OUTDOOR CLUB OF SOUTH JERSEY

TREKKER

2020 Fall Activity Schedule

October/November/December

Trekker

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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey, Inc., is an organization dedicated to providing opportunities for extending the individual's knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of his or her environment through experiences in outdoor activities. The Club offers a twelve month program of activities designed for all ages and levels of ability and interest, and as is feasible with available leadership. The Club is open to all persons regardless of age or place of residence.

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The officers and members of the Board of Trustees actively seek and welcome your comments, suggestions or recommendations towards the fulfillment of our aims and objectives. Our progress and success are dependent upon the quality and effectiveness of our leadership. Your participation in activities, committees, or in programs and projects is solicited. When you have questions, need further clarification, or require additional details, you are welcome to call the pertinent committee chairman.

MEETINGS

Club members are invited to attend the monthly meetings. The Board of Trustees meets each month. See schedule for locations. After the business session, some meetings will feature a program presented by the various activities. Everyone is welcome! Come out and support your representatives.
READ SPECIAL NOTICE BELOW.

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey has transitioned to Wild Apricot for our Membership Management. Please login to ocsj.wildapricot.org to join or see your current information. You can pay online via PayPal. PayPal link will allow you to pay with a credit card whether or not you have a PayPal account. Of course, you may also use your PayPal account if you have one.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The use of checks for membership payment will continue. The new mailing address is P.O. Box 46, Atco, NJ 08004. The Club will no longer send membership cards for new or renewed memberships. We will notify you of expiring membership by E-mail.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS: THE SPRING 2017 TREKKER WAS THE FINAL “MAILED” ISSUE. Changing habits have lead to this decision.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Starting with this Summer Issue Trekker, a printed version will be available at the Print Shop, 908 N White Horse Pike, Stratford, NJ 08084 and other locations TBA. The Trekker will also be available online. We encourage everyone to join the various Club meetup groups.

OCSJ Non-member Participation Policy

1. OCSJ is a member organization. Membership funds pay for insurance and other Club overhead. However, prospective members and guests of OCSJ members may try one regular activity from each of our activity sections without joining. Thereafter they must join to be eligible for the hundreds of activities and events available every year.

2. Participants on trips which charge money must be members of OCSJ, except where the trip is a joint trip** with another club and the participant is a member of that club. Members of OCSJ may bring guests on a day trip charging money. Participants on overnight trips charging money must always be an OCSJ member.

**Joint trips will only be permitted if the other entity has liability insurance. Proof of the coverage must be obtained by the OCSJ leader. Overnight activities, which charge money, require all participants to be OCSJ members.

You will notice that when you click on the Biking, Hiking and Canoeing Schedule pages, you are re-directed to our corresponding meetup sites. Meetup allows leaders to directly manage their activities. Hiking Meetup site: meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/

Bicycling X/C Skiing Meetup site: meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey

Canoeing Meetup site: meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/

Carpooling, ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants and not part of the official Club Activity. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. The choice to participate is yours. Paddlers - During months of Nov. thru March, paddlers must wear wet or dry suits subject to approval of leaders. We would encourage everyone to check our websites for updates. Since trips are posted months in advance changes may occur including additions. Some activities may require limits on participation due to safety concerns and potential participants should RSVP.
1000, 750 and 500 Mile Hiking Club

You should consider joining our Grand Mile Club. Our goal is to walk, jog, hike 1000 miles each calendar year. Get all the details from Jon Peterson at jonpeterson66@gmail.com. We also have 500 and 750 mile clubs. If those better suit you, contact Valerie Danzey at vdanzey1@verizon.net.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE

The hiking trails our club enjoys are available primarily due to the efforts of volunteers, just ordinary people. Among other things, our club helps to maintain the BATONA Trail. If you can help for a morning or afternoon at another time, contact Rosemarie Mason for what needs to be done. You can contact Rosemarie at romason@comcast.net.

JOIN THE 300, 400 & 500 MILE PADDLERS’ CLUBS

Any kayak trip counts with any group or individual.

The miles are sent in first week of January, but the last trip is December 31 of the previous year.

The people who do not make the 300, 400 or 500 miles, but turn in miles will get honorable mention on the website.

