

Sydenham Bruce Trail Club Hike Schedule: Autumn 2019

WHERE TO MEET:

GXT is the Galaxy Theatre parking lot. Meet in the parking lot at the tall *Galaxy Centre* sign next to the traffic lights.

1020 10th St. W, Owen Sound

MPL is the municipal parking lot by the river on the west side of 1st Ave. E between 7th St. E and 8th St. E.

GSCA is the Grey - Sauble Conservation Authority head office at 237897 Inglis Falls Road. Meet in the parking lot behind the office.

HD is the north east corner of the parking lot at Home Depot on Highway 26 on the east side of Owen Sound.

If you wish to meet at the hike location then you should contact the leader ahead of time to confirm the location.

TERRAIN (T):

Easy: Mostly flat and good footing.

Moderate: Some hills and/or poor footing.

Strenuous: Hilly with steep climbs and some poor footing.

PACE (P):

Leisurely: 3 km/h or less Medium: 3 to 4 km/h

Brisk: 4 to 5 km/h Fast: more than 5 km/h

Map references are from the Bruce Trail Reference edition 29.

CAUTION

Make sure that the described hike is within your fitness level. If you have questions or concerns about the hike then contact the hike leader beforehand.

PETS

Please do not bring pets on the hike unless specified otherwise.

Wednesday September 4

An evening walk in Owen Sound

Meet: 7:00 pm at **MPL**

This series of evening walks will explore various routes within Owen Sound. The walk will last for approximately 2 hours.

P: Leisurely **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: George Govier

For more info. phone 226-664-0922

Saturday September 14

Bayview Escarpment (longer) Loop

Meet: 9 a.m. at **HD**

This hike will follow the main trail and the River Kwai Side Trail through cedar and hardwood forests and colonies of ferns.

There are several lookouts along the escarpment edge with lovely views over Georgian Bay and the Meaford military base. Bring a lunch or snacks and water. 13.2 km (approx. 4 hrs) Map 30

This hike will be shared with the Beaver Valley Club.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Maureen McFarland

For more info call or text 647-918-4180.

Sunday September 15

Sydenham Club's AGM including a Hike & a Potluck Supper

Meet: Walter's Falls Community Centre

Two hikes will be offered beginning at 1:45 p.m. Please arrive at 1:30 to sign waivers and to organize car pools. The hikes will last about 2.5 hrs.. After the hike our club's annual general meeting will take place followed by a pot-luck supper.

Wednesday September 18

An evening walk in Owen Sound

Meet: 7:00 pm at **MPL**

This series of evening walks will explore various routes within Owen Sound. The walk will last for approximately 2 hours.

P: Leisurely **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: George Govier

For more info. phone 226-664-0922

Saturday September 21

Kemble Rock & Wetlands

Meet: 10:00 a.m. at **GXT**

Come and enjoy one of our newer loop hikes. Starting at the corner of Taylor Sideroad and Cole's Sideroad (134.2 on Map 34) we will hike above and below the escarpment including the new trails in Kemble Wetlands. Approx 2.5 hrs.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Carol Mullin

For more info. text/phone 226-787-8804

Saturday September 21

Bike and Hike

Meet: 9 a.m. at 98.3 on Map 32 which is at the corner of Derby Concession 3 and Grey Rd 5 on the south-west side of Owen Sound.

From the meet location we will cycle for 12 km to 82.9 on Map 32 which is the east end of Sideroad 15. We will then hike for 15.4 km back along the main trail to the meet location. Bring your bike, bike lock, water and snacks.

For more info. contact Dave Sykes at dgsykes28@gmail.com.

or Paul at 519-372-7691

P: Medium/Brisk **T:** Moderate

Saturday September 28

Ross McLean Loop

Meet: 10:00 a.m. at **GXT**

Come out and enjoy this loop hike above the escarpment and along the edge of Bass Lake. Map 34 at 131.4

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Carol Mullin

For more info. text/phone 226-787-8804

Thursday October 3

Inglis Falls & Smith's Bush

Meet: 10 a.m. at **GSCA**

This 5.5 km loop hike (2 hrs.) passes through typical Niagara Escarpment terrain and a hardwood forest. Map 32

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Carol Harris

For more info. phone/text 519-374-5910.

Thursday October 10

East Linton, Frank Holley & Ron Savage Side Trails

Meet: 10:00 a.m. at **GXT**

This 8.2 km loop hike will start at the East Linton Side Trail (119.2 on Map 33) and will follow the main trail, the Ron Savage Side Trail and the Frank Holley Side Trail. A variety of terrain features and vegetation will be seen. 2 to 3 hours. Bring water and snacks.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Carol Harris

For more info. phone/text 519-374-5910.

Saturday October 12

Dodds Hill Loop

Meet: 2:00 p.m. at **GXT**

Come and enjoy this 4.5 km hike along the top of the escarpment, through a fissure and a portion of the dolostone outcrop with beautiful views of the islands. The hike will start at approx. 142.0 on Map 34.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Carol Mullin

For more info. text/phone 226-787-8804

Sunday October 13

Clearview/Pines loop

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at **HD**

This 4.6 km loop hike passes through cedar and hardwood forests and includes a beautiful stream valley. Map 31

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Judy Kirsten

For more info. phone 519-794-4079

Wednesday October 16

Hope Bay Loop

Meet: 9:00 a.m. at **GXT**

This 12.6 km hike will follow the main trail and the Rush Cove, Pease and Jackson's Cove Side Trails. Much of the trail is

through forest but where the main trail follows the escarpment there will be great views over Georgian Bay. Bring a lunch and water. Approximately 4-5 hours. Map 37. **P:** Medium **T:** Strenuous
Hike Leader: Maureen McFarland
For more info. call/text 647-918-4180.

