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TATC General Meeting (Norfolk)

When: August 10th, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location – Episcopal Church of the Advent, 9629 Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503

Canoe/Kayak Powhatan Creek (James City Co)

When: Saturday August 13, 2022

Time: 9:00AM - 2:00(?)

Distance/difficulty: 6 mile paddle moderate

Description: This will be a fun paddle on Powhatan Creek out to the tip of Jamestown Island and back. Fun, scenic and lots of history. It is flat water suitable for kayak or canoe. Even at low tide the channel is navigable. There is a moderate current as the tide comes in and goes out but should be no problem for us.

- We will put in at the Powhatan Creek Park and Blue Way canoe/kayak launch on route 31 operated by James City County (this is the road to the James town ferry). If coming from Tidewater take Exit 242 onto 199 towards Jamestown. Take a left onto 31 (follow the signs for the ferry). Once you past James River Pie Co. on the left look for the entrance to the park on the right.
- There is no cost for putting in or parking. I will be there with my yellow kayak and charcoal gray Ford F150 truck.
- You must have a kayak or canoe as there is no rentals.
- You must be able to swim and wear a PFD the entire time we are on the water.
- This is weather dependent, so if high winds or thunderstorms are predicted check with Mark Wenger and he will make the final call at 7:00AM that morning.
- Dress for being on the water, remember sunscreen, water and maybe some snacks. Bug spray might be a good idea just in case.
- When we finish, we will head to Billsburg Brewery which we passed while kayaking and celebrate the day.
- To sign up (or if you have any questions) call, text or email Mark Wenger at swfl1951@gmail.com / 757-645-6700.

Urban Bike Ride (Norfolk) with the Tuesday Group

When: Saturday August 16th, 2022

Time: 9:30AM - 2:00(?)

Location – E Lafayette Park in Norfolk (near the Zoo on Granby Street)

Description - Meet at 9:15 am; depart at 9:30. Rendezvous at Lafayette Park in Norfolk (near the Zoo on Granby Street). Park entrance is off of Granby St. at 38th – there's a traffic light here - turn on La Valette, opposite 38th Street, go about 200 yards and turn right into the park entrance.

For the breakfast crowd, meet at 8:30 at the MacDonald's on Granby, about ¼ mile north of La Valette.

Before leaving Lafayette Park, we can use the public bathroom there or at the nearby McDonalds on Granby. Other bathroom stops at Nauticus and/or at Waterside.

Ride Description: We'll first twirl through the historic Riverside neighborhood and experience the urban landscape of several other older Norfolk neighborhoods, and then on to the Waterside District via the Elizabeth River Trail from West Ghent. We will cycle the bike lane over the Berkley Bridge, checking out another neighborhood. We'll jump on the ferry (with bikes) to Portsmouth and have lunch at The Legend Brewing Depot near the Portsmouth Ferry. Afterwards, we'll hop the ferry and return to Waterside for ice cream. From there we'll head back via the Hague footbridge and sashay around Ghent on our way back to our cars at Lafayette Park. Brief stops could include the large koi pond and Asian gardens at the Pagoda and an unusual War Memorial near the Half Moone Cruise terminal.

This route is mostly on low traffic streets, but there are a few places where we'll be on streets with moderate traffic. We'll need to stay together (safety in numbers) on the more trafficky streets, many of which now have designated bike lanes. This route is about 18-20 miles.

Bring sunscreen, bike locks, helmet, water, and snacks. The ferry costs \$1 each way (exact change) for seniors (over 65); \$2 (exact change) each way for the younger crowd. And, of course, bring money for lunch and ice cream. No firearms please.

CLICK ON THE LINK TO SIGN UP:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IrFC6hp-8I2k5BNI2swBhPSCdkdklhh5sSgXLxMi9Jo/edit?usp=sharing>

Fort Monroe Walk/Hike – Hampton VA

When: Saturday August 20th, 2022

Time: 9:30AM – noonish (for the walk/hike)

Location – We'll meet in the [parking lot](#) Northeast of [Oozlefinch Brewing](#) (near Patch and Pullman roads) at 9 am, with a planned start at 9:15.)

