

# November 2022 Hiking Schedule

## (Updates & changes in RED)

Hikers: Please be reminded, 6' social distancing is still suggested.

All hikers are required to have face masks or face coverings available on all hikes. They should be used at the guide's direction in case of accident, emergency, or when social distancing on the trail is not possible.

All hikes meet at the Welcome Center unless otherwise specified in the hike description.

Carpools may be arranged at guides discretion or may be individually arranged by hikers. Hikers must find their own way to the trailhead if carpooling is not prearranged.

Only fully vaccinated hikers may participate in carpools.

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022 Fall SCOV Hiking Club Picnic at Catalina State Park Flycatcher Group Picnic Area 11:30am.**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022 Canada Del Oro Wash Loop [D/4mi/120'/\$2/9am]** Meet at the Equestrian Center in Catalina State Park or arrange carpools among yourselves. Hike the CDO Wash to Rancho de Los Cerros meeting center then return (no bushwhacking required). Byron Wolff, [wolffing5@gmail.com](mailto:wolffing5@gmail.com).

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022 E-Bridle Trail [E/3mi/50'/\$2/9am]** Meet at Sun City at 9am. Start the hike from the picnic area at Catalina State Park, going to the equestrian center, back past the picnic area to the main trailhead and then return to the picnic area for a total of 3 miles. Very little elevation gain. Bob and Leslie Esparza, [rlsuncity@yahoo.com](mailto:rlsuncity@yahoo.com).

**HIKE IS FULL. Tuesday, November 1, 2022 Dripping Springs [D+/4.5 mi/500'/\$2/9am]** Sutherland cutoff to Dripping Springs spur and return .May even be some water showing! Jack Evert, [jackevert439@gmail.com](mailto:jackevert439@gmail.com).

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022 Alamo Canyon [D+/4mi/300'/\$2/9am]** Meet at the Romero Ruin parking lot in Catalina State Park. Pass or day fee required. We will hike the trail on the east side of the canyon to the point where the trail meets Alamo Canyon, then continue to the short distance to the flat rocks. This trail is in fairly good shape, a bit but not too overgrown or eroded. Return via the same route. Limit 15 hikers. Bob Eschrich, 520-825-1482, [HikerBobE@aol.com](mailto:HikerBobE@aol.com).

**Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 3:30 PM Guide Meeting, Desert Oasis – Saguaro room.**

**Thursday, November 3, 2022 Wildflower Ridge Sweetwater Preserve [D/4mi/400'/\$4/7am]**

This is NOT the WW Treatment Plant! Meet behind Welcome Center at 7:00 am for carpool to Tortolita TH and hike this Pima County Park through saguaros/desert landscape with occasional suburban views. Georgene Porter, [gvporter@live.com](mailto:gvporter@live.com).

**Thursday, November 3, 2022 Orientation hike [D/3mi/350'/\$2/7:30am]** Reservation

required. This is a prerequisite hike for joining the SCOV Hiking Club. This hike meets behind the Welcome Center in the parking lot. We will introduce ourselves and then drive to Catalina State Park Equestrian Center. We will hike 1-1/2 miles up the 50 Year Trail and return. State Parks pass required or a \$7 entry fee at the gate. Bring sufficient water, wear sturdy shoes or hiking boots, and if you use walking poles bring them as well. Also a good sun hat. Please contact Gayle Franklin, [cactigal50@gmail.com](mailto:cactigal50@gmail.com) or Cary Roper at [carybayley@gmail.com](mailto:carybayley@gmail.com).

**Friday, November 4, 2022 Big Wash to Oasis [C-/6mi/300'/\$0/8am]** Park at Admin building

and hike 6 miles in loop via Big Wash / Oasis back to admin building. Max Haegele , [43avocet@gmail.com](mailto:43avocet@gmail.com).

**Sunday, November 6, 2022 Parker Canyon Lake [C/5mi/400'/\$12/7am]** The hike begins at

the shore of Parker Canyon Lake, 5400' elevation, on the western side of the Huachuca Mountains near the Mexican border. The trail takes us entirely around the lake and is largely wooded with some sunny open areas. At parking lot, a National Park Pass or self-service fee pass is required. The 100 mile drive outbound traverses through the scenic Empirita Mountains and Canelo Hills. Although the elevation change is small, bring your poles to navigate through occasionally difficult footing along the trail. We'll lunch in a picnic area back at the trailhead. Those that wish may stop to taste wine at Callaghan's Winery on the way home, only 3 miles off the route home. Doug Higgins, [dahiggins@comcast.net](mailto:dahiggins@comcast.net).

