hours on a beautiful, twisty and partially shaded river. Meet at Pine Barrens Canoes, rt. 563, Chatsworth. Call 1-800-732-0793 to reserve a boat. Rain cancels. Call or email Becky S. if you have questions. quasar@snip.net or 856-218-7725

**JULY 13**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.



**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

**JULY 14**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.** The Rancocas Creek Canoe Trail meanders through a hardwood forest and we always see painted turtles sunning themselves. We will paddle either from Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton or from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville Park. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp – behind BCCC's Pemberton campus on W. Rancocas Rd. Please contact leader to confirm trip. Leader: Dave L. Cell 609-784-4066 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

**JULY 14**  
Saturday  
5:00 p.m.



**SOCIAL HIKE, DINNER & MOVIE.** 6 miles easy pace. We will hike Cooper River Park, then have a picnic style diner outdoors in the park and then watch an outdoor movie. Meet at parking lot next to the Lobster Shack, Park Drive, Cooper River Park, (get there early) one block S. of Rt 70, Merchantville, NJ. Bring picnic type food to share, lawn chair/blanket to sit on. NC/NP. Contact leader for exact meeting location. Need a volunteer to help set up and stay with food during hike. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve., pis1@cccnj.net Inclement weather cancels.

**JULY 15**  
Sunday



**CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER ON BASTILLE DAY WEEKEND.** Frenchtown, NJ is hosting their 8th Annual Bastille Day Weekend Festival. We'll paddle 15 miles from Frenchtown to Lambertville. Kayakers - spray skirt and helmet recommended. Option to tour and dine in Frenchtown after paddling. Contact leaders to confirm trip, logistics and participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**JULY 15**  
Sunday  
9:00 a.m.



**CLASS C. FAMOUS BAGEL RIDE.** 30 miles. Great ride in Burlington County with a bagel stop. Meet at Moorestown High School, Bridgeboro Road, Moorestown. Leader: Fran H., 856-786-0048, FranHorn@gmail.com

**JULY 18**  
Wednesday  
8:00 a.m.

**PALMYRA COVE NATURE CENTER.** A 6-7 mile loop hike. Take Route 73 north to the last light before the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge and turn right. Follow the signs to the Nature Center. Visit the Nature Center building after the hike. Meet in the parking lot at the Center. *NOTE EARLY START TIME TO "BEAT THE HEAT", BRISK PACE.* NP, NC, FS. Leaders: Barb&Ray Wittkop 856-662 4012. BarbnRay Hikers@aol.com and Paul Foged, 732-996-1406.

**JULY 18**  
Wednesday

**PADDLE SKILLS NIGHT 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 Phone, 609-412-2617 e-mail mrjnk347@msn.com

**JULY 19**  
Thursday  
10:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK WITH "FORTUNATO" ON THE WADING RIVER.** This is a trip to enjoy with "your best friend" – so bring your paddlin' pooch!! We'll paddle 10 miles from Hawkins Bridge to Beaver Branch. There will be frequent stops with our "poochie paddlers". Rentals available from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental at [www.pinebarrenscanoe.com](http://www.pinebarrenscanoe.com) Please contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**JULY 19**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.

**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

**JULY 20**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.



**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

**JULY 21**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.

**STONY BROOK-MILLSTONE WATERSHED NATURE PRESERVE,** Pennington NJ. 7 Miles. Meet 9 am at the Nature Center parking lot. See Wargo Pond and Stony Brook. Hiking boots suggested. May be water on some trails. Bring lunch to eat on the trail. Use Mapquest – 31 Titus Mill Road, Pennington NJ 08534 or the following directions. Take Route # 95 to exit 4 (Route # 31). Take route # 31 north for 4.5 miles. Titus Mill Road will be on your right. There is a large business called Rosedale Mills on the corner and a sign "Watershed Reserve." Turn right on Titus Mill Rd. and go approximately 1.4 miles to the Watershed entrance on the left. The parking lot is at the end of the driveway across from the Nature Center. *NOTE EARLIER START TIME. MODERATE PACE.* NP, NC, FS. Barb & Ray Wittkop 856-662-4012. BarbnRay Hikers@aol.com and Paul Foged, 732-996-1406.

**JULY 21**  
Saturday



**TUCKERTON CREEK KAYAK TRIP & LUNCH.** 9:30 a.m. to Approx. 2:00 p.m. Weather Permitting. This trip is not appropriate for beginners. 3.5 miles each way. Put-in at First Bridge Kayaks, 500 Great Bay Blvd., Tuckerton. We will stop mid-paddle at Tuckerton Seaport or Stewart's for lunch (Pay your own lunch). You can arrange to leave a vehicle at the Seaport and not do the return trip. This is a joint trip with the Great Bay Paddlers. Rentals available by reservation: \$30 Single - \$45 Double. Call or e-mail leader to confirm trip at least 2 days prior. Leader: Roger Marcotte, 609-812-0201. Cell: 609-412-4137 or e-mail: rogercotte@comcast.net

**JULY 21**  
Saturday  
4:00 p.m.

**SUNSET CRUISE AND COOKOUT.** On the Mullica River. Bring your favorite cook out/picnic food. Grills will be fired up and ready at Crowley's Landing for the dinner stop. PFD must be worn. *YOU MUST BRING FLASHLIGHT AND REMAIN WITH GROUP.* Meet at Pleasant Mills (Mullica River put-in off of Rte. 542, before Batsto Village.) Leaders: Kathy and Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780. hornet71@verizon.net

**JULY 22**  
Sunday  
8.00 a.m.

**ANNUAL M&M MAURICE RIVER TRIP. THIS IS THE BIG ONE,** Malaga to Millville Call for details. INTERMEDIATE PADDLER'S. You MUST be able to handle your boat and be able to get it over obstructions. Over 14 twisty miles. 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 8 AM sharp. John 856-691-3047 Taxman56@aol.com Please put OCSJ in all e-mail headers.

