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Akron Metro Parks Hiking Club Newsletter

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Note: When choosing a hike, for your safety and that of your fellow hikers read the hike description and consider your ability. Contact the hike leader if you need more trail detail. If you are concerned about the weather or the cancellation of a hike, contact the hike leader before venturing out.

Not a member? No problem! Just show up ten minutes early for one of our scheduled hikes below and try us out. Call the hike leader if you need more information.

Oct. 01 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313

Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks - **C4, Includes**

Dogwood/Nuthatch/Seneca - FHS - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

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APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 02 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - Botzum - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd.

Ohio and Erie Towpath 5 or 3 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

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parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks Moderate

Grass/Stairs/Steps/Sidewalks/Trails/Pavement/Hills/Creek(s)/Stream(s) 6 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Oct. 03 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - Horseshoe Pond - 2075 Major Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on Major Rd. off Riverview

Rd. CVNP - **C3** - Trails 6 miles, Courtney : 330-413-3247

Oct. 03 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - Mustill Store - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath APT 5 miles, Shelly :

330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Oct. 04 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - Wetmore - 4653 Wetmore Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Wetmore Rd. is off Akron Peninsula Rd.,

north of Bolanz Rd. CVNP - **C3** - Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Trails/Hills 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Oct. 04 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - Wilbeth Rd. - 392 W. Wilbeth Rd. Akron OH 44301 Trailhead on Wilbeth Rd. west of S. Main

St. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5** - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 05 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - Brust Park - 128 N. Main St. Munroe Falls OH 44264 Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91,

just north of the river. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Oct. 05 (Sun.) - 2:00 pm - H & B at Young Rd. - 5090 Young Rd. Stow OH 44224 Trailhead on Young Rd. just north of

Call Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Oct. 06 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - Vanderhoof - 2445 Vanderhoof Rd. Barberton OH 44203 Trailhead on Vanderhoof Rd. west

of Van Buren Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5** - APT 5 miles, Colleen : 330 814 2621

Oct. 06 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - Happy Days - 500 W. Streetsboro Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on SR 303 about 1

mile west of Rt. 8 CVNP Happy Days/Ledges Moderate Grass/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Nan : 216-402-1352

Oct. 07 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Hudson Springs Park** - 7095 Stow Rd. Hudson OH 44236 On Stow Rd. north of SR 303. Other - **C1** - - Trails 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 07 (Tue.) - 4:00 pm - **Firestone** - 2620 Harrington Rd. Akron OH 44319 Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz. Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - - Trails 3 miles, Bruce : 330-794-1039

Oct. 08 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd. CVNP Ira Rd/O'Neil Woods Moderate Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Stairs/Steps/Trails/Hills 6 miles, Nan : 216-402-1352

Oct. 08 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd. Akron OH 44313 Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 09 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Clinton** - 2749 North St. Clinton OH 44216. On North St. in Clinton west of Van Buren. Other APT 5 miles, John : 330-472-3800

Oct. 10 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Hemlock Creek Picnic Area** - 14800 Button Road Walton Hills OH 44146 *Take I-77N to exit 153. Turn left (east) on E. Pleasant Valley Rd. Continues on Alexander Rd. Turn left on Canal Rd. Turn right on Tinker's Creek Rd. Continues at stop sign on Button Rd. Bedford Reservation - **Eats and Treats (restaurant) after if you'd like.** - One strenuous hill; mostly flat and rolling, along and above Tinker's Creek in the woods. Strenuous Pavement/Hills/Gravel/Trails/Grass 7 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Oct. 10 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Freedom Trail/Middlebury Trailhead** - 1324 Middlebury Rd. Kent OH 44240 across the street from Superior Aerial and Equipment Repair. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Oct. 11 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Silver Creek** - 5000 Hametown Rd. Norton OH 44203 Off Hametown Rd. north of SR 585, Pheasant Run parking lot. Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - FHS - Trails 5 miles, Colleen : 330 814 2621

