

## The Hiking Group

### Upcoming Hikes as of July 1, 2003

Meet in Safeway parking lot in Ashland **at time indicated for each hike**. Bring water, lunch, and sun protection.

TH = trailhead; EDT = Estimated Drive Time

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The following set of near term hikes was discussed by several participants on the June 25 hike between Hyatt Lake and Greensprings summit. I need input for future hikes.

July 2, 2003: No hike scheduled

July 9, 2003, 9:00 am: PCT from Siskiyou Gap to Wagner Gap and back

TH: From Talent take Wagner Creek Rd (FS #22) up to its intersection with the Mt Ashland Rd (FS #20) on top of Siskiyou Ridge. Turn right 0.25 mile to PCT crossing.

EDT: 60 min

Description: From Siskiyou Gap follow PCT around Big Red Mt thru cool woods and over serpentine barrens to Wagner Gap and back; uphill stretches in both directions.

Some of us may want to go cross country over the top of Red Mt on the return leg.

Distance: 7.5 miles RT; elev gain: 1200 ft

July 16, 2003, 9:00 am: Wagner Butte

TH: From Talent take Rapp Rd and Wagner Creek Rd 7.6 mi to junction with FS 22; go left 2mi on FS 22 to TH. EDT: 30 min

Description: great flower displays along the way and spectacular views from the top; bring binoculars if you have them. There is a nice turn around point at about 2.4 mi for the weary of limb; bring your own car if you want to do this 4.8 mi, 1,200 ft truncated hike.

Distance: 10.4 miles RT; elev gain: 2200 ft

July 23, 2003, 8:00 am: Mt Eddy (opposite Mt Shasta in California)

TH: Drive south on I-5 and take Stewart Springs Rd exit about 1.5 mi after passing rest area next to Weed airport; follow lead car to TH. EDT: 120 min

Description: Wildflower heaven, spectacular views of Mt Shasta and other peaks—but a lot of work. Hiking stick to aid balance on stream crossings is a good idea. There is a nice turn around point at Deadfall Lakes after 2.7 mi, 1400 ft for the weary of limb.

Distance: 9 miles RT; elev gain: 2635 ft

July 30, 2003: No hike scheduled