**JULY 22**  
Sunday  
8:00 a.m.

**EARLY MORNING HIKE AND DIP.** 6-7 miles, moderate pace. Hike along the Skit with a chance to pick blueberries and dip in the cool water. Bring snack, water, insect, repellent and old sneaker for wading. Meet at the Skit Run Bridge 5.2 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Rd. Leader: Christine Denneker, 856-461-5379

**JULY 22**  
Sunday  
8:00 a.m.



**COOPER RIVER PARK AND ADJOINING PARKS.** 6 miles, BRISK PACE. A loop hike. Meet at the National Guard Army parking lot at North Park Blvd. and Grove Street in Cherry Hill. This meeting place is one block from the intersection of Route #70 and Haddonfield Road / Grove Street. A "get it over early" hike with optional brunch afterwards at the Country Buffet. NP NC FS. Leaders: Barb&Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012. BarbnRay Hikers@aol.com

**JULY 24-26**  
Tues.-Thurs.



**MIDWEEK FAMILY CAMPING TRIP AT LAKE LENAPE.** Enjoy a camping trip on the lake. This year maybe we'll try something new, like joining the club at the seashore on Wed at the water slide park. You must obtain your own site at the park. They do not make reservations over the phone. Sites are usually empty midweek. For more information call or e-mail Pat Burton 856-767-8064. camperpat@hotmail.com

**JULY 25**  
Wednesday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOE / KAYAK TOMS RIVER.** Follow the route of the Annual Toms River Canoe Race without the competition. Ten miles of changing scenery and river conditions from park and forest to open bay and river. Contact leaders to confirm participation. We will meet at Friendly's on Rt. 37, just past mile post 4, on the

East bound side. Come early and join us for breakfast. Bring five quarters for the parking meter at the take out. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com, or Judy Champion, jkchampion@msn.com

**JULY 25**  
Wednesday  
10:00 a.m.

**WATER SLIDE AT WILDWOOD.** Take a day off at the Jersey Shore. Come have some fun on the water slides. Bad weather cancels. Bring or buy lunch. Meet at 25th street and Boardwalk in North Wildwood at the entrance for Morey's Pier. Dave and Julie Hegelein 856 235-8792

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Wednesday



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**JULY 26**  
Thursday  
9:00 a.m.

**THREE PARK HIKE.** 7 miles, BRISK PACE. A loop hike that includes Cooper River Park, Newton Lake Park, and Knight's Park. Meet in the parking lot of the Lobster Trap restaurant on North Park drive in Pennsauken. Take Cuthbert Blvd. South from Routes 38 or 70. Go to the first light just before the Cooper River Bridge and turn right on to North Park Drive. The parking lot is about half a mile down on the left. NP NC FS. Leaders: Barb&Ray Wittkop 856-662-4012 BarbnRay Hikers@aol.com

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Thursday  
6:00 p.m.

**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

**JULY 27**  
Friday  
6:30 p.m.



**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT KAYAK TRIP.** Paddle the Mullica River under a full moon with a bbq after the paddle. Some paddling experience required. Open to all members. Limited space, contact leader to reserve space. Please bring picnic type food to share after paddle. Meet at Bel-Haven Paddle Sport on Rt 543, 12 miles east of Hammonton, Atl. Co. Bring flashlight and whistle. PFD's must be worn. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

**JULY 27**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.



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**JULY 28**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.** Enjoy a paddle on my favorite NJ waterway. We will paddle either from Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton or from the trail-head behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville Park. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp – behind BCCC's Pemberton campus on W. Rancocas Road. This is a great trip for new and novice paddlers. Please contact leader to



confirm trip and participation. Leader: Dave L., Cell 609-784-4066 or Home, 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

**JULY 28**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.

**SOURLAND MOUNTAIN PRESERVE.** 6-8 miles, moderate pace. Near Millstone NJ. Paul has done a great job of scouting and developing a loop hike in this interesting area. NP, FS, NC. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS HIKE.** Directions will be provided: Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012 or BarbnRayHikers@aol.com. Paul Foged 732-988-5273.

**JULY 28**  
Saturday  
7:30 p.m.



**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT HIKE.** 6 miles mod. pace. Enjoy a moonlight hike, under the Buck moon, on sand roads as we listen to the sounds of the summer serenade. Meet in field behind Atsion Office on Rt. 206, between Red Lion circle and Hammonton, Burl. Co. Bring snack type food to share at tailgate social after hike, and a chair or blanket. NC. Pets must be leashed at all times. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 eve. Pis1@cccnj.net Inclement weather cancels.

