

Ashland Newcomers Hiking Group

Hike Schedule for July 24 thru Aug 15, 2002

Meet in Safeway parking lot in Ashland at 9:00 am; car pools will leave for trailhead around 9:05 am. We take a lunch break to allow for social interaction, so bring something to eat and drink. TH = trailhead DIM = Dead Indian Memorial Highway
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July 24, 2002: PCT from Wrangle Gap to Grouse Gap

TH: Drive to Mt. Ashland ski area and continue on FS 20 some 11 rough and dusty miles to PCT TH at Wrangle Gap; leave shuttle car at Grouse Gap; no parking pass needed
Estimated drive time: 60 min

Hike description: Trail contours some 4 miles around Big Red Mt, over serpentine barrens and thru cool woods, to Siskiyou Gap on FS 20; it then follows the ridge parallel to FS 20 some 2 miles before dropping through woods to Grouse Gap

Distance: about 7 miles; elev gain: trail is mostly downhill, although there is a moderate climb at the start

July 31, 2002: Crater Lake National Park: Crater Peak Trail

*****Meet in Safeway lot: 8:00 am*****

TH: Take DIM to Hwy 140; turn right; turn left on county road 531 to Fort Klamath; turn left on Hwy 62 to Crater Lake NP; park entrance fee: \$10 per car

Estimated drive time to Crater National Park Visitor Center: 2 hours

Hike description: Start out with 0.4 mi RT to Sun Notch for view of lake; then walk thru woods and flowers to summit of Crater Peak; return the same way

Distance: 5.4 mi RT

Elevation gain: 880 ft, mostly in last half mile

August 7, 2002: Grizzly Peak

TH: Drive DIM 7 mi; turn left on Shale City Rd; follow Grizzly Peak Trail signs: 3 mi on pavement, 2 mi on dirt

Est. drive time: 30 min

Hike description: We'll take a break from long-distance driving by doing a mid-summer check up on this lovely trail. The flowers should still be abundant.

Distance: 5 miles; elev. gain: around 800 ft

August 14, 2002: Upper Deadfall Lake (Mt Eddy)

TH: Drive I-5 south 27 mi past Yreka; turn left on Stewart Spr Rd 4 mi, then right on Road 17 (paved but one lane) 10.6 mi to TH (pass PCT crossing at 9.3 mi)

Est drive time: 60 minutes

Hike description: walk thru woods and flower meadows along Deadfall Creek to Middle Lake, then on to Upper Lake; there may be muddy spots in the meadows

Distance: 5.4 mi (RT); elev gain: 1400 ft (for a more relaxed hike, stop at Middle Lake: 3.4 mi RT, 800 ft elev gain)