Oct. 11 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Judge's Lake** - 400 Ledge Rd. Hinckley OH 44233 Take N. Medina Line Rd or N. Cleveland-Massillon Rd North to Everett Rd. Go west (left - Everett Rd turns into Ledge Rd) or take SR 94 to Ledge Rd. Go East (right) on Ledge. Hinckley Reservation - **C8** - Moderate hills. - Grass/Trails/Pavement/Gravel 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Oct. 12 (Sun.) - 1:30 pm - **Goodyear** - 2077 Newton St. Akron OH 44305 On Newton St. west of SR 91 (rear lot near restrooms). Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - Annual meeting and meal to follow. - Trails/Hills 3 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 13 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Tallmadge Meadows** - 1088 North Ave. Tallmadge, OH 44278 On SR 91 opposite Northmoreland Ave. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - FHS - Trails/APT 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Oct. 13 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Memorial Parkway** - 499 Memorial Pkwy. Akron OH 44310 Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath 5 or 3 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Oct. 14 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Oak Hill** - 3901 Oak Hill Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Day use parking lot on Oak Hill Rd. north of Everett Rd. CVNP - **C3** - - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Karen : 330-607-2394

Oct. 14 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C3** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 15 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Hampton Hills** - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron OH 44313 Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. Summit Metro Parks FHS Hills 5 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Oct. 15 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Wildlife Woods** - 6160 North Locust St. Peninsula OH 44264 Buckeye Trail, Valley Bridle Trail. Akron-Peninsula Rd turns into N. Locust St. at SR 303. Just past 6160 turn left and park. CVNP - **C3, Before hike restrooms at Lock 29.** - - Trails/Hills/Grass/Pavement/Creek(s)/Stream(s) 7 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Oct. 15 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Hunt Farm** - 2045 Bolanz Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264 Parking lot on Bolanz Rd. east of Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C3** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 16 (Thu.) - 9:00 am - **Lock 29** - 1648 Mill St. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot behind train station, north side of SR 303. CVNP - **C3** - Train ride on CVSR from Peninsula Station after the hike. Limited to 36 people - APT 5 or 3 miles, Mike : 330-631-1810 Karen : 330-607-2394

Oct. 17 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Wingfoot State Park** - 993 Goodyear Park Blvd. Mogadore OH 44260 State Parks - **meet in the large parking lot second on the left. Pull in by the Goodyear sign; closest to restrooms and Pine Tree Lodge** - Trails 5 miles, Courtney : 330-413-3247

Oct. 17 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Hampton Hills** - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron OH 44313 Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. Summit Metro Parks FHS Moderate Trails/Hills 5 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Oct. 18 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Furnace Run** - 4955 Townsend Rd. Richfield OH 44286 Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - FHS; gentle hills. - Trails 5 or 3 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Oct. 18 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Shadow Lake Picnic Area** - Hawthorne Prkwy Solon OH 44139 Oh-8/I-271/Exit 23 towards Forbes Rd/Left on Richmond Ed/ Right onto Hawthorne Pkwy. South Chagrin Reservation Lake, BT, Tinker's Creek, Forbes Farm Moderate Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Gravel/Stairs/Steps/Grass/APT/Trails/Pavement/Hills 7 miles, Gary Dolch: 216-777-9307

Oct. 19 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Cascade Valley/Valley View Area** - 1134 Cuyahoga St. Akron OH 44313 Driveway closest to the silver sculpture in the parking lot. Summit Metro Parks - **C4, Includes Missing Link** - FHS - Pavement/Trails 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Oct. 19 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **Wood Hollow Park** - 2121 Barlow Rd Hudson OH 44236 Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - Trails/Grass/Sidewalks/APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Oct. 20 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Firestone** - 2620 Harrington Rd. Akron OH 44319 Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz. Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - - Hills/Trails 5 miles, Karen : 330-607-2394

Oct. 20 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Boston Mills Visitors' Center** - 6947 Riverview Rd. (at Boston Mills Rd) Peninsula OH 44264 CVNP - **C3** - - APT 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Oct. 21 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Hunt Farm** - 2045 Bolanz Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264 Parking lot on Bolanz Rd. east of Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C5** - Hunt Farm to Ira Rd on the Towpath with a side trip on the Hale Farm connector. There is a hill on the connector trail. Leisure Hills/Gravel 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Oct. 21 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Hunt Farm** - 2045 Bolanz Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264 Parking lot on Bolanz Rd. east of Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C3** - - APT 3 miles, Kincaid : 330-815-8308