Saturday October 19

Bike and Hike

Meet: 9:00 a.m. at 65.0 on Map 31 which is on Irish Block Rd. 0.5 km north of Highway 26.

From the meet location we will bike for 7 km to 45.4 on Map 30 which is on St. Vincent-Sydenham Townline 1.7 km north of Highway 26. After this we will hike back along the main trail for 19.6 km to the meet location. Bring a bike, bike lock, water and snacks.

Hike Leader: Dave Sykes

For more information phone Paul Dixon at 519-372-7691 or email Dave Sykes at dgsykes28@gmail.com.

Sunday October 20

Skinner's Bluff

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at Kemble Arena. This is located on the east side of Kemble Rock Rd approximately 200 m south of Concession 20 in Kemble.

We will carpool from the Kemble Arena parking lot to the start of hike at 156.1 on Map 34. Depending on the group, the hike will take 1.5 to 2 hours and follow the main trail, returning on the Chris Walker side trail. 3 to 4 km.

Please call 519-378-5630 for more information or to confirm attendance.

P: Leisurely **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Danuta Valleau

Thursday October 24

Dawson Road and Ross McLean Side Trails

Meet: 10:00 a.m. at GXT

This 7.6 km hike begins at the west end of Dawson Road, north of Owen Sound, and will follow northwards along the main trail, go around the Ross McLean Side Trail and return. There will be a steep climb at the start as the route ascends the Dawson Road Side Trail. Approx. 2 to 3 hours. Bring snacks and water. Map 34.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Carol Harris

For more info phone/text 519-374-5910.

Sunday October 27

Rural Rocks and Obese Side Trails

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at GXT

Map 35 – Loop hike with a variety of interesting terrain. Distance 4.2 km

P: Leisurely **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Bill Snel

For more information contact w.snel2@gmail.com or (519) 470-0584

Wednesday October 30

Slough of Despond Loop

Meet: 9:00 a.m. at GXT

This 13.5 km hike will follow the main trail and Slough of Despond Side Trail through forest and wetland and along the escarpment. This area is designated as an Area of Natural and Scientific Interest. Bring a lunch or snacks and water. Approximately 4 hours. Map 34. For more information, call or text 647-918-4180.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Maureen McFarland

Sunday November 3

Inglis Falls

Meet: 1:30 p.m. at the Harrison Park restaurant parking lot and car pool to Inglis Falls. We will then hike from Inglis Falls to Harrison Park. Most of this route is downhill. 3 to 4 km

P: Leisurely **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Kathy Middelkoop

For more information text or phone 226-668-6110 or email:

kathy@arranvale.com

Tuesday November 5

Memorial Forest

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at GXT

This 2.9 km/1.5 hr loop hike will follow the Memorial Forest Side Trail to Jones Falls. We will then hike the white trail back to where we started. Map 32.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Franziska Edney

For more info. call 519-371-4321

Sunday November 10

Gap Side Trail to Lindenwood Loop

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at the west end of Concession 14. (125.7 on Map 33)

We will hike from the meeting point & follow the main trail to the Lindenwood Loop and return. This 8 km hike will take about 2.5 to 3 hrs depending on pace. Please call 519-378-5630 for details or to confirm attendance.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Danuta Valleau

Wednesday November 13

Ron Savage, Frank Holley & East Linton Side Trails

Meet: 9:00 a.m. at GXT

This 8 km loop hike follows crevices and passes through mature cedar and hardwood forests. Fossils can be seen in one area on the main trail. Approximately 2 1/2 hours. Map 33.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Maureen McFarland
For more info. call/text 647-918-4180.

Sunday November 17

Silent Valley

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at HD

The trail starts at the north end of 2nd Concession South approx. 1.5 km north of Grey Rd 18, east of Owen Sound. We will follow the Silent Valley Side Trail, the Avalanche Pass Side Trail, the main trail, the Wilson Homestead Side Trail and then return along the Silent Valley Side Trail. 5.6 km/ 2 to 3 hours. If there are icy conditions then the route might change accordingly. Hiking poles are recommended. Map 30.

P: Medium **T:** Strenuous

Hike Leader: Peter Harris

For more info. call/text 519-374-3468.

Saturday November 23

Bayview Escarpment

Meet: 9:00 a.m. at HD

This 9.8 km hike will start at 45.4 on Map 30. We will follow the main trail to 55.2 on Map 30. A short car shuttle will be needed. If a car shuttle can not be arranged then the hike will be 13 km. Bring snacks and water. The hike will probably take 4 hours. Bring hiking poles if icy & also snowshoes if there is enough snow.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Peter Harris

For more info. call/text 519-374-3468.

Tuesday November 26

Woodford Escarpment Loop

Meet: 1:15 p.m. at HD

This is a 3 km (1.5 hr) loop starting in Woodford. We will hike through some crevices, see an old lime kiln and other signs of an old pioneer settlement. Map 30.

P: Medium **T:** Moderate

Hike Leader: Franziska Edney

For more info. call 519-371-4321.