For details contact Ericka Blank
powerofpink58@verizon.net or text 856-364-6029.

FOR LEADERS

Leaders should review items under “For Leaders “on the OCSJ Website. They should also review the “Policy and Budget Page “Listed below & under “About Us” on the OCSJ Webpage.

In particular, the Revised Group Activities Policy and the OCSJ Sign-in Waiver Policy.

Sign-in Sheets should be sent to appropriate Activity Chair or individuals designated by them – or Activities coordinator if the event involves more than 1 activity NO LATER THAN EACH CALENDAR QUARTER with few exceptions which are listed on website under “For Leaders”.

PARTICIPATION NOTICE

The Outdoor Club, its officers and leaders, shall not be liable for any injuries, illness, loss or damage to any person or property, as a result of participation in any Club outing. Each participant assumes all risk and liability connected therewith. All persons, MEMBERS ALIKE, are to sign in with the leader at each activity.
SOME STANDARD MEETING PLACES

These are the some of the standard meeting places, but always check the meet up page for the latest up to date meeting spots and maps.

Atsion - Meet in field on east side of Rt. 206 just north of Wharton State Forest Office.

Batsto - Meet at Batsto village parking, off Rt. 542, between Hammonton and Green Bank.

Bullock - Meet on north side of road in Bullock. Turn east from Rt. 72 at railroad bridge 6.5 miles southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. Continue 3.3 miles to the intersection. Turn right, then immediately left, and park.

Byrne Campsites - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) campsite. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile south-east of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Campsite parking is 3.5 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Byrne Office - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) forest office. Turn east off Rt. 72, 1 mile south-east of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Forest office is on the left.

Carranza - Meet at Carranza Memorial parking, 6.7 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road. Cemetery - Meet at cemetery on Rt. 563, 0.6 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth.

D&R Parking - a mile N of Lambertville on Rt. 29, just before the Rt. 202 Bridge. Turn left and drive to the parking.

Evans Bridge - Meet just to the north of Evans Bridge (on east side of Rt. 563), 0.7 miles south of the Rt. 563/Rt. 679 split (about 10 miles south of Chatsworth).

Friendship - Meet at Friendship ruins on Carranza Road, 10 miles SE of Tabernacle.

Harrisville - Meet at Harrisville Pond, on Rt. 679, 1.5 miles south of Rt. 563, between Chatsworth and New Gretna.

Henry Avenue & Walnut Lane parking area, Philadelphia – Take Rt. 76 (Schuylkill Expressway) West to Lincoln Drive, exit #340 A. Turn right at bottom of ramp, cross short bridge and take Ridge Avenue West exit. Proceed to 2nd traffic light and bear right. Go two more lights and bear left. At the next light, turn right onto Walnut Ln. Go to 2nd light and turn left onto Magdalena and a quick left into parking area. Approximately 9 miles from Ben Franklin Bridge.

Jackson - Meet just north of small bridge on Rt. 534 (Jackson Road), 1.7 miles north-east of Atco Raceway.

Lake Absegami - Meet at Lake Absegami parking, Bass River State Forest. Entrance is on Stage Road, 3.4 miles E of Rt. 679 (from the N & W); or 6 miles W of Tuckerton (from the N & E); or 3 miles N of New Gretna (from the S).

Oswego - Meet at Oswego Lake parking, 3.1 miles northeast of Rt. 563 from Jenkins. (Turnoff is 8.4 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth, between Pine Barrens Canoes and Mick’s Canoes).

Pakim Pond - Meet at Pakim Pond parking, Byrne S.F. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile south-east of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Pakim Pond is 2.7 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Skit - Meet at the Skit Branch bridge, 5.2 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road.

Tyler Park - Take 1-95 and get off at exit 49, (Newtown/Yardley) and travel toward Newtown. Continue on the Newtown bypass and turn left into the park at the intersection of Swamp Road. Meet the at the Boat House parking lot.

Wells Mills - Meet at Wells Mills Park, off Rt. 532 (which is 16 miles southeast of the Rt. 70/72 intersection), 3.6 miles northeast of Rt. 72.