**JULY 29**  
Sunday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOEING/ KAYAKING SKILLS REFRESHER at LAKE OSWEGO and OSWEGO RIVER.** New and beginning paddlers are welcome. Knowledgeable paddlers from the OCSJ will share information about equipment, safety practices, self-rescue, paddling techniques and efficiencies. Canoes and kayaks can be rented from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental 609-726-1515. [www.pinebarrenscanoe.com](http://www.pinebarrenscanoe.com) Please contact leaders to confirm your participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**JULY 29**  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

**GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER PADDLE.** Penny Pot to Lake Lenape. We stop to enjoy the water, stop for lunch and stop along the way again. Bring water to drink, sunscreen and hat as the lake offers no shelter. Meet at Harley Dawn Diner. Leader: Vicki S., 856-256-9568 or ravingwriter@netzero.com

**JULY 30**  
Monday

**SUNSET & FULL "SUMMER" MOON PADDLING TRIP-6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**-Put-in at First Bridge, Great Bay Boulevard, Tuckerton. Weather Permitting-Paddle in the Great Bay Wildlife Mgmt. Area, featuring "Big Thoroughfare", "Hen's Claw" or Little Egg Harbor Bay. Enjoy a beautiful sunset and the Full "Summer" Moon! This will be a joint trip with the Great Bay Paddlers. Bring a flashlight and/or light stick. This trip is appropriate for all kayaking levels. Rentals are available by reservation (adults only please!): \$30 Single - \$45 Double. Brings "munchies" and "refreshments" for a gathering on our deck or beach after the paddle. Call or e-mail leader to confirm trip a least 2 days prior. Leader: Roger Marcotte, 609-812-0201 cell: 609-412-4137 or e-mail: Rogercotte@comcast.net

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# AUGUST



*"You only live once, but if you work it right, once is enough."*

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**WADING RIVER PADDLE.** See August 3 entry.

**SOCIAL SUNSET KAYAK TRIP.** See August 18 entry.

**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT KAYAK TRIP.** See August 24 entry.

**BALDPATE MOUNTAIN.** See August 25 entry.

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### AUGUST 1

Wednesday

9:00 a.m.



**CANOE/KAYAK CEDAR CREEK.** Enjoy a summer paddle in the amber waters of Cedar Creek from Dover Forge into Lanoka Harbor and to Berkeley Park (12 miles). We'll be geocaching too!! Meet at Double Trouble Park headquarters. Contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

### AUGUST 2

Thursday

6:00 p.m.

**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5-6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

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### AUGUST 5

Sunday

9:30 a.m.

**CANOE THE SOUTHWEST BRANCH OF THE RANCOCAS.** No shuttle trip. Meet at Kirby's Mill. 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

**AUGUST 5**  
Sunday  
10 :00 a.m.

**PADDLE THE MAURICE RIVER.** We will start at Willow Grove Lake and go to Sherman Ave. (long trip). Meet at the Malaga five points Wawa Delsea Drive and Rt. 40. Call or e-mail to confirm. Leader: Vicki S., 856-256-9568 or ravingwriter@netzero.com

**AUGUST 5**  
Sunday  
10 :00 a.m.

**LEADER'S CHOICE PADDLE.** We'll do either the Oswego or the Wading River. Meet at Pine Barrens Canoe Rental 3260 Route 563 Chatsworth, NJ .For rentals call 800- 732-0793. Leader: Art Midouhas, 215-788-7451 after 8:30 p.m.

**AUGUST 8**  
Wednesday  
9:00 a.m.

**PADDLE WITH THE TIDE ON THE CROSSWICKS CREEK/HAMILTON-TRENTON-BORDENTOWN MARSH.** We're paddling from Bordentown to Anchor Thread Park in Hamilton Township. Bring your lunch and beverages. We'll have lunch at the Park and then return to Bordentown. Kayaks over 10 feet are recommended for this 14-mile trip. Please contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**AUGUST 9**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.

**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

**AUGUST 9**  
Thursday  
7:30 p.m.



**CLUB MEETING.** Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill.

**AUGUST 10**  
Friday  
6:00p.m.

**SOCIAL HIKE, DINNER & MOVIE.** 6 miles easy pace. We will hike Cooper River Park, then have a picnic style diner outdoors in the park and then watch an outdoor movie, "Karate Kid". Meet at parking lot next to the Lobster Shack, Park Drive, Cooper River Park, (get there early) one block s. of Rt 70, Merchantville, NJ. Bring picnic type food to share, lawn chair/blanket to sit on. NC/NP. Contact leader for exact meeting location. Need a volunteer to help set up and stay with food during hike. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net Inclement weather cancels.

**AUGUST 10**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com

**AUGUST 11**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.



**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.** The Rancocas Canoe Trail is a pretty waterway year-round. New and novice paddlers are welcome. We will paddle either from Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton or from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville Park. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp – behind BCCC's Pemberton campus on W. Rancocas Road. Contact leader to

confirm trip participation. Leader: Dave L. Cell 609-784-4066 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

**AUGUST 11**  
Saturday  
10:00 a.m.

**ATLANTIC CITY BEACH HIKE.** 9-10 miles. Moderate pace. From Atlantic City to Margate. Hike, swim, gamble, dine, or just spend the day at the shore. Visit the new old Steel Pier. Meet on boardwalk in front of Caesar's Casino. Bad weather cancels. Bring or buy lunch. Dave and Julie Hegelein 856 235-8792.