**Monday, November 7, 2022 Pima Canyon Dam [C/7mi/1100'/\$2/7am]** Meet at Pima Canyon

trailhead, hike a rocky trail through open areas, then into the trees to cross the stream 11 times to a point near some Indian grinding holes at the first dam. Deb Wehrung, [debwehrung@gmail.com](mailto:debwehrung@gmail.com).

**Monday, November 7, 2022 Full Moon Golf Course Hike [D/3+mi/100'/\$0/7pm]** Meet at

6:45 pm between the golf pro shop and the Views Restaurant. We will walk one of the nine-hole courses under the full moon. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Flashlights are recommended. Judy Maisch, [jam4930@yahoo.com](mailto:jam4930@yahoo.com).

**HIKE IS FULL. Wednesday, November 9, 2022 Ram's Field Pass**

**[C/5mi/700'/\$2/8:00am]** Carpooling required due to shortage of parking at trailhead. Gather at Welcome Center for 8AM departure, ride to trailhead just off CDO Wash and Oracle Rd, hike loop trail to stock tank reservoir, break and return. Jack Evert, [jackevert439@gmail.com](mailto:jackevert439@gmail.com).

**Thursday, November 10, 2022 Wild Burro Canyon Key Exchange [B/11mi/1500'/\$3/8am]**

This hike is a key exchange between groups hiking from Rail-X Road and Dove Mountain Trailhead, using the Wild Burro Trail and Ridgeline Trail. The key exchange will occur midway in the hike. Kurt will lead the group from Rail-X and Ron Brillhart will lead the other group. Part of this hike is on State Trust land. Kurt Schulz, [kurt.james.schulz@gmail.com](mailto:kurt.james.schulz@gmail.com).

**Thursday, November 10, 2022 Cargondera Canyon loop [C/6mi/700'/\$2/8am]** Hike Canyon Loop trail, to Sutherland Trail, snack on the flat rocks in Cargondera Canyon, and return by the same route. Meet in Catalina state park (state park pass required) and start hiking at 8am. Ken Percival [Knmdsunchasers72@gmail.com](mailto:Knmdsunchasers72@gmail.com).

**Friday, November 11, 2022 Oracle State Park Trails [C/5mi./600'/\$5/7:30am]** The American Avenue entrance to OSP is closed, so we can't park there. So, instead, we will hike there and back on the Mariposa Trail from the Oak Woodland parking area. Then we will hike the Bellota Loop and the Windy Ridge Loop. Pass or daily fee required. Limit 12 hikers. Bob Eschrich, 520-825-1482, [HikerBobE@aol.com](mailto:HikerBobE@aol.com).

**Friday, November 11, 2022 Tortolita Loop [C/6mi/300'/\$0/7:30am]** Meet at Desert Oasis parking lot, hike bicycle trails in Tortolita flats and foothills, pass mysterious triangular concrete pillar on return. This hike is on State Trust land. Byron Wolffing, [wolffing5@gmail.com](mailto:wolffing5@gmail.com).

**Saturday, November 12, 2022 Brown Mountain Loop [C/5mi/700/\$6/7am]** Meet behind Welcome Center to carpool to Juan Santa Cruz picnic area in the Tucson Mountains near Arizona Sonora Desert Museum. First hike trail adjacent to the mountain then up rocky trails to follow its ridge line, stopping for snacks/water and great views. Georgene Porter, [gvporter@live.com](mailto:gvporter@live.com).

**Monday, November 14, 2022 Fifty-Year Trail "In and out" [C/6mi/600'/\$2/8am]** An easy hike along an old jeep road leaving from the Catalina State Park Equestrian Center to park gate and return. Jack Evert, [jackevert439@gmail.com](mailto:jackevert439@gmail.com).