Whitesbog - Meet at Whitesbog village parking. Go east on Rt. 70 6.9 miles from Rt.70/72 intersection. Make a sharp left on Lakehurst Road, go 1.3 miles, turn right for the village.
A MESSAGE FROM THE CANOEING/KAYAKING CHAIR

During months of November thru March paddlers must wear wet or dry suits subject to approval of leaders.

Consider becoming a leader. We can offer any help you need. Remember the trips you enjoy are only made possible by those that volunteer as leaders. I want to thank them. When you are on a trip take the time to thank them and consider becoming a leader. Always check the website for current information Hope to see you on the water, Frank Pearce, Hornet71@verizon.net 856-767-2780.

Guidelines:

1- All participants must sign-in
2- PFD’S must be worn. (83% of canoeing fatalities were not wearing a PFD)
3- Stay between leader and sweep.
4- Wear appropriate clothes (Avoid Cotton) dress for water temperatures.
5- Have at least one change of clothing in a water-protected bag with you
6- Flip flops are not appropriate footwear. (No bare feet - 90% of paddling injuries)
7- Flashlight required for evening trips.
8- Whistle is required for Delaware River trips and recommended for all trips.
9- A helmet for whitewater may also be a good investment.
10- Carpooling, ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants and not part of the official Club Activity. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. The choice to participate is yours.
11- You must assess the suitability and condition of your equipment and if a trip is within your abilities.
12- Please leave sufficient driving time to safely arrive.
13- If you have questions, especially if a trip is right for you, call the leader.
14- Check the Website –ocsj.org - for the latest information.
15- Minors (under 18) should be listed on sign-in sheets & parent/guardian sign for them.
16- Leaders have final say on trip participation involving safety concerns.
17- Leaders - if a trip is cancelled please notify the Chair.
18- Leaders - carry a copy of the incident report form. (can be obtained from website)
19- Leaders - send sign-in sheets and any incident reports to Canoe Chair.
20- Leaders must submit (mail/fax) sign-in sheets to the Canoeing/Kayaking Chair in a timely manner.

(Guideline - No later than 2 weeks after quarterly schedule ends.)

A MESSAGE FROM THE CYCLING CHAIR

The cycling calendar and schedule can be found by clicking on the bicycling tab at www.ocsj.org or you can access the biking Meetup directly at www.meetup.com/ outdoor-club-of-south-jersey/

We offer road and trail riding all year long. Road rides are categorized by pace. We have D (10-12 mph), C (12-14 mph), C+ (14-16 mph), B (16-18 mph) and B+/A (18-20+ mph) rides ranging in distance from 15 – 100 miles.

We have easy hybrid rides on trails and towpaths and more aggressive trail riding in the Pine Barrens and other state parks.

Helmets are required on all OCSJ rides and riders should always carry 2 spare tubes, a pump and the tools necessary for minor repairs on the road or trails. Rules of the road, cycling etiquette along with group riding skills can be found by clicking on the bicycling tab on the OCSJ website.

Do you have an idea for a ride or a bike trip? Please consider volunteering to lead rides or trips! We can offer you help getting started. We have a repository of over 230 different routes on our Ride With GPS Club Account that you have access to or you can use your own. Without leaders there are no rides.

Contact Neil Kornhauser at nkornhauser@gmail.com if you have any questions or are interested in becoming a ride leader. See you on the roads and trails!
The OCSJ Follows the Leave No Trace Principles.

Leave No Trace is a national and international program designed to assist outdoor enthusiasts with their decisions about how to reduce their impacts when they hike, camp, picnic, snowshoe, run, bike, hunt, paddle, ride horses, fish, ski or climb.

The program strives to educate all those who enjoy the outdoors about the nature of their recreational impacts as well as techniques to prevent and minimize such impacts.

The Seven Principles

• Plan Ahead and Prepare
• Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
• Dispose of Waste Properly
• Leave What You Find
• Respect Wildlife
• Be Considerate of Other Visitors
• Minimize Campfire Impacts

Volunteer Opportunities

The Club offers all members an opportunity to be a part of, or to create their own outdoor experience or activity. All activities are led by volunteer members. NO volunteers, NO activities. It’s that simple!

