

BVBTC Hike Schedule for April

Participant Guidelines

New hikers are welcome to join the Club's organized hikes. If you need help in how to get to the start of hike or for any other information regarding the hike, feel free to contact the hike leader.

Hike participants must be able to complete the specified length of the hike within their own ability or with help from their own support person within the time allowed.

- 1) All kms. mentioned are according to maps in Edition 29 of **The Bruce Trail Reference**.
- 2) Hike participants are expected to wear sturdy footwear.
- 3) Please arrive 10 minutes before start of hike.
- 4) Always carry I.D. and your health card.
- 5) For spring and summer hikes bring sunscreen, insect repellent and water.
- 6) **Please leave dogs at home.**

Hike Rating System

Terrain (T):

Easy: Mostly flat and good footing
Moderate: Some hills and/or some poor footing
Strenuous: Hilly with steep climbs and some poor footing

Pace (P):

Leisurely: 3 km/hr or less
Medium: 3-4 km/hr
Brisk: 4-5 km/hr
Fast: 5+ km/hr

Soup's On and Potluck

Check schedule listings for for outings that are followed by these friendly get-togethers. Choose to participate in the hike and the 'eats' or just one or the other.

Potluck participants bring a main dish or a salad or a dessert to share (minimum of 6 servings). Participants are asked to bring their own dishes, cutlery, glass and drink of choice. Hosts will provide pre-dinner snacks as well as tea and coffee. **Potlucks will be held even if outing is cancelled.**

*** Three asterisks denotes "Beyond the Beaver Valley" for hikes where we explore other club sections of the Bruce Trail.

Sugar Bush Outing

Sat. Apr. 7

Meet at 1:30 pm at Peter and Tina MacPhail's home (574118 Sideroad 40, West Grey, southwest of Markdale) for a 1 hour walk in their sugar bush ending with a tour of their sugar shack. **Sweet treats to follow. Register with host: Tina MacPhail** tinamacphail@gmail.com.

Wasaga Beach

Wed. Apr. 11

T=Moderate. P=Medium.

Meet at 10:00 am at Tim Horton's, Mosley St. Wasaga Beach (just before the beach) for a 1½ hour outing over the dunes and maybe along the river. A nice dry area for a hike, even in early spring. **Optional lunch to follow. Register with leader: Harold Higdon** 705-422-1916 or higdonh@gmail.com.

Chuck Grant NEW HIKE LEADER!

Mon. Apr. 16

Map 25: T=Moderate (some rocky areas). P=Medium.

Meet at 10:30 am at Metcalfe Rock parking lot near km 27.0 for an 8.9 km loop hike (with views of Pinnacle Rock). **Register with leader: Margaret Yaraskavitch** margyarask@rogers.com or 705 888 7686.

*** Woodford

Wed. Apr. 18

Sydenham Map 30: T=Moderate. P=Medium.

Meet at 10:00 am at km 41.7, roadside parking on St. Vincent/Sydenham Townline for a 7.2 km loop hike taking in both the Woodford Escarpment and Crevice Springs side trails. It should be our chance to see a spring run-off waterfall. **Register with leader: Dennis Knight** 519-538-4729.

Wodehouse Karst

Sun. Apr. 22

Map 26: T= Moderate/Strenuous. P=Medium.

Meet at 1:30 pm at km 74.8 Grey Rd. 30 Bruce Trail parking lot for a car shuttle to km 81.0 and the start of a 6.4 km hike, taking in the

spring run off waters of Wodehouse Karst. **Register with leader:** Glenda Collings gcollings@rogers.com or 519-694-7691.

NEW HIKE ADDED!

East Side of Beaver Valley Falling Water Loop #1

Wed. April 25

Map 26: T=Strenuous. P=Medium.

This is one of two hikes offered by the Sydenham Club to complete the Falling Water loop. Doing the two hikes makes you eligible for the Beaver Valley's multi-hike Falling Water triangle badge.

Meet at 9:00 am at the northeast corner of Home Depot parking lot in Owen Sound, or meet at 9:45 am in the Beaver Valley Ski Club lower parking lot on Grey Rd. 30, east of km 76.5, between the two bridges. The hike will go from Hogg's Falls km 63.2, to km 47.8, then follow the Valley Crossover Side Trail for 1.6 km back to the Beaver Valley Ski Club. **Register with Sydenham hike leader: Bill Snel** 519 470 0584 or w.snel2@gmail.com.

The second hike is May 9 on the west side of the Falling Water loop and will be listed in our May schedule or see the Sydenham Club's Spring Group Hike Schedule at <http://www.sydenhambrucestrail.ca/grouphike.s.html#header3-2v>.

Eugenia

Thurs. April 26

Map 26: T=Moderate. P=Medium.

Meet at 2:00 pm at the home of Ed & Dale Stedman, 194700 Grey Rd 13 near km 50 for a 2 hour hike. **Potluck to follow** at their home. If you wish to drop off any dishes with Dale that require preheating, please arrive a few minutes before the hike starts to do so. **Register with leader and host: Ed and Dale Stedman** dalestedman@gmail.com or 519-924-0264.

Changes to this schedule will be posted on the Beaver Valley Club's website, highlighted in red. Check for updates at beavervalleybrucestrail.org/hikes/april.html