**Monday, November 14, 2022 Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness West [C+/8mi/200'/\$9/7:30am]** Hopefully Peak Autumn Color After hiking through a lush riparian section, we enter a narrow canyon with towering cliffs and unsurpassed scenery. Paths sometimes disappear thus hiking in the stream and stream crossings are frequently necessary (shoes on). A steady pace will be maintained with photo stops and breaks. We have lunch at the turn-around point and return via the same route. The Aravaipa Canyon is located about one hour's drive north of SCOV. Limited to 10 by permit. Permit cost to each individual is \$6 payable with cash. Sign up will begin October 1. Deb Wehrung [debwehrung@gmail.com](mailto:debwehrung@gmail.com).

**Tuesday, November 15, 2022 Proctor Parking to Mt Wrightson Picnic Area Parking [C+/7mi/1000'/\$10/7am]** Hike from the Proctor parking area (Main Gate) following Madera Canyon Creek to the MWPA parking. Snack and return via the same route. A forested, animal and bird watching special area. Limited to 12 . Ron Brillhart, [rdb Brill6660@gmail.com](mailto:rdb Brill6660@gmail.com).

**HIKE IS FULL. Wednesday, November 16, 2022 Lime Falls Cactus Forest [C/6mi/300'/\$5/7am]** Meet behind Welcome Center at 7:00am to carpool to Cactus Forest Trailhead near east end of Broadway, entering East Saguaro National Park to hike along mostly level Cactus Forest Trail to a small wash and waterfall (dry or not?) where we have all elevation gain and eat a snack. See lime kiln and explanatory signage. Optional lunch at Saguaro Corners restaurant after hike. Georgene Porter, [gvporter@live.com](mailto:gvporter@live.com).

**Wednesday, November 16, 2022 Scenic route to Dorothy's Wash [D/4mi/450'/\$2/8am]** Hike from main trailhead in CSP on Sutherland trail to a turn off up to the ridge of Sutherland wash. Take a ridge trail over to Dorothy's wash. Return via Sutherland trail. Ken Percival, [knmdsunchasers72@gmail.com](mailto:knmdsunchasers72@gmail.com).

**Thursday, November 17, 2022 Lost Coyote and Honeybee Canyon Loop [C/5mi/380'/\$0/7:30am]** Meet at the Mountain View Plaza parking lot (Fast Rhino is there). Take Lost Coyote (Powerline) trail South to new subdivision, then new Oro Valley trail to Southern border of Honeybee Canyon park. Follow Honeybee Canyon trail to restrooms and picnic area, then South through dam and return on Lost Coyote trail. Byron Wolffing, [wolffing5@gmail.com](mailto:wolffing5@gmail.com).

**Friday, November 18, 2022 Wasson Peak via Esperanza Trail [B-/8mi/1800'/\$6/8am]** Park at trailhead on Golden Gate Road, hike up Esperanza Trail to Hugh Norris Trail, past old mines to the highest peak in the Tucson Mountains and return. Spectacular views. Doug Higgins, [dahiggins@comcast.net](mailto:dahiggins@comcast.net).

**Friday, November 18, 2022 Dove Mountain Stroll [D/4mi/300'/\$3/7:30am]** We hike the Wild Burro Trail, then up the west portion of the Lower Javelina Trail, which then descends back to the Wild Burro Trail, which we take back to the trailhead. Limit 12 hikers. Bob Eschrich, 520-825-1482, [HikerBobE@aol.com](mailto:HikerBobE@aol.com).

**Monday, November 21, 2022 Saguaro NP West Trails [C/6mi/550'/\$5/7:30am]** We start at the eastern Com-Boh Trailhead, which is on the Picture Rocks Road just inside the eastern boundary of the Park, just past Contzen Pass. We hike quite a few trails -- Com-Boh, Ringtail, Picture Rocks Wash, Coyote Pass, and Ironwood. It's a loop hike with a cherry stem. Federal lands pass required. We won't hurry. Limit 12 hikers. Bob Eschrich, 520-825-1482, [HikerBobE@aol.com](mailto:HikerBobE@aol.com).

