

MEETINGS SCHEDULE: Tuscany Falls Clubhouse, Ballroom, 7 PM

SEPT '18	OCT '18	NOV '18	DEC '18	JAN '19	FEB '19	MAR '19	APR '19
Th 20th	Th 18th	Th 15 th	Th 20th	Th 17 th	Th 21st	Th 21st Elections	Th 18 th

FRIDAY “B” HIKE SCHEDULE

2018-19 FRI	RT DRIVE MILES	LOCATION	AREA	TRAIL	LENGTH & TOTAL ASCENT	DESCRIPTION	RATING
28-Sep	124	Apache Junction	Superstitions	2 nd Water-Black Mesa-Dutchman Loop	9.2 mi, 1300 ft	An interesting loop through scenic Superstition terrain...all trail.	B
5-Oct	220	Prescott	Jerome	Woodchute Trail	9 mi, 900 ft	An interesting hike through a pine forest with views of the San Francisco Peaks.	B-
12-Oct	150	Wickenburg	Hwy 93	Joshua Tree - Central	9.5 mi, 900 ft	An easy bushwhack loop through impressive Joshua Tree groves; opportunity for some easy rock scrambling.	B-
19-Oct	26	West Valley	Skyline Regional Park	Quartz Mine, Tortuga, Javelina Summit, etc.	9.5 mi, 2200 ft	A nearby hike on a new trail with lots of elevation and outstanding views of the West Valley.	B
26-Oct	50	West Valley	Buckeye – Dog Bone Trails	Dog Bone “Batman” Loop	11 mi, 800 ft	A loop hike through some outstanding moonscape rock formations with an opportunity scramble up a few hills.	B
2-Nov	64	Dove Valley	Apache Wash (Phoenix Sonoran Preserve)	Ocotillo/Ridgeback/Sidewinder Loop	9.9 mi, 1500 ft	An interesting loop in North Phoenix with views of Cave Creek and surrounding area.	B
9-Nov	102	East Valley	Usery Mountains	Hawes trails loop	9.5 mi, 1450 ft	An interesting combination of trails with outstanding views of Red Mountain and impressive saguaros...also a great tune-up for Palm Springs.	B
16-Nov		California	Palm Springs	Palm Springs Overnight 11/13 – 11/16		Most “B” hikers are in Palm Springs.	
23-Nov	120	Apache Junction	Superstition Mountains	Broadway Cave plus Monument Canyon	9.5 mi, 1300 ft	A short, steep, rocky hike up to an interesting cave followed by an interesting bushwhack into Monument Canyon.	B
3-Nov	114	Apache Junction	Goldfield Mountains	Hackamore Trailhead to Large Arch	9.7 mi, 1800 ft	A hike to an interesting arch overlooking the scenic Goldfields...mostly trail with easy	B

