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Note: When choosing a hike, for your safety and that of your fellow hikers read the hike description and consider your ability. Contact the hike leader if you need more trail detail. If you are concerned about the weather or the cancellation of a hike, contact the hike leader before venturing out.

Not a member? No problem! Just show up ten minutes early for one of our scheduled hikes below and try us out. Call the hike leader if you need more information.

Jul. 01 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Botzum** - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Jul. 01 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Liberty Park Nature Center** - 9999 Liberty Rd. Twinsburg OH 44087 Summit Metro Parks Moderate APT/Gravel/Trails/Hills/Grass/Sidewalks 8 or 5 miles, Gary : 216-777-9307

Jul. 02 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Boston Mills Visitors' Center** - 6947 Riverview Rd. (at Boston Mills Rd) Peninsula OH 44264 CVNP Boston Mills to Brandywine Falls. Towpath, Stanford, and Brandywine Gorge Trails. Moderate Stairs/Steps/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Jul. 02 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd. Akron OH 44313 Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. Summit Metro Parks - APT 5 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Jul. 03 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Bridal Veil Falls** - Gorge Parkway Walton Hills OH 44146 Restrooms before the hike: Coming from Egbert Rd on the east end of Gorge Parkway, use Egbert Rd Picnic Area restrooms. Then it's 1.8 miles to BVF trailhead. From Overlook Lane on the west, use the restroom at the Overlook, then it's one more mile to the BVF trailhead. Bedford Reservation - **Call hike leader for carpooling.** - Moderate - Gravel/APT/Trails/Hills 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Jul. 03 (Fri.) - **10:00 am** - **Mustill Store** - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath Free lunch Friday at the Mustill Store after the hike! - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512

Jul. 04 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Mogadore Reservoir West** - 2578 SR 43 Mogadore OH 44260 Boathouse parking lot on SR 43 (south of I-76) Other - Trails 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Jul. 05 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Furnace Run** - 4955 Townsend Rd. Richfield OH 44286 Summit Metro Parks Gentle Hills - APT/Trails 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Jul. 05 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **H & B at Young Rd.** - 5090 Young Rd. Stow OH 44224 Trailhead on Young Rd. just north of Call Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **May do 4 or 5 miles** - APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Jul. 06 (Mon.) - **8:30 am** - **Judge's Lake** - Across from 400 Ledge Rd. Hinckley OH 44233 Take N. Medina Line Rd or N. Cleveland-Massillon Rd North to Everett Rd. Go west (left - Everett Rd turns into Ledge Rd) or take SR 94 to Ledge Rd. Go East (right) on Ledge. Hinckley Reservation Moderate Hills - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Jul. 06 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 07 (Tue.) - 8:30 am - Station Road Bridge - 15315 Station Rd. Brecksville OH 44141 On Riverview Rd. south of SR 82. Brecksville Reservation Station Rd trailhead; allow 3 hrs for hike. Strenuous Trails/Hills 7 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 07 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - Wilbeth Rd. - 380 W. Wilbeth Rd. Akron OH 44301 Trailhead on Wilbeth Rd. west of S. Main St. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 07 (Tue.) - 4:00 pm - Firestone - 2620 Harrington Rd. Akron OH 44319 Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz. Summit Metro Parks - Trails 3 miles, Bruce : 330-794-1039

Jul. 08 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - Kendall Lake - 1000 Truxell Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 (Kendall Park Rd. becomes Truxell Rd west of State Rd.) CVNP Hike Cross Country, Lake, and short version of Salt Run. Moderate Hills/Stairs/Steps/Trails 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Jul. 08 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - Wolf Creek Trailhead - 33 Snyder Ave Barberton OH 44203 Ohio and Erie Towpath APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 08 (Wed.) - 6:30 pm - F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm - 1828 Smith Road Fairlawn OH 44313 Summit Metro Parks Trails 3 miles, Mike W: 330-864-3593

Jul. 09 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - Hampton Hills - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron OH 44313 Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. Summit Metro Parks - Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Jul. 09 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - Brust Park - 128 N. Main St. Munroe Falls OH 44264 Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91, just north of the river. Summit Metro Parks - APT 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Jul. 10 (Fri.) - 8:30 am - Deep Lock Quarry - 5779 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. south of SR 303 Summit Metro Parks - **Includes Valley Picnic Area.** - - Trails/APT 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 10 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - Deep Lock Quarry - 5779 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. south of SR 303 Summit Metro Parks - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 11 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - Shadow Lake Picnic Area - Hawthorne Prkwy Solon OH 44139 Oh-8/I-271/Exit 23 towards Forbes Rd/Left on Richmond Ed/ Right onto Hawthorne Pkwy. South Chagrin Reservation See a lake, "mountain", stream, and farm. Moderate Grass/Stairs/Steps/APT/Trails/Pavement/Hills/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Gravel 7 miles, Gary : 216-777-9307

