

UWC Spring 2024 Hike Schedule

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Meet: Every **Wednesday at 9AM (10AM during cold weather)** at various parks in the area. See meeting place on each hike. See below for abbreviations and park addresses. If schools are closed due to bad weather, **no hiking**.

Bring: Lunch, water, rain protection, hiking boots or sturdy shoes and poles optional.

Transportation: Driving is voluntary, riders pay drivers \$1-\$5 depending on mileage. See amount on each hike.

Alternative Hiking Group: Centre Region Senior Citizens' Hiking Group-Everyone over 50 years of age is welcome to join the group for easy 2-4 mile hikes. Meet on Tuesdays at 9:00 at the Westerly Parkway Shopping Center in State College. Hikes end about noon. Contact the Senior Center at [814-231-3076](tel:814-231-3076)

April 3 - Colyer Lake – Carla Rossi - We will hike the path around Colyer Lake. This is an easy 2.6-mile hike. With those wanting more mileage we can double back for just over 5 miles. Meet at the Lingle Road parking area (197 Lingle Road, Centre Hall).

April 10 – Arch Springs Farm – Linda Morrow - Choice of an easy or difficult hike for 2-5 miles. For the easy hike go to the top of the Arch (short but steep) and come down on the other side and then go on a 2-mile walk around the perimeter of a high field with views. For the difficult hike go to the top of Brush Mountain, about a 1000-ft elevation gain. Meet at Haymarket Park. Carpool donation \$3.

April 17 - Ski Slope – Jennifer Koln - This hike is in Moshannon. Leave from the upper lakeside bathing area for a slight uphill to the ridge overlooking the lake. Following the ridge to the ski lodge for another great view. Then a downhill to the lake and return along the lake side old logging road. This hike is 3.5 miles but more can be added at the lake. Meet at right side of Lowes, garden side. Carpool donation \$3.

April 24 – Peace Chapel Flagpole Hill Trails – Pat Garth - Pat Garthe/Lianne Groshel – Loop hike, 2 miles followed by a walk of 1 to 2 miles into town and Standing Stone Coffee for lunch or snacks. Easy to moderate, mostly grassy trails and sidewalks. Meet at Haymarket Park to organize carpool. \$2.00 carpool donation.

May 1 – Spruce Gap – Lynn Shields - This is a challenging, strenuous, 800' climb up to the fire tower along the Mid-State trail. Everyone can take their time, and we will all wait up at the top until everyone arrives. We will return on the Old Laurel Run Trail, back to the Galbraith lot with a total of about a 4-4.5 mile loop. Meet at the Galbraith Gap Lot. Optional lunch/reward at Angelo's.

May 8 – Lower Rail to Trail (may be switched with May 15 depending on when the wild flowers are blooming) – Lynn Shields – This is an easy out and back hike along a popular ails to trails path to spot trillium, dutchman's britches, etc. for 4-6 miles. We can have lunch at the picnic area at the end of the hike. Meet at Haymarket Park. \$3 carpool donation.

May 15 –Black Moshannon, Airport Loop – Alice Clark - This hike in Black Moshannon is a nearly 6 mile loop that takes in stands of pine trees throughout the hike. 750' is the approximate

elevation gain and there are a series of inclines and declines through this forest trail. Signs of spring's awakening are likely. Meet at the Lowes parking area to carpool. Carpool donation \$3.

May 22 – Standing Stone Trail - Pat Garthe - Out and back, 5 miles. Moderate to difficult with some rocks. Meet at Haymarket Park to organize carpool. \$3.00 carpool donation.

May 29 – Lianne Groshel - Hike up to the ridge along Bald Knob trail then return via the lower trail. About 5 miles, moderately strenuous. Meet at Haymarket Park due to limited parking at the trailhead, \$1.00 carpool donation.

June 5 – Tussey Trail – Lynne Brown - We will follow the Tussey Ridge trail to either the viewpoint of Colyer Lake (about 3 miles) or continue to the Beer Tap (4 miles) depending on the group wishes. Trail has some climbing at the beginning (and on return) until we reach the Kettle Trail. Then the trail has a general soft incline up to the viewpoint and is relatively flat heading for the beer tap. This is a moderate to difficult hike depending on the mileage choice. Meet at Galbraith Gap to carpool to trail head at North Meadows Road. Carpool costs \$1 from Galbraith Gap.

June 12 – Spring Creek Canyon – Darlene Clark - This is an easy out and back hike in Spring Creek Canyon. Mileage is up to the group (2-6 miles). Meet at the Shilo Rd parking area of Spring Creek Canyon.

June 19 – Lonberger Trail – Mary Jane Brune – This is the mountain laurel hike. It is an easy hike of 4 miles. Meet at the Galbraith Gap parking area.

June 26 – Musser Gap – Carla Rossi - This hike is around 3 - 4 miles in length and should take about 2 hours. It will have a steady climb to start (elevation gain approximately 700 feet) and then the opposite descent to return. Part of the trail is gravel (large size, not pea size) and the rest has some areas of loose and exposed rock. This is a moderate hike. Meet at the parking lot at the Musser Gap trailhead – 3260 Shingletown Rd (Rt 45). Carpool cost \$0.

Haymarket Park – 1631 Bristol Ave, State College

Tudek Park – 400 Herman Dr, State College

Spring Creek Park – 151 Spring Creek Lane off of Puddingtown Rd, State College

Galbraith Gap parking area in Rothrock – from 322E, go right on Bear Meadows Rd, past Tussey Ski Area, before the road turns left there is a gravel parking lot on the left.

PA Military Museum – 51 Boal Ave, Boalsburg

Slab Cabin Park – 316 Elmwood St, State College

Lowes – 104 Valley Vista Drive