

Wildcat Hollow – Wayne National Forest Backpacking

IMPORTANT DATES FOR ALL SCOUTS

03/10/2008 Try on your hiking boots with wool socks. Make sure they still fit. Your feet may have grown.

03/24//2008 Monday - Give Permission slips to your parents if you have not already / start saving gallon water bottles and bring them to Troop meeting.

03/31/2008 Check out backpacks from Troop room.

04/01/2008 Friday – Sunday - Bring hiking boots, backpacks and contents to patrol meeting for backing. Patrol leaders will inspect. Finalize menu and assignments.

04/07/2008 Monday - Backpack shakedown – Bring packed backpack and hiking boots to Troop meeting.

Absolute last day for permission slips and money.

04/11/2008 Friday, Leave from Church Parking Lot at 6:25PM

Notes:

1. Older scouts will do a 15-mile hike. Some on Saturday and some on Sunday.
 2. Younger scouts will do a 3 to 5 mile hike
 3. The Wayne National Forest does not have any drinking water or restroom facilities. We will need to bring in our own water. Patrol and scouts should saving clean one-gallon water bottles to use during the camp out.
 4. Camping is permitted anywhere along the trail.
 5. April weather can be cool. Check the weather forecast and pack and dress accordingly
 6. The trial has mild elevation gains. The shorter trial should be within the abilities of younger scouts. By comparison it will be much easier than most PA trails.
 7. Some links for more information:
 - http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne/recreation_sites/trails/wildcat_hollow.html
 - <http://outdoors.webshots.com/album/546627253vUTwIu>
 - http://www.thebackpacker.com/trails/oh/trail_876.php
 - <http://backpacker.trimbleoutdoors.com/viewTrip.aspx?tripId=26454>
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