



# Footprint

## Akron Metro Parks Hiking Club Newsletter

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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.**

**March 1 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Furnace Run** - 4955 Townsend Rd., Richfield. – Trails, gentle hills, 5 miles, Nan: 216-402-1352

**March 1 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Hunt Farm** - 2045 Bolanz Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264. Parking lot on Bolanz Rd. east of Riverview Rd. - APT, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

**March 2 (Sun.) - 9:30 a.m. - Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd, Peninsula, OH 44264. On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd.- Trails, creek(s), **includes O'Neil Woods**, 6 miles, Nan: 216-402-1352

**March 2 (Sun.) - 2:00 p.m. - H & B at Young Road** - 5090 Young Rd., Stow, OH 44224. Trailhead on Young Rd. just north of Call Rd. - APT, 5 miles, Sue: 330-990-0588

**March 3 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Everett Rd.** - 2370 Everett Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264. Everett Rd. west of Riverview. - Trails/hills, **includes Riding Run/Furnace Run** -, 6 miles, Becky: 419-960-9305

**March 3 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Mustill Store** - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304.- APT, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

**March 4 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Kendall Lake** - 1000 Truxell Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264. On Kendall Rd. west of State Rd. – Cross Country Trail, 5 miles, Karen:330-607-2394

**March 4 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - H & B at 303/Leisure** - 64 W. Streetsboro Rd., Boston Heights, OH 44264. Trailhead on SR 303 west of Rt. 8 and BP Station. - H & B, 4 miles, Roy: 330-434-8450

**March 4 (Tue.) - 4:00 p.m. – Firestone** - 2620 Harrington Rd., Akron, OH 44319. Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz. - Trails, 3 miles, Bruce: 330-794-1039

**March 5 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Hampton Hills** - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron, OH 44313. Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. -Trails, steps, stream(s), 5 miles, Marie: 330-618-4657 (C)

**March 5 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Canal Fulton** - 125 Tuscarawas Ave., Canal Fulton, OH 44614. Canal Park on SR 93 in Canal Fulton - APT, 5 miles, Dean 330-658-2623 (H); 330-690-8589 (C)

**March 6 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Brust Park** - 128 N. Main St., Munroe Falls, OH 44262. Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91, just north of the river. - H & B, 6 miles, Elisabeth: 330-760-3844

**March 6 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Bridal Veil Falls** - Bedford Reservation, Gorge Parkway - Woods, trails, hills. Moderate - 6 miles. Steve 234-716-4910

**March 7 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. - Hinckley** - 1151 Ledge Rd- park in overflow at Ledge Pool & Recreation Area – Trails, Hills, **includes Worden's Ledges** - 6 miles Brenda W: 330-928-3925

**March 7 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. - Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd., Akron, OH 44313. Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. - OEC, 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, SP= State Park, TT= Towpath Trek, VM=Volksmarch,

**March 8 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. Mogadore Reservoir/West** - 2578 SR 43, Mogadore, OH 44260. Boathouse parking lot on SR 43 (south of I-76) -Trails, 5 miles, Elisabeth: 330-760-3844

**March 8 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Wilbeth Rd./Leisure** - 392 W. Wilbeth Rd., Akron, Oh 44301. Trailhead on Wilbeth Rd. west of S. Main St. - OEC, 3 miles, Jim: 330-858-8311

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**March 9 (Sun.) - 9:30 a.m. - Oak Hill** - 3901 Oak Hill Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264. Day use parking lot on Oak Hill Rd. north of Everett Rd. - Trails, hills, 5 miles, Nan: 216-402-1352

**March 9 (Sun.) - 2:00 p.m. – Freedom Trail/ Middlebury Trailhead** - 1324 Middlebury Rd, Kent Oh 44240, across the street from Superior Aerial and Equipment Repair, APT, 6 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

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**March 10 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Deep Lock Quarry** - 5779 Riverview Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264. On Riverview Rd. south of SR 303. - Trails, OEC, **includes Valley Picnic Area**, 5 miles, Kathy: 330-923-2659; (H) 330-604-4869 (C)

**March 10 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Deep Lock Quarry** - APT, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

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**March 11 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Botzum** - 2928 Riverview Rd., Akron, OH 44313. Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. - OEC, 5 miles, Sue: 330-990-0588

**March 11 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Hudson Plaza/Leisure** - 134 W. Streetsboro St., Hudson, OH 44236. Hudson Plaza (near McDonald's) on SR 303 west of SR 91. - Parks/sidewalks, 4 miles, Roy: 330-434-8450

