

Hello Muddy Boots Hiking Enthusiasts,

The new year is just ahead of us and your new Muddy Boots hike coordinators are poised to present an exciting array of hikes. Renee Baker, Dee Foster and I, Steve Baker, will be stepping in as the new coordinators. We certainly want to thank Phil Brenner and Kevin Fusco for their great leadership and the beautiful hikes they provided in 2019 as well as their help in our transition to leading Muddy Boots.

This coming year we have tried to select hikes, while still beautiful, are a little closer to home and a bit easier to hike than in the past. We also may add a few games, history and trivia along the way. These 12 hikes are a great introduction to your new home in Tennessee. We will be visiting The Great Smoky Mountain National Park, The Cherokee National Forest, The Cumberland Plateau as well as other great spots you will definitely want to see. As a reminder, hikes are scheduled on the second Monday of each month.

Pencil these into your calendars now:

1/13/20	Halls Bend Trail-aka Boy Scouts Trail- in the Village
2/10/20	East Lakeshore-Glendale Branch Trail
3/9/20	Little River Trail
4/13/20	Metcalf Bottom & Little Brier Trails-aka Walker Sisters
5/11/20	Turtletown Falls Creek Trail
6/8/20	Indian Boundary & Huckleberry Knob Trails
7/13/20	Ijams Nature Center Trails
8/10/20	Benton Falls Trail
9/14/20	Norris Dam-Observation Point Trail
10/12/20	Falls Creek Falls Trail
11/9/20	Middle Prong Trail
12/14/20	Coker Creek Falls Trail

Each month we will send out an email announcement of the next hike. It will include a detailed description of the hike, its' difficulty rating, hike & travel distances and what you should bring and how you should prepare for it.

We also are in need of volunteers to lead hikes. It's easy and we will 'walk' you through the steps necessary to lead a hike! We have many slots remaining for 2020.

Very shortly, I will send out the email announcement of our first hike of 2020—Halls Bend Trail. It's just outside of our village and popular with dog walkers.

Happy Trails,

Steve Baker