Jul. 11 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - Freedom Trail/Middlebury Trailhead - 1324 Middlebury Rd. Kent OH 44240 across the street from Superior Aerial and Equipment Repair. Summit Metro Parks - APT 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Jul. 12 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - Boston Mills Visitors' Center - 6947 Riverview Rd. (at Boston Mills Rd) Peninsula OH 44264 CVNP - APT 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Jul. 12 (Sun.) - 2:00 pm - Memorial Parkway - 499 Memorial Pkwy. Akron OH 44310 Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 13 (Mon.) - 8:30 am - Lock 29/BT - 1648 Mill St Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot behind train station, north side of SR 303 CVNP OEC & Buckeye Trail - APT/Trails/Hills 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 13 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - Lock 29 - 1648 Mill St. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot behind train station, north side of SR 303. CVNP - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 14 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - Look About Lodge - 37374 Miles Rd Bentleyville OH 44022 Rt 91 to Miles Rd. Go east just past Park Lane Rd on left, and turn right into Look About Lodge. South Chagrin Reservation - **Call hike leader for carpooling** - Hike along Chagrin River on BT & Bridle Trails Grass/Trails/Hills/Gravel 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Jul. 14 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - Horseshoe Pond - 2075 Major Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on Major Rd. off Riverview Rd. CVNP - **Join us for a 3 mile option today.** - - Trails 6 or 3 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Jul. 15 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - Oak Hill - 3901 Oak Hill Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Day use parking lot on Oak Hill Rd. north of Everett Rd. CVNP - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Jul. 15 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - H & B at Young Rd. - 5090 Young Rd. Stow OH 44224 Trailhead on Young Rd. just north of Call Rd. Summit Metro Parks - APT 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Jul. 15 (Wed.) - 6:30 pm - Botzum - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath APT 3 miles, Nazy : 330-807-8837

Jul. 16 (Thu.) - 8:30 am - Wetmore - 4653 Wetmore Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Wetmore Rd. is off Akron Peninsula Rd., north of Bolanz Rd. CVNP - **Includes portions of Langes Run.** - - Hills/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Trails 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 16 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - Canal Fulton - 125 Tuscarawas Ave. Canal Fulton OH 44614 Canal Park on SR 93 in Canal Fulton. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512

Jul. 17 (Fri.) - 10:00 am - Mustill Store - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath Free lunch Friday at the Mustill Store after the hike! - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512

Jul. 18 (Sat.) - 8:30 am - Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks - **Includes Dogwood/Nuthatch/Seneca - No dogs** - - Hills/Trails 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 18 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks JT: Jogging Trail - APT 5 miles, Lynn L: 330-606-8471

Jul. 19 (Sun.) - 8:30 am - Tallmadge Meadows - 1088 North Ave. Tallmadge, OH 44278 On SR 91 opposite Northmoreland Ave. Summit Metro Parks - APT/Trails 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 19 (Sun.) - 2:00 pm - H&B at 303 - 64 W. Streetsboro St. Boston Heights OH 44264 Hike and Bike at Rt.303 Trailhead on SR 303 west of Rt. 8 and BP Station. Summit Metro Parks APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Jul. 20 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - Hudson Springs Park - 7095 Stow Rd. Hudson OH 44236 On Stow Rd. north of SR 303. Other Moderate Trails/Gravel/Hills/Grass/Sidewalks/APT 5 miles, Gary : 216-777-9307

Jul. 20 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - Freedom Trail/Tallmadge - 245 Northeast Ave. Tallmadge OH 44278 Lion's Park at end of Lions Park Dr. off of Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge. Summit Metro Parks - APT 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 21 (Tue.) - 8:30 am - Red Lock - 1175 W. Highland Rd. Northfield OH 44067 CVNP Moderate Pavement/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Trails/Gravel/Hills/Grass 6 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Jul. 21 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - Fairview Trailhead - 5 Fairview Ave. Barberton OH 44203 Off E. State St., parking lots on each side of Fairview Ave. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **Scoops after the hike.** - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 22 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - Botzum - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Jul. 22 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - Reagan Park - 550 East Reagan Pky Medina OH 44256 Medina - **Call hike leader for carpooling.** - Hike along mountain bike trails. If rain hike on APT to Medina Lake. Parks/Hills/Grass/APT/Trails 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Jul. 22 (Wed.) - 6:30 pm - Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks APT 3 miles, Nazy : 330-807-8837