**AUGUST 11**  
Saturday  
7:30 p.m.



**SOCIAL METEOR SHOWER AND ANNIVERSARY HIKE.** 6 miles moderate pace. Short hike and then watch the Perseid Meteor Shower, a solar system spectacular. Bring snack type food to share at tailgate social after hike, blanket or chair to sit on. NP/NC. Meet in field behind Atsion Office on Rt. 206, between Red Lion Circle and Hammonton, Burl. Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 pis1@cccnj.net

**AUGUST 12**  
Sunday  
8:00 a.m.

**COOPER RIVER PARK AND ADJOINING PARKS.** 6 miles, BRISK PACE. A loop hike. Meet at the National Guard Armory parking lot at North Park Blvd. and Grove Street in Cherry Hill. This meeting place is one block from the intersection of Route 70 and Haddonfield Road / Grove Street. A "get it over early" hike with optional brunch afterwards at the Country Buffet NP, NC, FS. Leaders: Barb&Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012. Mail to: BarbnRayHikers@aol.com

**AUGUST 12**  
Sunday  
9:00 a.m.



**CANOE/KAYAK THE GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER.** Enjoy a long summer paddle on the "egg"! We'll paddle 16+ miles from Penny Pot to Lake Lenape. Meet at the Harley Dawn Diner, Black Horse Pike; arrive early for breakfast. Please contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

**AUGUST 12**  
Sunday  
9:30 a.m.

**MAURICE RIVER OR MENANTICO CREEK.** Call for details. Depending on water levels. Trip's are medium length for intermediate paddler's. You MUST be able to handle your boat and be able to get it over obstructions. Call leader for meeting place. John Kee, 856-691-3047. Taxman56@aol.com Please put OCSJ in all e-mail headers.

**AUGUST 15**  
Wednesday  
8:00 a.m.




**PALMYRA COVE NATURE CENTER.** A 6-7 mile loop hike. Take Route 73 north to the last light before the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge and turn right. Follow the signs to the Nature Center. Visit the Nature Center building after the hike. Meet in the parking lot at the Center. *NOTE EARLY START TIME TO "BEAT THE HEAT". BRISK PACE.* NP, NC, FS. Leaders: Barb&Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012. BarbnRay Hikers@aol.com and Paul Foged, 732-996-1406.

**AUGUST 16**  
Thursday  
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. We paddle about 14 miles to Pleasant Mills. Please contact leaders to confirm trip, logistics and participation. This is a trip for experienced Pines paddlers. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com


**AUGUST 16**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.  
**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

**AUGUST 17**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.  
  
**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.co alison@mikebaker.com

**AUGUST 18**  
Saturday  
10:00 a.m.  
**PRINCETON BATTLEFIELD STATE PARK.** 5 or 10 miles, BRISK PACE. A loop hike with a drop out point for those who wish to do 5 miles. It includes the Princeton Battlefield State Park, the Institute Woods, and the D&R Canal. The park is located on Mercer Road (Princeton Pike) 3.8 miles north from exit 8B of route 95. Bring lunch to eat on the trail. Meet in the parking lot of the Battlefield, NP, FS, NC. Leaders: Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012 or BarbnRay Hikers@aol.com. Paul Foged, 732-988-5273.

**AUGUST 18**  
Saturday  
4:00 p.m.  
**SOCIAL SUNSET KAYAK TRIP.** Meet in the late afternoon and paddle the Mullica River and watch the sun set on the river. We will have a BBQ at the outfitters after the paddle, please bring picnic type food to share. Contact leader to reserve space. Meet at Bel-Haven Paddle Sport, Rt. 542, 12 miles east of Hammonton. PFD's must be worn. NC/NP. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

**AUGUST 19**  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.  
**PADDLE THE MULLICA RIVER.** Meet at Atsion Ranger's Station. Paddle from 206 then thru "Lillypad City" ending at Pleasant Mills takeout. No rentals. Leader: Vicki S., 856-256-9568 or ravingwriter@netzero.com

**AUGUST 22**  
Wednesday  
9:00 a.m.  
  
**CANOE / KAYAK TOMS RIVER.** Follow the route of the Annual Toms River Canoe Race without the competition. Ten miles of changing scenery and river conditions from park and forest to open bay and river. Contact leaders to confirm participation. We will meet at Friendly's on Rt. 37, just past mile post 4, on the East bound side. Come early and join us for breakfast. Bring five quarters for the parking meter at the take out. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com, or Judy Champion, jkchampion@msn.com

**AUGUST 23**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.  
**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5-6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

**AUGUST 24**  
Friday  
6:30 p.m.  
**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT KAYAK TRIP.** Paddle the Mullica River under a full moon with a bbq after the paddle. Some paddling experience required. Open to all members. Limited space, contact leader to reserve space. Please bring picnic type food to share after paddle. Meet at Bel-Haven Paddle Sport on Rt.

542, 12 miles east of Hammonton, Atl. Co. Bring flashlight and whistle. PFD's must be worn. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

**AUGUST 24**

Friday  
7:00 p.m.



**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com  
alison@mikebaker.com

**AUGUST 25**

Saturday

Registration at  
8:30 a.m.  
(Rain Date  
Sunday, Aug. 26)

**SWAT 'N PADDLE KAYAK RACES** – Races for Touring Class, Recreational & Youth. Starting point is First Bridge, Great Bay Blvd., Tuckerton. Sponsored by the Pinelands Watershed Alliance, Great Bay Paddlers & The Jacques Cousteau National Estuarine Research Society. All proceeds to benefit South Jersey Environmental Education Programs & Scholarships. For specifics and registration information go to:

**pinelandswatershedalliance.org**

Pre-Register for reduced fee. For additional information contact Roger Marcotte at: rogercotte@comcast.net

**AUGUST 25**

Saturday  
9:00 a.m.



**CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.** This important New Jersey waterway has its headwaters in the Pinelands and transitions from “cedar waters” to a hardwood forest of tulip poplars, oaks and maples. We will paddle either from Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton or from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville Park. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp – behind BCCC’s Pemberton campus on W. Rancocas Road. There are signs for the trail. Please contact leader to confirm trip participation. Leader: Dave L., Cell 609-784-4066 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

**AUGUST 25**

Saturday  
2:00 p.m.

**GREAT EGG HARBOR RIVER PADDLE.** Weymouth Furnace to Lake Lenape. A late start so leader can sleep in and get her mail. Meet at Weymouth Park. Leader: Vicki S., 856-256-9568 or ravingwriter@netzero.com

**AUGUST 25**

Saturday  
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**BALDPATE MOUNTAIN.** 8-9 miles. Moderate pace. This location, which is the highest point in Mercer County, is within two miles of Washington Crossing Park in New Jersey. Steve Bailey has done a great job of scouting this new area in preparation for this interesting and challenging hike. Bring lunch to eat on the trail. NP, FS, NC. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS HIKE.** Directions and time will be provided: Ray Wittkop, 856-662-4012 or BarbnRayHikers@aol.com. Paul Foged, 732-988-5273, Steve Bailey 609-737-7138 or sbailey@pds.org

**AUGUST 25**

Saturday  
7:30 p.m.



**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT HIKE.** 6 miles moderate pace. Hike dirt roads lit by moonlight in the Pines. Bring swimwear, chair or blanket. Bring snack type food to share at tailgate social after hike. NP/NC. Meet at Lake Oswego parking lot on Lake Oswego Road, off Rt. 563, 8 miles S. of Chadsworth, Burl. Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk 609-462-3593 eve. pis1@cccnj.net  
Inclement weather cancels.

**AUGUST 26**  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

**LEADER'S CHOICE PADDLE.** We'll do either the Oswego or the Wading River. Meet at Pine Barrens Canoe Rental 3260, Rt. 563, Chatsworth, NJ. For rentals call 800-732-0793. Leader: Art Midouhas, 215-788-7451 after 8:30 p.m.

**AUGUST 28**  
Tuesday

**SUNSET & FULL "FRUIT" MOON PADDLING TRIP** 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.-Put-in at First Bridge, Great Bay Blvd., Tuckerton. Weather Permitting-Paddle in the Great Bay Wildlife Mgmt. Area, featuring "Big Thoroughfare", "Hen's Claw" or Little Egg Harbor Bay. Enjoy a beautiful sunset and the Full "Summer" Moon! This will be a joint trip with the Great Bay Paddlers. Bring a flashlight and/or light stick. This trip is appropriate for all kayaking levels. Rentals are available by reservation (adults only please!): \$30 Single - \$45 Double. Brings "munchies" and "refreshments" for a gathering on our deck or beach after the paddle. Call or e-mail leader to confirm trip a least 2 days prior. Leader: Roger Marcotte, 609-812-0201. Cell: 609-412-4137 or e-mail: Rogercotte@comcast.net

**AUGUST 30**  
Thursday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOEING/KAYAKING SKILLS REFRESHER AT LAKE OSWEGO AND OSWEGO RIVER.** New and beginning paddlers are welcome. Knowledgeable paddlers from the OCSJ will share information about equipment, safety practices, self-rescue, paddling techniques and efficiencies. Canoes and kayaks can be rented from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental, 609-726-1515. [www.pinebarrenscanoe.com](http://www.pinebarrenscanoe.com) Please contact leaders to confirm your participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or [Leona@pineypaddlers.com](mailto:Leona@pineypaddlers.com)

**AUGUST 30**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.

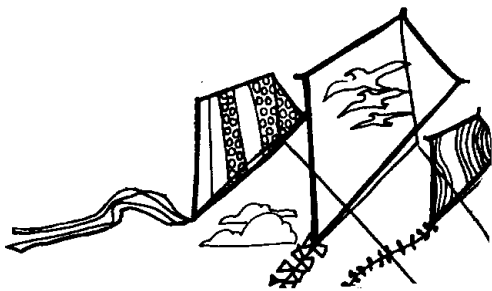
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**AUGUST 31**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.



**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, [mike@mikebaker.com](mailto:mike@mikebaker.com) [alison@mikebaker.com](mailto:alison@mikebaker.com)

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# SEPTEMBER



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## RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINES

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

**MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW FOR ALL X-SKIING AND SNOWSHOEING TRIPS.**

**WADING RIVER PADDLE.** See September 7 entry.

**PADDLE WITH YOUR POOCH.** See September 15 entry.

**ASSATEAQUE ISLAND KAYAK/CAMP TRIP.** See September 21-23 entry.

**CATSKILL BACKPACK - DRY BROOK RIDGE TRAIL.** See September 22-23 entry.

**SUNSET & FULL "HARVEST" MOON PADDLING TRIP.** See September 26 entry.

**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT KAYAK TRIP.** See September 28 entry.


**HIKE CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, VA.** See September 30 entry.

**\*Note various trips require participants to contact leader to confirm participation\***

**CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOU COMPUTER AT (WWW.OCSJ.ORG) OR ON YOUR CELL PHONE AT (W.OCSJ.ORG) \* IF YOU HAVE INTERNET ACCESS) FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.  
CYCLIST JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION.**

**SEPTEMBER 1**  
Saturday  
10:00 a.m.  
**MULLICA RIVER HIKE AND SWIM.** 6-7 miles, moderate pace. We'll dip along the way to keep cool. Wear old swim wear or shorts. Old sneakers or water shoes a must. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet in woods opposite the Pleasant Mills Church off Rt 542, Between Hammonton and Green Bank. Leader: Christine Denneler, 856-461-5379.