You can make a difference. Your volunteer involvement in Club activities is unique and special contributions that play a valuable role in YOUR Club.

PLAN AND LEAD AN ACTIVITY.
HELP TO MAINTAIN THE TRAIL.
PLAN AND LEAD A “LITTER” CLEAN-UP DAY.
HELP THE TRAIL COORDINATOR BUILD A FOOT BRIDGE.
WRITE YOUR LEGISLATORS. A SIMPLE NOTE IN SUPPORT OF TRAILS, BIKE PATHS AND GREENWAYS IS ALL IT TAKES.
CHAIR A COMMITTEE. (See Christmas Party, Officer Nominations, etc.)
PLAN AND LEAD A TOUR TRIP.

Talk to your Activity Committee Chair about what you can volunteer to do to improve YOUR Club.

***MEMBERSHIP& RENEWAL INFORMATION***

1. A notice of expiring membership will be e-mailed to you.
2. If your address has changed, please indicate new e-mail address. If you move, please file a change of address card with us.
3. Keep your membership current. Memberships must be renewed one month prior to March, June, September, and December.

Membership Cards are no longer being issued. You will receive renewal information by e-mail.

The OCSJ Board just voted to use the Wild Apricot System to manage our website and membership. To join or renew your membership, please go to OCSJ.org or OCSJ.wildapricot.org/join-us and follow the links to establish your connection to Wild Apricot. The PayPal link will allow you to pay with a credit card, whether or not you have a PayPal account.

Special Note: You will be able to pay via check or money order. Make check or money order payable to The Outdoor Club of South Jersey, Inc. New mailing address is: P.O. Box 46, Atco, NJ 08004

Individual Member - 1 year for $20  Family Member - 1 year for $25

Gift contributions to the Richard Greve Memorial Fund will be accepted by the Wild Apricot System.
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Canoeing Meetup site:  www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/

October 04

Sunday
10:00 AM

Beach, Sea Wall and Boardwalk
5 to 5.5 mile moderate pace walk to Angle Sea and Hereford Inlet Lighthouse and gardens. Bring snack, beverage and a mask if you want to shop on the boardwalk. The only option for food may be on the boardwalk and I am not sure what will be open. Social distancing required. Leader Jim Robostello 856-332-5697 jimrobo56@gmail.com
Meet at North Wildwood

October 04

Sunday
02:00 PM

Riverton - Riverline Town Walk
Riverton - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town. Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Riverton Riverline Station

October 05

Monday
10:00 AM

Huber Prairie Warbler Preserve North Entrance
8 miles at a moderate pace. Nice combination of woods and roads. Hidden streams, nice surprises. Bring your lunch and liquid. Bring mask etc. Members only, no guests
Leaders Toni 609-903-6775 Jan 609-404-4990
Meet at Huber North Entrance

October 06

Tuesday
09:30 AM

Trail Work Tuesday
We’re baack!!! It’s time to get back to trimming and maintaining the hiking trails our club members enjoy. We will perform about 2 hours of trail work every Tuesday weather permitting. Bring a pen for the sign in sheet, lunch and a beverage and something to sit on. And of course, your loppers!
You must be a paid club member to participate. Social distancing procedures will be followed. Hand sanitizer will be available. No bathroom facilities available this week. We will start with the Purple Trail off Quaker Bridge Rd that someone (ahem) started to trim while everyone else was on the Green Trail. Meet at the Atsion office field at 9:30am. Leader: Ro Mason 609.271.2167 romason@comcast.net
Meet at Atsion Office

October 06

Tuesday
07:30 PM

Moorestown Walks by David Bicking
Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown’s historic streets. This isn’t an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.
Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Moorestown Library

October 10

Saturday
10:00 AM

Burlington Historical Walk
Burlington Historical Walk, 3.5 Miles easy pace

www.ocsj.org
Join me as OCSJ Member Fred Melroy leads us on a tour of Burlington. Walk with us to view of the historical buildings of Burlington with its 300+ years of history.
Leaders David Bicking dbickin@yahoo.com And Fred Melroy
Meet at Burlington Towne Centre

