



- CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the 2022 Cherokee Hiking Club Officers! Check out the Cleveland Daily Banner's recent article!

CHEROKEE HIKING Club officers for 2022 are



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CHEROKEE HIKING Club officers for 2022 are, from left, Rick Harris, webmaster and publicist; Carol Gune, (standing in for Judy Price) newsletter; Jennifer Schroll, treasurer; Jack Callahan, vice president; James Anderson, president; and Jennifer Schroll, installation officer.

The Cherokee Hiking Club has been involved in various hikes during the month of November.

On Nov. 8, members hiked the Black Mountain section of the Cumberland Trail. On Nov. 18-21, nine members backpacked different sections in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Some of the group hiked the Gunter Fork trail to the Laurel Gap shelter, while others hiked the Big Creek Trail and stayed overnight at a shelter. Over the next few days, members continued the hike using the Swallow Fork Trail, hiking on Mount Sterling, and then to Laurel Gap.

The annual Linda Davis Memorial Greenway Hike on the Cleveland Greenway occurred on Nov. 27.

The annual Christmas party and installation of the Cherokee Hiking Club officers will be held on Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Western Sizzlin', 1804 Decatur Pike in Athens. Members and guests who plan to attend need to purchase a \$10 gift for the Santa gift exchange.

For people interested in learning more about the Cherokee Hiking Club, go online at <http://www.CherokeeHikingClub.org> or text the president, James Anderson at 423-715-8824.

CLEVELAND DAILY BANNER

- PAST EVENTS

ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING JANUARY 9, 2022



DISPLAY BOOTH AT WESTMORE CHURCH OF GOD OUTDOOR DINNER JANUARY 21, 2022



WEDNESDAY WALKS ON THE CLEVELAND GREENWAY



THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH BREAKFAST



- UPCOMING EVENTS

NOTE: Event schedule subject to change according to guidance from governmental agencies and offices regarding COVID-19, weather, or other conditions. An email will be sent to members if an event is canceled.

LOOKOUT WILD FILM FESTIVAL

FEBRUARY 4 – 6, 2022 FRIDAY - SUNDAY TIVOLI THEATRE CHATTANOOGA TN

“For over nine years the Lookout Wild Film Festival has brought the best outdoor adventure and conservation films from around the world to Chattanooga for one awesome weekend. Enjoy compelling on-screen stories that celebrate wild places and the people they inspire alongside hundreds of other adventure enthusiasts from around the Southeast.”

MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

FEBRUARY 10, 2022 THURSDAY 6 PM SENIOR CENTER ETOWAH TN

Bring your favorite dish for the potluck dinner. The Club will be furnishing drinks, cups, and plastic eating utensils. The program is Backpacking for Beginners by Jack Callahan, Jennifer Schroll, Sue Robinson and others.

SEQUOYAH BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM

FEBRUARY 12, 2022 SATURDAY VONORE TN

Carpool from Cleveland will meet at Home Depot parking lot on Paul Huff Parkway at 8:30 am. Drive from Cleveland is one hour 20 minutes. After touring the museum, we will eat a late lunch in Vonore. Contact Event Leader Jack Callahan at 423-284-7885.

WALK IN THE WOODS

FEBRUARY 15, 2022 TUESDAY JOHNSTON WOODS MCDONALD TN

Meet at Johnston Woods trail parking lot off Hwy 11S near the former Bachman Home at 10 am. We will walk the 1.2-mile trail first, and then the 2.9-trail for a total of 4.2 miles. Considered easy. Hikers may walk one or both trails as they connect at the parking lot. Contact Hike Leader James Anderson at 423-715-8824.

ROCK CREEK IN LITTLE FROG WILDERNESS

FEBRUARY 19, 2022 SATURDAY

We will meet at Thunder Rock Campground parking lot at 9 am for the quick car shuttle to the trailhead. Approximately eight miles beginning at Rock Creek trailhead on Hwy 64 and returning downhill via the Dry Pond Lead Trail (Benton MacKaye Trail). There is a small stream crossing at Laurel Creek, which is usually easy; but crossing Rock Creek will require fording the cold-water stream. Water shoes and hiking poles for balance are highly recommended. Along the way, there should be great views of the nearby mountains as the trail goes up the side of Panther Knob and into the beautiful Pressley Cove where Rock Creek is encountered. The trail is considered strenuous due to the length of the hike and several moderate climbs. The hike will be canceled in the event of snow/ice on the roads. Contact Hike Leader Randy Morris at 423-650-0485.

LOWRY TOP OVERLOOK**FEBRUARY 24, 2022 THURSDAY**

Meet at the Quinn Springs Picnic Area on Hwy 30 near Reliance, TN, at 9 am. Moderately strenuous eight-mile round-trip utilizing 2.75 miles of Oswald Dome Trail. Requires approximately one mile of bushwhacking. Hike has close to 2000 feet of elevation gain. Contact Hike Leader Jack Callahan at 423-284-7885.

WEDNESDAY WALKS ON THE CLEVELAND GREENWAY

Every Wednesday Jack Callahan leads a 3.75-mile walk on the Cleveland Greenway, meeting at the lower end of the parking lot across from Perkits and the Gondolier restaurant adjacent to Keith Street. Meet time is currently 4:30 pm. A note on the walk is sent out the beginning of each week on Messenger. Contact Jack Callahan at 423-284-7885 if you want to be included in the messages.

THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH BREAKFAST

Join us for conversation over breakfast at 8:30 am at Old Fort Restaurant on 25th Street in Cleveland. For more information, contact Jack Callahan at 423-284-7885.

· **NON-CLUB OPPORTUNITIES**

TELLICO/OCOEE VOLUNTEER TRAIL CREW

Check the Facebook page for future work days.

BENTON MACKAYE TRAIL ASSOCIATION

See the calendar for upcoming events.

As always, go to the specific sponsor web page for more information on these events if you plan on attending.