**March 11 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Clinton** - 2749 North St., Clinton, OH 44216. On North St. in Clinton west of Van Buren. - OEC, 5 miles, John: 330-472-3800

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**March 12 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Memorial Parkway** - 499 Memorial Pkwy., Akron, OH 44310. Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. - OEC, 5 miles, Billy:330-968-7898

**March 12 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Blue Hen Falls** - Park at Boston Visitors' Center, 6947 Riverview Rd. (at Boston Mills Rd.) Peninsula, OH 44264 - Trails, hills, steps, 5 miles, Brenda W: 330-928-3925

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**March 13 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Red Lock** - 1175 W. Highland Rd. Northfield, OH, 44067, BT, Trails, APT, **includes Carriage Trail**, 6 miles, Marie: 330-618-4657

**March 13 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Vanderhoof** - 2445 Vanderhoof Rd., Barberton, OH 44203. Trailhead on Vanderhoof Rd. west of Van Buren Rd. - APT, 5 miles, Dean 330-658-2623 (H); 330-690-8589 (C)

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**March 14 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. - Firestone/ Pi(e) Day** - 2620 Harrington Rd., Akron, OH 44319. Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz. - Trails, 5 miles, Billy:330-968-7898

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**March 15 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Freedom Trail/ Middlebury Trailhead** - 1324 Middlebury Rd, Kent Oh 44240, across the street from Superior Aerial and Equipment Repair, APT, 6 miles, Elisabeth: 330-760-3844

**March 15 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Chippewa Creek** - Park on Chippewa Rd just before bridge gate. APT - trails, one steep hill climb. hills, creeks, some off-trail, strenuous - **includes Brecksville Ledges** - 7 miles, Steve: 234-716-4910

**March 15 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Chippewa Creek** - APT, trails, flat, some logs, but easily passable, some off-trail, 3-5 miles, Carol 330-554-8991

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**March 16 Sun.) - 9:30 a.m. - Cascade Valley/Valley View Area** - 1134 Cuyahoga St., Akron OH 44313 - Driveway closest to the silver sculpture in the parking lot - Pavement/trails, **includes Missing Link** , 5 miles, Kathy: 330-923-2659; (H) 330-604-4869 (C)

**March 16 (Sun.) - 2:00 pm. - Brust Park** - 128 N. Main St., Munroe Falls, OH 44262. Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91, just north of the river. - H & B, 6 miles, Sue: 330-990-0588

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**March 17 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Mustill Store** - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304.- APT, 5 miles, Elisabeth: 330-760-3844

**March 17 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Kendall Lake** - 1000 Truxell Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264. On Kendall Rd. west of State Rd. - Trails/hills, **includes Salt Run with Pine Grove option**, 5 or 7 miles, Brenda W.: 330-928-3925

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**March 18 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Portage Lakes** - 5031 Manchester Road, Akron. Park in the lot closest to the bathrooms which are located by taking the first right after pulling into the park - Trails, 5 miles John (330) 472-3800 Shelly (330) 608-6512

**March 18 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - H & B at 303/Leisure** - 64 W. Streetsboro Rd., Boston Heights, OH 44264. Trailhead on SR 303 west of Rt. 8 and BP Station - H&B, 4 miles, Roy: 330-434-8450

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**March 19 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd., Akron, OH 44313. Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. - OEC, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

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**March 20 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Canal Fulton** - 125 Tuscarawas Ave., Canal Fulton, OH 44614. Canal Park on SR 93 in Canal Fulton, APT, 5 miles, Dean 330-658-2623 (H); 330-690-8589 (C)

**March 20 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Jaite Trailhead** - The gravel and dirt parking lot is across the road and just across the tracks from 15630 Vaughn Rd., Brecksville, OH. - Trails/hills, creek(s), steps, 6 miles, Steve 234-716-4910

**March 20 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - H&B in Stow/Wendy's/Leisure**, park behind Wendy's at 5025 Darrow Rd, Stow, OH 44224, APT 4 miles, Roy: 330-434-8450

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**March 21 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. - Lock 29/BT** - 1648 Mill St., Peninsula, OH 44264. Parking lot behind train station, north side of SR 303. - OEC & Buckeye Trail, 6 miles, Kathy: 330-923-2659; (H) 330-604-4869 (C)

**March 21 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. - Lock 29** - OEC, 5 miles, Billy:330-968-7898

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**March 22 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Oak Hill** - 3901 Oak Hill Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264, Day use parking lot on Oak Hill Rd. north of Everett Rd. - Trails/hills, 5 miles, Carla: 216-544-5383.