**Monday, November 21, 2022 Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness West [C+/8mi/200'/\$9/7:30am]** Hopefully Peak Autumn color. After hiking through a lush riparian section, we enter a narrow canyon with towering cliffs and unsurpassed scenery. Paths sometimes disappear thus hiking in the stream and stream crossings are frequently necessary (shoes on). A steady pace will be maintained with photo stops and breaks. We have lunch at the turn-around point and return via the same route. The Aravaipa Canyon is located about one hour's drive north of SCOV. Limited to 10 by permit . Permit cost to each individual is \$6 payable with cash after Nov 1st. (Signup starting October 1st pay later when I return to Tucson) Max Haegele , [43avocet@gmail.com](mailto:43avocet@gmail.com).

**NEW HIKE ADDED. Monday, November 21, 2022 Bridle Trl/Romero Ruins** (3mi/102'/\$2/7:15) In Catalina State Park, take the Bridle Trail to Romero Ruins and return. 3 mile, 102' elevation. Meet behind the Welcome Center at 7:15 for departure at 7:30. Julie Cherry, [jewelscherry@gmail.com](mailto:jewelscherry@gmail.com)

**HIKE IS FULL. Tuesday, November 22, 2022 El Encanto History Hike [C/5mi/50'/\$5/8am]** Walk two beautiful Tucson neighborhoods, El Encanto and Colonia Solana, both in midtown. These National Registry areas were built from 1920 to 1950. Level walking, wear comfortable shoes. Meet at Reid Park. Limit: 15. Jim Williams. [jaswilliams128@msn.com](mailto:jaswilliams128@msn.com).

**Tuesday, November 22, 2022 Blackett's Ridge [B/6mi/1800'/\$4/8am]** Hike Phonline Trail to Blackett's Ridge Trail which is very steep, then a gradual, persistent climb to one of Tucson's premier views. Deb Wehrung, [debwehrung@gmail.com](mailto:debwehrung@gmail.com).

**Wednesday, November 23, 2022 Yetman Trail spur, [D/4mi/400'/\$5/8AM]** Drive to trailhead on Camino de Oeste, hike Yetman trail 2 miles to historic Bowen house, lunch and return. Jack Evert, [jackevert439@gmail.com](mailto:jackevert439@gmail.com).

**Saturday, November 26, 2022 Sweetwater Saddle [C+/7mi/1500'/\$4/7:30am]** Meet behind Welcome Center and carpool to Camino del Cerro trailhead in Tucson Mountains and hike Sweetwater Trail to saddle where it meets King Canyon Trail in Saguaro West National Park; have snack and enjoy view; then return on the same trail. Impressive views of the city of Tucson, the scenery of Tucson Mountain Park, and watch the walkers as they go up to Wasson Peak. Georgene Porter, [gvporter@live.com](mailto:gvporter@live.com).

**Monday, November 28, 2022 Baby Jesus/Deer Camp Loop [B/9mi/1100'/\$2/8am]** Drive out Golder Ranch Rd to corrals. Hike Baby Jesus trail to cutoff to Deer Camp trail. Take cutoff to Deer Camp and return via Deer Camp trail and fifty year trail. Max Haegele [43avocet@gmail.com](mailto:43avocet@gmail.com).

**Monday, November 28, 2022 Fern Canyon and Rogers Rock [C/5mi/1150'/\$10/7am]** The hike starts at the Mt Wrightson Picnic Area in Madera Canyon in the Santa Rita Mountains. After two miles on the Super Trail, we take a heavily used though unofficial trail to Rogers

Rock, a good snack or early lunch spot. Then we descend through Fern Canyon, which is especially pretty if water is running. The Pipeline Trail takes us back to the Super Trail then on to the cars. Federal lands pass required. Limit 12 hikers. Bob Eschrich, 825-1482, [HikerBobE@aol.com](mailto:HikerBobE@aol.com).

**Tuesday, November 29, 2022 Alamo Springs, Wild Burro Loop [B/8+ mi/1600'/\$3/8am]** Start hiking from the Dove Mt. Trailhead going up Alamo Springs Tr. to bench on Ridgeline Tr., snack, return to trailhead via the W. Burro Trail. Ron Brillhart, [rdb Brill6660@gmail.com](mailto:rdb Brill6660@gmail.com).

**HIKE IS FULL. Wednesday, November 30, 2022 Tortolita fan [C/6mi/300'/\$0/8am]** Gather at Desert Oasis hike various trails looping around to our return site. Jack Evert, [jackevert439@gmail.com](mailto:jackevert439@gmail.com).