

**Otzinachson Regional Group of the Sierra Club
Edward Abbey Hiking Society
Fall 2008 Outings Schedule**

Saturday, September 20: Chuck Keiper Trail

We will hike the north side of the west end of the CKT, beginning and ending on Route 144, southwest of Renovo. 12 miles, moderate to strenuous. Meet at 9:00 am at the parking lot of the Harvest Moon Restaurant located on Route 220, west of Williamsport. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Catherine McLaughlin/Ed Lawrence. 570-925-5285.

Sunday, September 28: Old Loggers Path

We will hike the southern section of the OLP from Masten Ghost Town to Pleasant Stream Road. 12 miles, moderate to strenuous, with fine views. Meet at 9:00 am at the Steam Valley Restaurant on Rt. 14, just off Rt. 15, north of Williamsport. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Roy Fontaine. 570-220-4707.

Sunday, October 5: R.B. Winter State Park Loop Hike

We will hike the perimeter of R.B. Winter State Park on a variety of trails, including a section of the Mid State Trail. 11 miles, strenuous for length. Bring lunch and water. Meet behind the Lewisburg Post Office at 9:00 am or Halfway Dam parking area along Route 192 at 9:30 am. Leader: Paul Shaw. 570-672-2389. pshaw@ptd.net

Saturday, October 18: Penns Creek Rail Trail Hike

We will hike a 3.5 mile portion of the Mid State Trail following the Penns Creek Rail Trail starting near Cherry Run, hiking through the Paddy Mt. Tunnel, and finishing at Poe Paddy State Park. Easy. Meet behind the Lewisburg Post Office at 11:00 am. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Dave Hafer. 570-523-3107.

Sunday, October 19: Mid State Trail

We will hike the Mid State Trail from School House Road north to Little Pine State Park to Barrens Road. 8 miles, moderate to strenuous. Meet at 9:00 am in the parking lot of the Harvest Moon Restaurant located on Route 220, west of Williamsport. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Catherine Lawrence/Ed Lawrence. 570-925-5285.

Saturday, October 25: Golden Eagle Trail

One of the best hikes in PA with excellent views. Moderate to strenuous, 9 miles. Meet at 9:00 am at the Sovereign Bank parking lot, Southern Avenue between Market and Hastings Streets (Rt. 15) in South Williamsport, or at the trail parking lot at 9:40. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Roy Fontaine. 570-220-4707.

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Sunday, October 26: Gettysburg Battlefield Loop Hike

We will hike the moderate 9-mile Billy Yank Trail that begins on Cemetery Ridge, passes through the Wheatfields and Devils Den, climbs Little Round Top, and follows Picketts Charge before finishing back at Cemetery Ridge. A scenic hike through history. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot on Rt. 15, just north of the intersection with Rt. 11 at 9:00 am. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Paul Shaw. 570-672-2389. pshaw@ptd.net

Sunday, November 9: Loyalsock Trail from Sones Pond to Rt. 220 via the Haystacks

We will hike 6.5 miles, easy to moderate. Meet at 9:30 at the McDonald's in Hughesville. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Roy Fontaine. 570-220-4707.

Sunday, November 16: Blue Marsh Lake Trail System

We will hike a section of the trail system in the Army Corps of Engineers Blue Marsh Lake Recreation Area, located west of Reading. 8 miles, moderate. Meet at 9:00 am at the parking lot of the Elysburg Sheetz, located at the intersection of Routes 487 & 54. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Catherine McLaughlin/Ed Lawrence. 570-925-5285.

Sunday, November 23: Appalachian Trail, Delaware Water Gap

An easy 6-7 mile hike on the AT from Fox Gap (Route 191) to Mt. Minsi, ridge walking on the PA side of the gap, then down. No climbs! Nice views from both sides of the ridge with a nice view of the Delaware Water Gap from Mt. Minsi. Meet at the First Columbia Bank next to the Columbia Mall, Buckhorn Exit 232 off Route 80 at 8:30 am. Bring lunch and water. Leader: David Jansky. 570-988-0544.

Sunday, December 7: Ricketts Glen State Park

Our hiking route will depend on weather conditions. 7 miles, moderate. Meet at 10:00 am in the parking lot of the Ricketts Glen Hotel, located 1 mile east of Red Rock on Route 118. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Catherine McLaughlin/Ed Lawrence. 570-925-5285.