**October 10-12: Hike the Appalachian Trail in New Hampshire**
Finally getting into New Hampshire! This will be the most southern section, from the Connecticut river (VT/NH border) to the Lyme-Dorchester road. Total of 18.1 miles. Climb to the top of Moose Mountain (total climb 1,800 ft) over three days... Not too much elevation gain this time, but next year the fun begins with the Presidents! Hiking south to north, so we'll be staying at the Velvet Rocks Shelter and the Moose Mountain shelters (if you want to look them up on YouTube). Saturday we’ll drive up and hike 3.8 miles to Velvet Rocks shelter. On Sunday we’ll hike 9.5 miles to the Moose Mtn Shelter (this is the big climb day). On Monday, we’ll hike 6.6 miles to the Lyme-Dorchester Road and then head home! Unlimited number of participants. Hike Leader is Kevin Drevik (856) 630-2485 or kdrevik@aol.com. Please email questions to Kevin, or request pack list. As a reminder, the board voted in April 2020 that anyone wanting to go on a overnight backpacking trip must be a member. Please ensure you sign up for membership at OCSJ.org ($20 for individual, $25 for family)

**Riverside - Riverline Town Walk**
3 miles, easy to moderate pace.
Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town.
Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Riverside Riverline State

**Beyond the Bogs**
6-8 miles at a moderate pace. Bring lunch. We will hit the woods and wander around the bogs.
Leaders Toni 609-909-6775 Jan 609-404-4990
Meet at Whites Bogs Road

**Batsto Fire Tower**
Lets try this again, rained out last time. Bring sunglasses and I will bring the sunshine. 5.5 mile moderate pace hike on the Batona trail and back on Bulltown road and Washington pike. Bring snack, beverage and repellent.
Social distancing required. Leader Jim 856-332-5697 jimrobo56@gmail.com
Meet at Batsto Village

**Delanco - Riverline Town Walk**
Delanco - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace.
Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town.
Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Delanco Riverline Station

**2 Night Campout at Bass River State Park**
Reserve your own campsite or just come and hang out. Monday we will play it by ear hike or kayak, or just do what you want.
Tuesday will be hiking. Bring your mask, etc.
Reservations for 2 nights on line at Camping.nj.gov or one night can be made by phone the day of.
Stay both nights or just one, just have fun.
I will be staying in CS 33. You can check in Anytime after 12 noon
Leader Toni 609-903-6775
Club members only
Please remember the 2 tents, 2 cars, six people rule
Meet at Bass River State Forest
October 20  
Tuesday  
10:00 AM  
**Hiking at Bassriver**
Join us at Bassriver for our day hike. 9 miles at a moderate pace.  
Check internet the night before for cancelations or changes.  
Bring your lunch and dress for the weather. We will meet at the Batona trail head just off Stage road and hike to Ives Pond. NO Restrooms, arrived early to sign in. We will leave at 10 sharp, so be there or be square as they used to say...LOL Bring your mask etc. No guests  
Leader Toni 609-903-6775 and Jan 609 404-4990  
**Meet at Batona Trailhead**

October 20  
Tuesday  
10:00 AM  
**Trail Work Tuesday**  
Batona Trail maintenance in the Bass River SF section as some of the trail crew are camping with the club the night before. More info to follow. Leader: romason@comcast.net  
**Meet at Bass River State Forest**

October 20  
Tuesday  
12:00 PM  
**Camping**  
camp after the hike if you want, but one night reservations must be done by phone day of camping.  
**Meet at Bass River State Forest**

October 24  
Saturday  
10:00 AM  
**Medford Historical Walk**  
Medford Historical Walk, 3 miles Easy pace.  
Join me as OCSJ Member Fred Melroy leads us on a tour of Medford.  
Walk will start with a short tour of the Meeting House built in 1814 and meander through the streets of Medford at a leisurely pace for just over 3 miles. Sights will include: The Hicksite Quaker Meeting House on Main Street, three Burial Grounds dating to the 1700’s, passing seven historic homes from the 18th and early 19th century with a short history of each.  
Part of the walk will be along the banks of the Rancocas Creek with leaves hopefully turning in this beautiful downtown.  
Leaders David Bikcing dbickin@yahoo.com And Fred Melroy  
**Meet at Quaker meeting House**