**SEPTEMBER 6**  
Wednesday  
10:00 a.m.  
**CANOE/KAYAK THE CROSSWICKS CREEK.** Join us as we paddle the NECC headwaters of the Crosswicks Creek. Jim will be our guide as we paddle from New Egypt and takeout at the historic site of Walnford in Monmouth County. Meet at Tootie's Family Restaurant, Main ST, New Egypt – arrive early for breakfast!! Contact Leona to confirm trip and participation. Leaders: Jim S and George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**SEPTEMBER 6**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.  
 **WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

**SEPTEMBER 7**  
Friday  
9:30 a.m.  
**WADING RIVER PADDLE.** Bring PFD, lunch and water. Spend a few hours on a beautiful, twisty and partially shaded river. Meet at Pine Barrens Canoes, Rt. 563, Chatsworth. Call 1-800-732-0793 to reserve a boat. Rain cancels. Call or e-mail Becky S. if you have questions. quasar@snip.net or 856-218-7725.

**SEPTEMBER 7**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.  
**FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-



- SEPTEMBER 8**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.      **CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK.**  
Enjoy a September paddle on the Rancocas Creek Canoe Trail. We will paddle either from Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton or from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville Park. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp – behind BCCC’s Pemberton campus on W. Rancocas Rd. There are signs for the trail. Please contact leader to confirm trip participation. Leader: Dave L. Cell 609-784-4066 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net
- SEPTEMBER 9**  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.      **CANOE/KAYAK CEDAR CREEK.** It’s George’s b’day!! We’ll eat cake and paddle Cedar Creek from Ore Pond to Dudley Park (7 miles). If you have a GPS bring it to search for caches when we take our breaks. Please contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Meet at Double Trouble Park Headquarters. Leaders George and Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com
- SEPTEMBER 9**  
Sunday  
9:30 a.m.      **LEADER’S CHOICE CANOE/KAYAK TRIP.** Must call leader, between 6 and 10 p.m. M-F or Sat .10 a.m.- 10 p.m., for details and to confirm. Leader: Harry Barok, 856-985-6172.
- SEPTEMBER 11**  
Tuesday  
6:15 p.m.      **AFTER WORK WALKER.** 2.5 to 3 miles, moderate pace. Check the website: [www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org) for details. The location varies. Navigate to: Hiking > Updates for full details. NC, NP. Leader: Tom Neigel. 609-206-3389, or tom-neigel@ocsj.org
- SEPTEMBER 13**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m.      **WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5 – 6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.
- SEPTEMBER 13**   
Thursday  
7:30 p.m.      **CLUB MEETING.** Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill.
- SEPTEMBER 14**  
Friday  
7:00 p.m.      **FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE.** 8-10 miles, fast pace. See July 6 listing for full hike description. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campground. Leaders: Alison & Mile Baker, 609-758-4768, 609-577-9004, mike@mikebaker.com alison@mikebaker.com
- SEPTEMBER 15**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.      **PADDLE WITH YOUR POOCH ON THE OSWEGO RIVER.**  
Fortunato invites his “doggie cousins” to bring their owners on the “Jewel of the Pinelands”. Meet at Lake Oswego and enjoy a 7-mile paddle on one of the most beautiful Pineland rivers. For rentals - Pine Barrens Canoe Rental at: [www.pinebarrenscanoe.com](http://www.pinebarrenscanoe.com) or 609-726-1515. Please call leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

**SEPTEMBER 15**

Saturday

7:30 a.m.

Depart 8:00 a.m.



**BUS TRIP NEW YORK CITY.** New York, New York, that wonderful town. Uptown, mid-town, downtown and don't forget the Festival of San Gennaro. Little Italy's best! We drop you off at South Street Seaport, then pick you up for the return trip home at **7:00 p.m. sharp**. Cost is \$20. Make checks payable to OCSJ and mail to David Hegelein, 603 Bowling Green, Moorestown, NJ 08057. Please include phone number and SASE for confirmation of your reservation. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST! NO REFUNDS!** Bus departs on time, rain or shine, from the big flagpole at Moorestown Mall, off Rt. 38. Leaders: Dave & Julie Hegelein, 856-235-8792 [davehegelein@netzero.net](mailto:davehegelein@netzero.net)

**SEPTEMBER 15**

Saturday

9:45 a.m.