**March 22 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd, Peninsula, OH 44264. On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd.- OEC, 5 miles, 5 miles, Billy 330-968-7898

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**March 23 (Sun.) - 9:30 a.m. - Tallmadge Meadows** - 1088 North Ave., Tallmadge, OH 44278. On SR 91 opposite Northmoreland Ave. - Trails, APT, 6 miles, Kathy: 330-923-2659; (H) 330-604-4869(C)

**March 23 (Sun.) - 2:00 p.m. - Memorial Parkway** - 499 Memorial Pkwy., Akron, OH 44310. Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. - OEC, 5 miles, Billy:330-968-7898

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**March 24 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Horseshoe Pond** - 2075 Major Rd., Peninsula, OH 44264. Parking lot on Major Rd. off Riverview Rd. - Trails - 6 miles, Elisabeth: 330-760-3844

**March 24 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Wilbeth Rd.** - 392 W. Wilbeth Rd., Akron, Oh 44301. Trailhead on Wilbeth Rd. west of S. Main St. - OEC, 5 miles, Billy 330-968-7898

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**March 25 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Munroe Falls Park/Lake Area** – 521 S River Rd., Munroe Falls, 44262 - APT, Trails, 5 miles, Billy 330-968-7898

**March 25 (Tue.) - 9:30 a.m. - Hudson Plaza/Leisure** - 134 W. Streetsboro St., Hudson, OH 44236. Hudson Plaza (near McDonald's) on SR 303 west of SR 91. - Parks/sidewalks, 4 miles, Roy: 330-434-8450

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**March 26 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Sand Run** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy, Akron, OH 44313. Wadsworth parking area (third area on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) -Trails/hills, creek(s), **includes Schumacher/Valley Link**, 5 miles, Marie: 330-618-4657

**March 26 (Wed.) - 9:30 a.m. - Silver Creek**- 5000 Hametown Rd., Norton, OH 44203. Off Hametown Rd. north of SR 585, Pheasant Run parking lot - Trails, 5 miles, Dean 330-658-2623 (H); 330-690-8589 (C)

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**March 27 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Firestone** - 2620 Harrington Rd., Akron, OH 44319. Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz - Trails, hills, 5 miles, Karen:330-607-2394

**March 27 (Thu.) - 9:30 a.m. - Nimisila Rim** - 4929 Christman Road, Akron. Park at the south end of the Christman Road parking lot near the access road to the boat launch. Hike will include a Fisherman's Trail - APT/trail, 5 miles, John: 330-472-3800, Shelly: 330- 608-6512

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**March 28 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. - Brandywine Falls** - Park at Boston Visitors' Center, 6947 Riverview Rd. (at Boston Mills Rd.) Peninsula, OH 44264 - Trails, hills,5 miles, Brenda W.: 330-928-3925

**March 28 (Fri.) - 9:30 a.m. Brandywine Falls - APT, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898**

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**March 29 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - Brecksville Reservation** – Park at Nature Center, 900 Chippewa Creek Dr., Brecksville OH, 4441 - Trails/hills, *includes Deer Lick and Hemlock Trails*, 5 miles, Carla: 216-544-5383.

**March 29 (Sat.) - 9:30 a.m. - H & B at Young Road** - 5090 Young Rd., Stow, OH 44224. Trailhead on Young Rd. just north of Call Rd. - APT, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

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**March 30 (Sun.) - 9:30 a.m. - Bath Nature Preserve** - 4160 Ira Rd. Akron, OH 44333. - Trails/APT, 5 miles, Kathy: 330-923-2659; (H) 330-604-4869 (C)

**March 30 (Sun.) - 2:00 p.m. - Freedom Trail/Tallmadge** - 245 Northeast Ave. Tallmadge, OH 44278. Lion's Park at end of Lions Park Dr. off of Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge - H & B, 6 miles, Sue: 330-990-0588

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**March 31 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Mogadore Reservoir/East** - 2578 SR 43, Mogadore, OH 44260. Boathouse parking lot on SR 43 (south of I-76) -Trails, 6 miles, Steve: 234-716-4910. Park in rear of lot.

**March 31 (Mon.) - 9:30 a.m. - Botzum** - 2928 Riverview Rd., Akron, OH 44313. Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. - OEC, 5 miles, Billy: 330-968-7898

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