October 24  
Saturday  
02:00 PM  
**Halloween Campout**  
Annual campout with a kayak trip, bike ride and hike with everyone meeting at the group campsite around 4 pm. I am not posting more info until the state parks allow the Bodine campground to reopen hopefully soon. Or we may change the event to Bass River SF. Camping restrictions changing monthly. I will update this event asap Ro Mason romason@comcast.net  
**Meet at Bodine Field, Wharton State Forest**

October 28  
Wednesday  
10:00 AM  
**Hike to the Island.**  
Hike to the Island, 8 miles moderate pace. We’ll hike over sand roads and trails to a favorite lunch spot from the “old days”. Views of the Batsto River . Bring lunch and beverage. Meet in field next to the Atsion Recreation Area office,( Atsion Mansion site). Leaders,Chris Denneler,609-351-2789,cdenneler157@yahoo.com. Pat Burton,609-472-8128,camperpat@aol.com. Check Meetup for changes and cancellation.  
**Meet at Atsion**

October 31  
Saturday  
06:00 PM  
**Halloween Lights of Moorestown**  
HALLOWEEN LIGHTS OF MOORESTOWN. 4 miles, easy pace. We start at the Moorestown Library and search the streets of Moorestown for the most ghoulish holiday displays. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet outside of library entrance.  
**Meet at Moorestown Library**
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Canoeing Meetup site:  www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/

November 01  Batsto River and Village  
Sunday  
10:00 AM  
5 to 5.5 mile moderate pace hike on the Batona trail and Batsto river loop and village. The first two miles of this hike has been burned recently and there is very little cover. Dress for the weather and the elements.  
Bring snack and beverage. Social distancing required. Leader Jim  
856-332-5697 jimrobo56@gmail.com  
Meet at Batsto Village

November 03  Moorestown Walks by David Bicking  
Tuesday  
07:30 PM  
Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown’s historic streets. This isn’t an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.  
Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet at Moorestown Library

November 04  Parker Preserve South Gate  
Wednesday  
10:00 AM  
8-10 miles moderate pace bring lunch. There will be opportunities to leave early from the hike. NC/No radios. Dress for the temps. DO NOT GO TO THE LAKE!!! I will be leaving on time. Bring your mask etc.  
Leader Toni 609-903-6775  
Meet at Franklin Parker Preserve, Speedwell entrance

November 07  Four-Day backpacking trip on the Appalachian Trail in Central Virginia  
Saturday  
01:00 PM  
Strenuous Hike. Come join us as we hike 30 miles over four days in the George Washington National Forest (South of Shenandoah NP). After driving down we’ll start off with a 2.8 mile “warmup” to Harper’s Creek Shelter. On Sunday we’ll go 9.5 miles while climbing Three-Ridge Mtn (2,500 ft climb) - staying at a tent site with water (no shelter or privy). On Monday we’ll “run the ridge” while hiking 12.5 miles to Paul Wolfe shelter, and finish up Tuesday with a 5 mile downhill hike to Rockfish gap before heading home. Should be an interesting hike – but dress warm! As a reminder, the board voted in April 2020 that anyone wanting to go on a overnight backpacking trip must be a member. Please ensure you sign up for membership at OCSJ.org ($20 for individual, $25 for family)  
Hike Leader is Kevin Drevik (856) 630-2485 or kdrevik@aol.com.
November 08  
Beverly/Edgewater Park - Riverline Town Walk  
Beverly/Edgewater Park - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of these historic towns. Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at NJ TRANSIT-Beverly & Edgewater Park

November 11  
6 mile Hike to Goshen Pond  
Bring lunch, beverage and something. like a trash bag to sit on. Mod pace more info. campepat123@aol.com 609 472 8128
Meet at Goshen Pond Camping Area