**MONOCACY HILL REVISITED.** 7-8 miles, moderate pace. Revisit the 680' Monocacy Hill, an overlooked Amity Township Park. (Trip in conjunction with the Philadelphia Trail Club (PTC) <http://m.zanger.tripod.com/>. Park provides some decent challenges, mud, rocks, and a few stream splashes. Re-worked to be different from last years A thru Z hike, keeping the awesome 450'+ climb to the top fully intact. Expect 4-5 hours on-trail. Lunch break at the vista on exposed rock. Bring ground clothe and wind protection as conditions demand. Some find hiking poles advantageous. Meet at the Super Wawa, in the middle of US Rt. 422 about 500 yards West of, PA Rt. 662 intersection in Douglassville, PA. Munchies, and restrooms from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. SHARP, then caravan to parking 10 minutes away with ample time to suit up. WF, LP, NC. Leaders: HykyrJoe Maryanski, [Jmaryanski@msn.com](mailto:Jmaryanski@msn.com) 609-929-7489 eves. after 7 p.m. and morning of hike. Joan Foltz. [Rfoltz@aol.com](mailto:Rfoltz@aol.com) 609.335.9675

**SEPTEMBER 16**

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

**JERSEY SHORE HIKE & SWIM.** 6 to 8 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at Olga's Diner at the Marlton Circle – intersection of routes 70 & 73 for departure at 9:00 AM sharp. This is a hike at one of the Jersey shore parks/beaches. Bring lunch, bathing suit, sneakers, boogie board (if so inclined), sunscreen, and bug repellent. Call leader or watch the website ([www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org)) about one week before the hike for meeting place and time at the shore. Leader: Milt Cannan, 856-983-9076.

**SEPTEMBER 16**

Sunday

10:00 a.m.

**SONG OF THE PITCHER PLANT PADDLE ON OSWEGO RIVER.** We meet at Oswego Lake Put-In. Pack Lunch. Call or email to confirm. Leader: Vicki S. 856-256-9568 or [ravingwriter@netzero.com](mailto:ravingwriter@netzero.com)

**SEPTEMBER 19**

Wednesday

10:00 a.m.

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


**SEPTEMBER 20**

Thursday

10:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK THE WADING RIVER.** The Wading is one of the most popular streams in the Pinelands; but we'll have it to ourselves on a weekday. We'll paddle 10 miles from Hawkins Bridge to Beaver Branch. Rentals available from Pine Barrens Canoe Rental at [www.pinebarrenscanoe.com](http://www.pinebarrenscanoe.com). Please contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or [Leona@pineypaddlers.com](mailto:Leona@pineypaddlers.com)

**SEPTEMBER 20**  
Thursday  
6:00 p.m. **WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5-6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or Geofneil@aol.com.

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Friday  
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**SEPTEMBER 21-23**  
Friday-Sunday **ASSATEAQUE ISLAND KAYAK TRIP.** Kayak and camp at the Federal campground on Assateaque Island. We will kayak the back bays and perhaps go out to an island. Downtime to relax, light hiking trails, optional group dinner in town. Contact leader for registration/campground information. Participants will be responsible for their own campsite reservations. Trip will only run with a minimum confirmed group. Leader: Paul Serdiuk 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

**SEPTEMBER 22**  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m. **CANOE/KAYAK THE NORTH BRANCH RANOCAS CREEK.** It's the end of summer and we'll still see turtles sunning on logs and the riverbank. We will paddle either from Greenwood Bridge to Pemberton or from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville Park. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp – behind BCCC's Pemberton campus on W. Rancocas Rd. There are signs for the trail. Please contact leader to confirm trip participation. Leader: Dave L. Cell 609-784-4066 or Home 609-735-9109 or dlynch@dandy.net

**SEPT 22-23**  
Sat. - Sun. **CATSKILL BACKPACK - DRY BROOK RIDGE TRAIL.** 14 miles. An early taste of fall foliage along a mostly ridge top trail. Optional Friday night camping in nearby State Park. See web site for more details Intermediate. Leader: Bruce S., 609-448-4361. bsteidel@aol.com

**SEPTEMBER 23**  
Sunday  
9:30 a.m. **MAURICE RIVER OR MENANTICO CREEK** – Call for details. Depending on water levels. Trip's are medium length for intermediate paddler's. You MUST be able to handle your boat and be able to get it over obstructions. Call leader for Meeting Place. John Kee, 856-691-3047 Taxman56@aol.com. Please put OCSJ is all email headers.

**SEPTEMBER 23**  
Sunday  
10:30 a.m. **OCSJ BYRNE-OUT HIKE & PICNIC AT PAKIM POND.** 5 miles, at an easy to moderate pace. We will only burn-out on fun on this one. A modest hike along the major trails and sandy roads of Byrne State park with several stops. A good one for new and potential members. Instead of lunch, bring snack type food to share at the tailgate party after hike. NP/NC. Meet at Pakim Pond in Byrne State park. Leader: Tom Neigel, 609-206-3389, or tom-neigel@ocsj.org

**SEPTEMBER 23**  
Sunday  
11:00 a.m. **PADDLE WITH THE TIDE ON THE CROSSWICKS/ HAMILTON-TRENTON-BORDENTOWN MARSH.** Celebrate the Autumnal Equinox with a beautiful trip on the Crosswicks where Native Americans thrived more than 10,000 years ago.

We'll have a late lunch at Roebling Park and grill hot dogs. Bring something to share. After lunch we'll hike to Spring Lake and look for Geocaches too!! Please contact leaders to confirm trip. Meet at Bordentown Beach. Leaders: George & Leona F 609-259-3734 or Leona@pineypaddlers.com

**SEPTEMBER 25**

Tuesday  
6:15 p.m.

