

The Hiking Group

Hike Schedule for February 2004

Meet in Safeway parking lot in Ashland at 9:00 am; car pools will leave for trailhead at 9:05 am; bring water, lunch, and rain gear.

TH = trailhead; EDT = estimated drive time

Coordinator: Alex Maksymowicz 482-1964; alex_m@jeffnet.org

February 4, 2004: Triple Loop Trail (Leader: Dan Stubblefield)

TH: Take Tolman Creek Road 3.1 miles to TH; EDT: 20 min

Description: We will start with the Toothpick-Catwalk hike, then walk two loops totaling some 2-3 mi with an elevation gain of some 500 ft. We will complete the first loop by taking the Toothpick trail back to our cars on Tolman Creek Rd.

Distance: about 7 miles; elevation gain: about 2000 ft (my estimate)

February 11, 2004: Sterling Ditch Trail: south from Deming Gulch (Leader: Hal Slack)

TH: Proceed west from Phoenix to Sterling Creek Rd; turn left (south) for 7.3 mi; turn left on Deming Gulch Rd for 0.7 mi to Deming Gulch TH; EDT: 60 min

Description: Follow the Sterling Mine Ditch trail for about 4 mi, then retrace route

Distance: 8 miles; elev gain: 500 ft (my estimate)

February 18, 2004: Rogue River Trail, east from Peyton Bridge (Leader: Hal Slack)

TH: From Medford drive 35.5 mi on Hwy 62; turn left on Lewis Rd to Peyton Bridge TH parking area (east end of Lost Creek Lake); EDT: 60 min

Description: Follow trail along north shore of Rogue River some 3.5 mi; return same way; substantial ups and downs. This was a winner last year, with early spring flowers already in bloom

Distance: about 7 mi RT; total elev. gain: about 1000 ft (my estimate)

February 25, 2004: Collings Mountain (above Applegate Reservoir) (Leader: Dan Stubblefield)

TH: Drive south from Ruch about 20 mi to TH at Watkins Campground; drop off shuttle car along the way at Hart-tish Park TH, 3.4 mi back along the road; EDT: 75 min

Description: woodsy trail with excellent views

Distance: 7 mi; total elev. gain: 1400 ft (my estimate)