

BVBTC Hike Schedule for September

Participant Guidelines

New hikers are welcome to join the Beaver Valley Bruce Trail 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

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

*** Wed. Sept. 5

Boyne Valley to Enchanted Forest

Dufferin Hi-Land: Map 20: T=Moderate. P=Medium. Meet 10 am at the parking lot at km 29.4 of the Dufferin Hi-Land section on the 1st Line E, just south of Dufferin 17, (N44.148246°, W80.118529°). [See on Google Maps](#). We will then carpool to the start of an 8.8 km hike starting at km 20.6. We will visit several short side trails to lookouts. **Register with leaders:** Bruce King and Val Jones 519-922-2198.

Fri. Sept. 7 Beaver Valley Orchard & Cidery Tour + Hike

Duncan Crevice Caves/Pinnacle Rock: Map 25: T=Moderate. P=Medium. Join us for a hike,

then a tour to learn about the cider making process and to enjoy a tasting! Fee \$4.00. Meet 10 am at the [Duncan Crevice Caves parking lot](#), km 33.3 on the 9th Sideroad near Duncan for a 4.5 km hike in-and-out followed by the tour/tasting. Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy on the Cidery grounds. **Register with leader:** Glenda Collings 519-694-7691 or gcollings@rogers.com.

Sat. Sept. 8 Margaret Paull Side Trail Loop

Map 24: T=Easy. P=Medium. Meet 1:30 pm at the [parking area at the end of 6th Line](#), north of Grey Road 119 at km 13.7 (N44.484137°, W80.386155°) for a 4.5 km loop hike. Learn about the formation of the flowerpots near the trail. **Register with leaders:** Catherine Miller and Cliff Katchaluba 519-924-0660.

Sun. Sept. 9 Kids Hike

South of Sligo: Map 27: T=Easy. P=Leisurely. Meet 2 pm on the [shoulder of Sideroad 16C](#), access from 7th Line only, (N44.437418°, W80.564526°) for a fun kids hike of approximately 2 km (1 to 2 hours) with stops to explore the trail and for nature activities. The hike is geared towards kids ages 4 to 10 and kids must be accompanied by an adult. Hiking boots or running shoes are required. Bring water and a snack. No pets please. **Register in advance with leader:** Tina MacPhail tinamacphail@gmail.com.

*** Tues. Sept. 11 Walters Falls Loop

Sydenham: Map 29: T=Moderate. P=Medium. Meet 10 am at [Walters Falls Inn parking lot](#) km 11.4, (N44.488844°, W80.710927°) for a 5 km loop hike. Optional lunch at the Inn to follow. **Register with leader:** Dale Burgess 519-538-4510 or dalejohnburgess@yahoo.ca.

*** Sat. Sept. 15 Skinner's Bluff/Bruce's Caves

Sydenham: Map 35: T=Moderate. P=Medium. Meet in Meaford at 9 am in the [Meaford Hall parking lot](#), to carpool to Bruce's Caves, Sydenham map km 164.6, near Wiarton. (Alternatively, make arrangements with the hike leader to meet at the trail head.) Hike a 9 km loop to see magnificent views across Colpoys Bay along Skinner's Bluff, returning along the side trails to explore the dramatic Bruce's Caves. Bring lunch and water. **Register with leader:** Margaret Yaraskavitch 705-888-7686. Call or text.

*** Sat. Sept. 22

Boyne Valley

Dufferin Hi-Land: Map 20:

T=Moderate/Strenuous. P=Medium. Meet 9:30 am at the parking lot on the east side of [County Road 19 \(Prince of Wales Road\)](#) south of the southern end of the Prince of Wales Side Trail (N44.100049°, W89.137339°) for a 21 km loop hike of the main trail and the Prince of Wales, Primrose Loop and Oliver Creek side trails. Bring lunch, snacks and sufficient water. **Register with leader:** Maureen McFarland at maureen.mcfarland@gmail.com or 647-918-4180.

NEW HIKE ADDED!

Sat. Sept. 29 Duncan Crevice Caves

Map 25: T=Moderate/Strenuous. P=Medium. Meet 9:30 am at Metcalfe Rock parking on 10th Line near 27.9km. We will hike to the top of Metcalfe Rock and then join the Check Grant side trail and return on the mail trail via Pinnacle Rock enjoying the fall colours. Distance is approximately 10km. Bring snacks and water. **Register with leader:** Ruth Hayworth 416 558 8944 or gar.worth@yahoo.com.

Sun. Sept. 30 Bruce Trail Day! Metcalfe Rock

Map 25: Join us for **free short introductory hikes** at 10 am & 1 pm to help you explore the Bruce Trail and discover the amazing variety of life along the Niagara Escarpment. Enjoy goodies as you learn about our year-round hiking programs, trail maintenance opportunities and what we are doing to establish a conservation corridor from Niagara to Tobermory. The event runs from 9 am to 3 pm.

Visitors to our booth will receive a complimentary seed packet. And you can receive a free copy of the **Bruce Trail Reference: Maps and Trail Guide** with the purchase of a new membership (while supplies last).

Directions to Metcalfe Rock parking lot: 100 m south of where the main trail crosses the 10th Line (N44.416209°, W80.443558°). [See on Google Maps](#).

Check for updates to this schedule at beavervalleybrucestrail.org/hikes/september.html. Click the browser's page reload button to bring up the most recent webpage!