November 14  
Cascade Falls in Patapsco Valley State Park, MD  
Third try has got to be the charm on this hike. This got cancelled last year, Then cancelled in the spring due to covid...so we’ll get it done this fall! This will be about a 6-7 mile hike that has lots to offer. Waterfalls, hills, rivers, streams, rocks, stream crossings, rock hoping etc. The address listed will get you to the park entrance. Follow the written directions after that (see below) You’ll know you at the parking area when you see the suspended walking bridge. Maryland has some awesome state parks and this one is no different. Clean, well marked trails will lead the way. After the hike, if anyone is interested, we’ll grab a bite to eat at a local establishment and then Guinness has a brewery right up the street from the park. If they’re open, maybe a stop in and a self guided tour and then for those who want, can taste some of the experimental beers being brewed on site. Guinness Blonde is brewed full time there. And a lot of history behind the site that they built on. Definitely worth the stop in and tour!
Leader - Doug Hillebrecht - 856-816-8824 before 9pm

November 15  
Burlington South - Riverline Town Walk  
Burlington South - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace. Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town. Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at NJ TRANSIT-Burlington South

November 17  
White Trail and Brendan Byrne  
Hike the white trail from Pakim pond out to Reeves Bog and back on the white trail about 7 miles. Bring food water lunch on the hike, dress for the weather. Arrive early use the restrooms first than sign in I will be leaving on time. Bring your mask etc.
Leader Toni 609-6775 Jan 609 404 4990
Meet at Pakim Pond

November 18  
Hike to Apple Pie Hill  
Hike to Apple Pie Hill, 9-10 miles, moderate pace. We will go up the Hill by a road less traveled. Return via the Batona Trail. Bring lunch and beverage. Dress for weather. Leashed dogs allowed. Meet at Carranza Memorial parking SE of Tabernacle Off Carranza RD. Leaders Chris Denneler 609-351-2789, cdenneler157@yahoo.com. Pat Burton 609-472-8128, camperpat1230@aol.com. Check Meetup for changes and cancellations.
Meet at Carranza Memorial

November 21  
Double Trouble  
DOUBLE TROUBLE STATE PARK. 4 miles, moderate pace. A leisurely stroll through the woods to see the dam, then back along the mill race to the saw mill and the operating bogs. Meet at main parking lot at Pinewalk-Kesswick Rd and Double Trouble Rd. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Double Trouble State Park
November 22  
Burlington Towne Center - Riverline Town Walk  
Burlington Towne Center - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace.  
Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town.  
Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet at NJ Transit - Burlington Towne Center

November 27  
Wells Mills Huffer and Puffer  
The long time after Thanksgiving Tradition.  
We will get huffing and puffing on the trail for about 5 miles. Come back to the lake for lunch by the dock/cabin. After a 20-25 minute lunch there is another 5 mile hike for those who have not suffered enough.  
Bring lunch but you can leave it in the car. ARRIVE EARLY to use the restroom, this is a big group and a long day I WILL LEAVE PROMPTLY AT 10 AM Bring your mask etc.  
Leader Toni 609-903-6775  
Meet at Wells Mills County Park

November 29  
Roebling - Riverline Town Walk  
Roebling - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace.  
Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town.  
Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet at NJ TRANSIT-Roebling

December 02  
Middle age is the awkward period when Father Timestarts catching up with Mother Nature.

December 02  
CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOUR COMPUTER AT (WWW. OCSJ.ORG) FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.

December 01  
Moorestown Walks by David Bicking  
Moorestown Walks. approx 3 miles. Moderate pace. Different routes through Moorestown’s historic streets. This isn’t an endurance hike or a nature walk. This is a walk on suburban streets and sidewalks to stretch the legs after work on a mid-week night with good company and conversation. Meet At library entrance.  
Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet at Moorestown Library

December 05  
Manasquan Reservoir  
MANASQUAN RESERVOIR HIKE, 5 miles, easy to moderate pace. We will see the panoramic views of the Reservoir from the perimeter trail. Meet outside the Visitor center at the main entrance. Leader: David Bicking, (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet at Manasquan Reservoir

December 06  
Bordentown - Riverline Town Walk  
Bordentown - Riverline Town Walks. 3 miles, easy to moderate pace.  
Meet at the Riverline station, from which we will explore the streets of this historic town.  
Leader: David Bicking (856) 249 - 0886, dbickin@yahoo.com  
Meet at NJ TRANSIT-Bordentown