Jul. 23 (Thu.) - 8:30 am - Hampton Hills - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron OH 44313 Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. Summit Metro Parks Moderate Trails/Sidewalks/Hills/Pavement/Gravel/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Grass/Stairs/Steps 5 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Jul. 23 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - Vanderhoof - 2445 Vanderhoof Rd. Barberton OH 44203 Trailhead on Vanderhoof Rd. west of Van Buren Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512

Jul. 24 (Fri.) - 8:30 am - Ira Road - 3801 Riverview Rd Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd just north of Ira Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **Includes O'Neil Woods** - - APT/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Trails/Hills 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 24 (Fri.) - 10:00 am - Mustill Store - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath Free lunch Friday at the Mustill Store after the hike! - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512

Jul. 25 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Richfield Woods** - 4100 Broadview Rd Richfield OH 44286 Drive down the driveway to the lower parking lot. Other - **No dogs. Lemonade hike with homemade goodies. Covered shelter.** - Sidewalks/APT/Trails 5 miles, Pam F: 216-650-8832

Jul. 25 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Clinton** - 2749 North St. Clinton OH 44216 On North St. in Clinton west of Van Buren. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 26 (Sun.) - **8:30 am** - **Wetmore** - 4653 Wetmore Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Wetmore Rd. is off Akron Peninsula Rd., north of Bolanz Rd. CVNP - Trails/Hills 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 26 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd. Akron OH 44313 Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 27 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **S. Chagrin Shelterhouse** - Hawthorne Pkwy Bentleyville OH 44022 For GPS: Use Shelterhouse Picnic Area Take SR 8 north/I-271 north/US 422 east (Warren) to SR91. Turn left at exit and drive 1.5 miles north to Hawthorn Parkway. Turn right and follow parkway about 1.3 miles to the Shelterhouse parking lot. South Chagrin Reservation Moderate Stairs/Steps/Grass/Trails/APT/Hills/Creek(s)/Stream(s) 6 miles, Gary : 216-777-9307

Jul. 27 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks JT: Jogging Trail - APT 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Jul. 28 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Hampton Hills** - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron OH 44313 Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. Summit Metro Parks - Hills/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Trails 5 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Jul. 28 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Hunt Farm** - 2045 Bolanz Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264 Parking lot on Bolanz Rd. east of Riverview Rd. CVNP - APT 5 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Jul. 29 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Hiram College Biological Station** - 11305 Wheeler Rd Garrettsville OH 44231 NE Ohio oldest beech maple forest. Other - **NE Ohio oldest beech maple forest.** - Moderate Grass 5 miles, Pat : 330-357-2587

Jul. 29 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Wilbeth Rd.** - 380 W. Wilbeth Rd. Akron OH 44301 Trailhead on Wilbeth Rd. west of S. Main St. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Jul. 30 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Silver Creek** - 5000 Hametown Rd. Norton OH 44203 Off Hametown Rd. north of SR 585, Pheasant Run parking lot. Summit Metro Parks - **Bring a side dish or dessert to share! Hotdogs and soda provided. Come join us for lunch even if you don't hike! We will accommodate hikers doing less miles!** - Hotdog Hike! Grilled hotdogs after in the Pheasant Run Shelter! - 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512

Jul. 30 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Freedom Trail/Tallmadge** - 245 Northeast Ave. Tallmadge OH 44278 Lion's Park at end of Lions Park Dr. off of Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge. Summit Metro Parks APT 6 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Jul. 31 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Mill Creek - Youngstown** - Lanternman's Mill 1001 Canfield Rd. Youngstown OH 44511 Other - **Call hike leader for carpooling.** - Hike along Mill Creek. Park at Lily Pond. Hills/Parks/Grass/Pavement/Trails 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Jul. 31 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Memorial Parkway** - 499 Memorial Pkwy. Akron OH 44310 Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Key: APT = All Purpose Trail, BT = Buckeye Trail, CC= Cuyahoga Challenge, CVNP = Cuyahoga Valley National Park, FHS = Fall Hiking Spree, H&B = Hike & Bike Trail, JT= Jogging Trail, MP = Metro Park, OEC= Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath, SFA = Spree-For-All, TT= Towpath Trek.