Oct. 21 (Tue.) - **10:00 am** - **Mill Creek - Youngstown** - Lanternman's Mill 1001 Canfield Rd. Youngstown OH 44511 Other - **C1** - Restrooms available at trailhead. After the hike possible visit to Fellows Riverside Gardens, 123 McKinley Avenue, Youngstown. It is a free public garden located at the northern end of Mill Creek Park and features a landscape of remarkable beauty. It also includes a cafe. For more info go to www.Millcreekmetroparks.org - Gravel/Grass/Pavement/Trails 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Oct. 22 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Happy Days** - 500 W. Streetsboro Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on SR 303 about 1 mile west of Rt. 8 CVNP - **C3, Includes Boston Run.** - - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Oct. 22 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Portage Lakes State Park** - 5031 Manchester Rd. Akron OH 44319 State Parks Trails 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Oct. 23 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Lock 29/BT** - 1648 Mill St Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot behind train station, north side of SR 303 CVNP - **Trails, hills, streams, some off-trail** - Stairway to Heaven Moderate Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Stairs/Steps/Trails/Gravel/Hills 6 miles, Gary Dolch: 216-777-9307

Oct. 23 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **H&B at 303** - 64 W. Streetsboro Rd., Boston Heights OH 44264 Hike and Bike at Rt.303 Trailhead on SR 303 west of Rt. 8 and BP Station. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT/Pavement 5 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Oct. 24 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Botzum** - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Oct. 24 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Richfield Heritage Preserve** - 4374 Broadview Road Richfield OH 44286 Other CIDER HIKE Moderate Trails/Hills 5 miles, Pam F: 216-650-8832

Oct. 25 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Goodyear** - 2077 Newton St. Akron OH 44305 On Newton St. west of SR 91 (rear lot near restrooms). Summit Metro Parks - **FHS** - Moderate Trails/Hills 5 miles, Lynn L: 330-606-8471

Oct. 25 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd. Akron OH 44313 Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 26 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Horseshoe Pond** - 2075 Major Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on Major Rd. off Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C3** - - Trails 6 miles, Colleen : 330 814 2621

Oct. 26 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **Freedom Trail/Tallmadge** - 245 Northeast Ave. Tallmadge OH 44278 Lion's Park at end of Lions Park Dr. off of Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 6 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 27 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks APT 5 or 3 miles, Pamela L: 330-592-5470

Oct. 27 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Chippewa Creek** - Chippewa Creek Drive Brecksville OH 44141 Park on Chippewa Creek Drive just before a gate that will be closed during high water because the creek becomes impassable. Brecksville Reservation - **C8, Includes Brecksville Ledges** - One steep hill climb, strenuous, some off-trail. - APT/Trails/Pavement/Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Grass/Hills/Stairs/Steps 7 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Oct. 28 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Richfield Heritage Preserve** - 4374 Broadview Road Richfield OH 44286 Other - **C1** - - Hills/Trails 5 miles, Karen : 330-607-2394

Oct. 28 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Nimisila Rim** - 4929 Christman Road Akron OH 44319 Park at the south end of the Chrisman Road parking lot near the access road to the boat launch. Other APT/Trails 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Oct. 29 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Kendall Lake** - 1000 Truxell Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Kendall Park Rd. west of State Rd. CVNP - **C3** - We will hike from Kendall Lake to Pine Grove and Ledges. Moderate Hills/Stairs/Steps/Trails 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Oct. 29 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Canal Fulton** - 125 Tuscarawas Ave. Canal Fulton OH 44614 Canal Park on SR 93 in Canal Fulton. Ohio and Erie Towpath APT 5 or 3 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Oct. 30 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Mustill Store** - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Oct. 30 (Thu.) - **10:00 am** - **Atwood Lake from Big Spring Cemetery Trailhead** - HP5V+9X Dellroy OH 44656 Magnolia Road SW (Ohio State Route 542), Monroe Township, Ohio 44656. The trailhead is located on the west side of the cemetery, on Magnolia Road, a short distance south of its intersection with Shop Road NE (Township Road 674). Other We will hike into Atwood lake park. Bring a lunch to eat at the park. Trails/APT/Hills 5 miles, Mike : 330-631-1810 Karen : 330-607-2394

Oct. 31 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Deep Lock Quarry** - 5779 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. south of SR 303 Summit Metro Parks - **C4, Includes Valley Picnic Area.** - Halloween trunk or treat. Coffee/treats. - APT/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

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Key: APT = All Purpose Trail, BT = Buckeye Trail, CC= Cuyahoga Challenge, CVNP = Cuyahoga Valley National Park, FHS = Fall Hiking Spree, H&B = Hike & Bike Trail, JT= Jogging Trail, MP = Metro Park, OEC= Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath, SFA = Spree-For-All, TT= Towpath Trek.