**AFTER WORK WALKER.** 2.5 to 3 miles, moderate pace. Check the website: [www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org) for details. The location varies. Navigate to: Hiking > Updates for full details. NC, NP. Leader: Tom Neigel. 609-206-3389, or [tom-neigel@ocsj.org](mailto:tom-neigel@ocsj.org)

**SEPTEMBER 26**

Wednesday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOE / KAYAK TOMS RIVER.** Follow the route of the Annual Toms River Canoe Race without the competition. Ten miles of changing scenery and river conditions from park and forest to open bay and river. Contact leaders to confirm participation. We will meet at Friendly's on Rt. 37, just past mile post 4, on the East bound side. Come early and join us for breakfast. **Bring five quarters for the parking meter at the take out.** Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or [mayandpops@aol.com](mailto:mayandpops@aol.com), or Judy Champion [jkchampion@msn.com](mailto:jkchampion@msn.com)

**SEPTEMBER 26**

Wednesday  
10:00 a.m.



**SIXTH ANNUAL CROSS PHILA. WALK.** 8 miles, moderate (3mph) pace. We will walk through interesting neighborhoods, historic places from the Delaware to the Schuylkill plus Univ of Penn and the Art Museum. As in the past we will try something different. Bring Lunch. Meet at the Visitor Center at 6th and Market Sts. in Phila. (NE Corner). Suggest using the PATCO Hi-speed Line. Many of us will leave from the Woodcrest Station @ 9:00am. NP. Leaders: Joe Hummel, 856-235-8817 and Bill Poulson, 856-983-7609.

**SEPTEMBER 26**

Wednesday

**SUNSET & FULL "HARVEST" MOON PADDLING TRIP.** Put-in at First Bridge, Great Bay Blvd., Tuckerton. Weather Permitting. Enjoy a beautiful sunset and the amazing "Harvest Moon". This is also an appropriate evening for "Two-Buck Chuck" to join us for our pleasure after the paddle! Bring munchies and refreshments to enjoy. This will be a joint trip with the Great Bay Paddlers. Bring a flashlight and/or light stick. This trip is appropriate for all kayaking levels. Rentals are available by reservation (adults only please!) \$30 Single -\$40 Double. Call or e-mail leader to conform your attendance at least 2 days prior. Leader: Roger Marcotte, 609-812-0201 – cell: 609-412-4137 or e-mail: [rogercotte@comcast.net](mailto:rogercotte@comcast.net)

**SEPTEMBER 27**

Thursday  
6:00 p.m.



**WHEEL & SPOKE HIKE.** 5-6 miles, moderate to brisk. Stop on the way home for a turn around The Cooper River Park with a spoke up one or the other banks beyond Cuthbert Blvd. Meet at The Cooper River Yacht Club. Rain or flooding on Admiral Wilson Blvd cancels. Contact leader before 8:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Neill, 856-772-6465 or [Geofneil@aol.com](mailto:Geofneil@aol.com).

**SEPTEMBER 28**

Friday  
6:30 p.m.

**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT KAYAK TRIP.** Paddle the Mullica River under a full moon with a bbq after the paddle. Some paddling experience required. Open to all members. Limited space, contact leader to reserve space. Please bring picnic type food to share after paddle. Meet at Bel-Haven Paddle Sport on Rt 543, 12 miles east of Hammonton, Atl. Co. Bring flashlight and

whistle. PFD's must be worn. Leader: Paul Serdiuk, 609-462-3593 evenings only or pis1@cccnj.net

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**SEPTEMBER 29**

Saturday  
7:30 p.m.



**SOCIAL MOONLIGHT HIKE.** 6 miles moderate pace. Hike dirt roads under the Corn Moon lit by moonlight in the Pines. Bring swimwear, chair or blanket. Bring snack type food to share at tailgate social after hike. NP/NC. Meet at Lake Oswego parking lot on Lake Oswego Road. Off Rt. 563, 8 miles S. of Chadsworth, Burl. Co. Leader: Paul Serdiuk 609-462-3593 eve. pis1@cccnj.net Inclement weather cancels.

**SEPTEMBER 30**

Sunday  
9:00 a.m.

**CANOE/KAYAK THE D&R CANAL.** It's the first fall trip of our D&R Canal series as we paddle from Bull Island to Firemens Eddy. We portage at Prallsville Mills and at the Lambertville lock so bring your portage wheels! Please contact leaders to confirm trip participation. Option to dine in Lambertville after the trip. Leaders: George & Leona F., 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com

**SEPTEMBER 30**

Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

**CAN'T BEAT THE BATSTO PADDLE.** Meet at Atsion Ranger's Station on Route 206. We paddle Hampton Furnace to Batsto Village Pond. About 11 miles, an all day trip on what has been called the most remote river of the pine barrens. Pack lunch. Leader: Vicki S. 856-256-9568 or ravingwriter@netzero.com

**SEPTEMBER 30**

Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

**HIKE CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, VA.** 8 to 10 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at the main Visitor's Center near the park entrance (Herbert H. Bateman) at 10:00 AM. This is a leisurely hike to view the abundant wildlife and possibly the famous ponies. Bring sunscreen and bug repellent (mosquitoes and flies can be fierce even at this time of the year). Note: There is a per car entrance fee to the NWR. I expect to be there on vacation. Call a week before (not at the last minute!) or check the web site ([www.ocsj.org](http://www.ocsj.org)) to confirm hike will take place. Hikers must arrange their own carpool(s)/transportation, and accommodations if planning to stay overnight. There are many motels and campgrounds on the island in all price ranges. Extensive information at [www.chincoteague.com](http://www.chincoteague.com). Chincoteague is on VA Rt.175 which is a left turn (when going south) off of Rt.13 shortly after entering VA. Leader: Milt Cannan, 856-983-9076.

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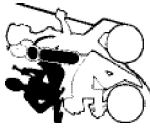
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