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						bushwhacking to the arch.	
7-Dec	240	Sedona	Sedona	Coffee Pot loop	9 mi, 1300 ft	A somewhat challenging but scenic climb to the base of the Coffee Pot formation with expansive views below.	B+
14-Dec	106	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Marcus Landslide-Tom’s Thumb Loop	10.6 mi, 2150 ft	A strenuous workout with close-up views of Tom’s Thumb after a climb up the steep East End trail.	B+
21-Dec	98	Tonopah	Saddle Mountain	Saddle Mountain Loop	7 mi, 1300 ft	A short but scenic loop through very impressive terrain...mostly bushwhacking with a steep descent from the saddle.	B-
28-Dec	122	Cave Creek	Blue Wash	Blue Wash Canyons loop	9 mi, 1300 ft	An interesting loop through washes and a couple of easy waterfalls with impressive views of quartz rocks and boulders.	B
4-Jan	26	West Valley	Skyline	Pyrite Summit loop	8.3 mi, 1450 ft	A new trail leading to a summit west of the Chuckwalla Trail...significant climbing but unobstructed views.	B
11-Jan	70	I-17 North	Anthem	Daisy Mountain Loop	7.2 mi, 1600 ft	An interesting hike to two rounded peaks just east of the outlet mall...the first peak requires a strenuous climb and has an American flag on top...all trail but a steep descent from peak 2.	B
18-Jan	94	Cave Creek	Cave Creek Regional Park	Go John-Quartz-Flat Rock-Slate-Jasper Loop	9.6 mi, 1450 ft	An interesting loop through a variety of terrain.	B
25-Jan	98	Tonopah	Saddle Mountain	“Gary’s Canyon”...Inner Canyon of Saddle Mountain	7.5 mi, 1000 ft	A conventional northwest loop with a spur in-and-out into an interesting canyon with high cliffs of “conglomerate”.	B-
1-Feb	100	I-17 North	Black Canyon Trail	Little Pan Loop	10 mi, 1300 ft	A nice hike along and across the Agua Fria River.	B-
8-Feb	30	West Valley	White Tanks	Waddell-Ford-Mesquite-Willow Springs Loop	9.7 mi, 1600 ft	A scenic hike through rugged terrain with a tiny amount of scrambling.	B
15-Feb	24	West Valley	Estrella Foothills	Trails off Elliott Rd.	9 mi, 1100 ft	A nearby hike on newer trails at the north end of the park.	B-
22-Feb	130	I-10 West	Eagletail Mountains	Ben Avery trail	10.7 mi, 1150 ft	A variation of a lollipop which includes Natural Arch (double arch) and petroglyphs near Indian Spring (dry).	B
1-Mar		California	Death Valley	Death Valley Overnight 2/26 – 3/1			

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8-Mar	130	Goldfield Mountains	Northeast	Horns of a Dilemma Ridge	7.5 mi, 1200 ft	A scenic hike up past the Horns of a Dilemma with views of Saguaro and Canyon lakes.	B-
15-Mar	26	West Valley	Estrella Foothills Park	SR-PA-RR-GR-UT-PC-JL Loop	8 mi, 1100 ft	An interesting loop at a nearby area with plenty of steep terrain and an interesting “cairn canyon”.	B-
22-Mar	100	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Brown Mountain-Cathedral Rock-Balanced Rock Loop	10.9 mi, 1825 ft	An interesting loop through the impressive terrain of Brown’s Ranch, including a short spur hike to the top of Brown Mountain.	B
29-Mar	130	Hwy 93-Hwy 89A	Hotshots Memorial State Park	Granite Mountain Hotshots Memorial Trail	7.5 mi, 1825 ft	A strenuous in-and-out hike up and down through rugged terrain to the hotshots memorial site.	B
5-Apr	97	Castle Hot Springs Rd.	Governors Peak-Spring Valley	Governors Peak-Garfias Wash-Spring Valley Loop	10.2 mi, 2000 ft	A chance to practice route-finding skills on this interesting and scenic loop which is 2/3 trail and 1/3 bushwhacking.	B
12-Apr	260	Sedona	Sedona	Bear Mountain + Doe Mesa	7.8 mi, 2800 ft	A challenging but beautiful hike to the top of one of the highest peaks around Sedona, followed by a short hike to the top of the flat-topped Doe Mesa.	B+
19-Apr	130	Apache Junction	Superstition Mountains	Wave Cave plus trail west	9 mi, 1500 ft	A relatively short but steep hike to a cave with an unusual rock formation, followed by additional hiking toward Hieroglyphic Canyon.	B-
26-Apr	60	Phoenix	South Mountain	Holbert-National-Kiwanis Loop	7.9 mi, 1650 ft	A somewhat strenuous loop with great views of Phoenix.	B
3-May	70	Phoenix	Piestewa Peak	Trails 200-202-8A-100-1A-304	6 mi, 1100 ft	A nice hike with views of Paradise Valley and a different angle of Piestewa Peak itself.	B-

New hikes are in bold.