December 09  
White Trail Brendan T Byrne Part 2  
Shorter then part one, 6 miles at a moderate pace. We will go up to MT Misey and down and
around the bogs. Bring lunch and dress for the weather. NC/NO radios. Bring your mask etc.
Leaders Toni 609-903-6775 and Jan 609-404-4990
Meet at Reeves Bog in BTB state park

December 18
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS OF MOORESTOWN
Friday
06:00 PM
4 miles, easy pace. We start at the Moorestown Library and search the streets of Moorestown for the cheeriest holiday displays. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Moorestown Library

December 19
XMAS TAILGATE /3 HIKES 1 MTN.BIKE RIDE
Saturday
12:30 PM
1st. Hike: 9AM 6-7 miles moderate pace. Leaders, Pat & Bob Burton 609-472-8128, camper-pat1230@aol.com . 2nd. Hike 9:30 AM 6-7 miles moderate pace. Leader Toni, 609-903-6775.
Check Meetup for changes and cancellations. Covid 19 instructions to follow at a later date.
Meet at Brendan T. Byrne State Forest

December 20
Silent Hike at Huber Prairie Wrabler Preserve North Entrance on rte 70
Sunday
10:00 AM
All the holiday hustle and bustle can get to you so let’s go quietly into the woods and refresh ourselves. Bring lunch, and leave your worries behind. Bring something bright to wear.
Leader Toni 609-903-6775 Jan 609-404-4990
I don’t check the web often so call if you have a question
Meet at Michael Huber preserve

December 20
Medford Christmas lights
Sunday
04:30 PM
Medford Christmas Lights. 4 miles. Easy Pace.
Let’s find the festive lights of Medford.
Meet in the parking light of the Shop Rite on Rt 70, just east of Rt 541.
Leader: David Bicking dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at ShopRite Medford

December 26
CHRISTMAS TIME AT SMITHVILLE
Saturday
10:00 AM
CHRISTMAS TIME AT SMITHVILLE. 5 miles, easy pace. A leisurely stroll along the Rancocas creek to Smithville lake and around the mansion. Meet at Smith’s Wood parking lot along Railroad Avenue. Leader: David Bicking, dbickin@yahoo.com
Meet at Historic Smithville Park - Smith Woods

January 01
NEW YEARS DAY HIKE
Friday
10:00 AM
This is an announcement to let you know there will be a New Years day hike. Place and time to be determined. Check Meetup for details. Due to Covid 19 cannot insert details at this time.
8/20/2020
Meet at Online event

January 01
Hike in the New Year! Wells Mills Park
Friday
10:30 AM
A GREAT way to start the New Year. The plan is to hike the entire 8.5 mile Pens Mills Trail depending on conditions. Easy to moderate trail surface of pine and sand, some boardwalks over wet areas, and elevation. Listed as one of the 50 best hikes in New Jersey. We will meet in the parking lot close to the nature center. Dress for the weather & bring snacks & water. For additional info please call or text Roger Lederle at 732-330-6594 or email blideagle39@gmail.com
Meet at 905 Wells Mills Rd
The Outdoor Club of South Jersey is a not for profit organization dedicated to providing opportunities for extending the individual’s awareness, knowledge, appreciation, and enjoyment of the environment through experiences in outdoor activities.

The Club is committed to the wise use, preservation, and respect for the outdoors and its natural beauty.

The Club is made up of people of all ages who are involved with the outdoors. All activities are led by volunteer members. The Club offers all members an opportunity to be a part of or to create their own outdoor experience or activity. The activity in any one schedule represents what the advisory committees and leaders want to do for the general membership. The Club represents a 52 week, year round program of outdoor activities consisting of backpacking, bicycling, camping, canoeing/kayaking, cross country skiing, and hiking.

While most of the activities center around the South Jersey area in nearby state parks and forests, local rural roads, and small rivers of the pine barrens, they have also ranged north to Maine, south to Virginia, and as far west as California.

The individual members’ involvement, efforts, volunteer hours, and special contributions are what make the Outdoor Club of South Jersey unique.

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INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP
☑ $20.00 - 1 year

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP
(Includes children under 18)
☑ $25.00 - 1 year

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Co-Applicant Last Name__________________________
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City, State, Zip________________________________________________________________________
Phone (_________ ) __________________________ Email__________________________

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