Description: This will be an approximately 4 mile mostly flat walk through the fort and then along the bulkhead from the Chamberlin up to the Paradise Beach Club and then back to our starting point. We'll be making brief stops at many of the historical locations that are part of the Fort Monroe tour as well as a planned stop about 1/3 of the way along our walk at [Firehouse Coffee](#) for caffeine/soda/ice cream, etc. for those that might want a refreshment. The weather in August can get very hot, so dress accordingly and consider sunscreen. This is a family and dog friendly event.

Please email Andy Grayson at hikemaster@tidewateratc.com if you are planning to attend.

For those that are interested, we can check out the offerings at Oozlefinch (and associated food trucks, currently Flame and Pie & Nosh are scheduled to be their) after the walk. Seating at Oozlefinch is limited, you may want to bring a folding/soccer chair.

TATC Pub Night (aka Happy Hiker Hour) – Tradition Brewery (Newport News)

When: August 23rd, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location – 700 Thimble Shoals Blvd, Newport News, VA 23606

Join TATC Members on Tuesday, August 23rd at 7:00 pm; TATC will hold a pub night get-together at the Tradition Brewing. No sign-up is necessary; just show up. A Food Truck should be available. Parking is plentiful. Website: <https://traditionbrewing.com/>

POC - Andy Grayson - hikemaster@tidewateratc.com

Lopperfest 2022 - Part 3

Maintenance: August 27th, 2022

Camping: August 26th to 28th, 2022

Location – Sherando Lake Recreation Area, 96 Sherando Lake Road, Lyndhurst, VA 22952

Description: Cut back encroaching plant growth from trails using swing blades, loppers and shears. Free park entrance; free camping. Friday & Sunday are travel days. Ten to twelve people needed.

Brittany Collins - TATC Trail Supervisor - trailsupervisor@tidewateratc.com

John Sima - TATC Asst Trail Supervisor - assistantts@tidewateratc.com

Sailing (Hampton and Norfolk) with the Tuesday Group

When: Tuesday September 6th, 2022

Time: 9:15 AM - 2:00(?)

Location – see below

Sailing with the Tuesday Group on one of three boats: *s/v Starchaser* and *s/v Island Dream* out of Fort Monroe and *s/v A-lure* out of Rebel Marina, Norfolk. Registration 9:15, Departure 9:30

Here is your chance to have a fun day on the water weather permitting. Sign up using the link below on the vessel of your choice. Be considerate, if you find you cannot attend contact Ellis ASAP 757-285-1252 so we can fill your spot from the waiting list. This is a weather dependent activity. Check the website before you leave home should changes be required.

Bring your PFD, lunch, snacks, water (No Alcohol or glass bottles). Restrooms are available at the marinas.

Click on this link to sign up: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/111bo5ak25YpH78SXmIN8Zjz2nbEWOPszAbnSrWKjFrs/edit?usp=sharing>

First Landing State Park Maintenance

When: September 9th, 2022

Time: 9:00 am to noon

Location – Meet at the Picnic Area, Conservation Court, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Work to be done: Perform trail maintenance on the Live Oak and Cypress Swamp Trails

Bring: Water, work gloves, loppers, hedge trimmer, trash bag

Contact: Kaci Midgette at kacithemidge@gmail.com to sign up. The limit is six people, so sign up early!

Lafayette River Paddle with the Tuesday Group

When: Tuesday September 13th, 2022

Time: 9:00 AM - 2:00(?)

Location – Haven Creek Boat Launch

Description - Meet: 9:00 for sign up; launch (not lunch) @ 9:30 from the Haven Creek Boat Launch at the corner of Llewellyn and Delaware (a few blocks south of the south end of the Granby Street Bridge) in Norfolk in the Riverview neighborhood. We'll use the floating dock or the ramp to launch our canoes and kayaks, and head for the Lafayette River where we'll explore various tributaries. Expect 3-5 miles.

Lunch: Mi Hogar on Granby Street, near the boat launch. Ice cream after at McDonalds in Riverview (right near the launch and lunch) or the Cold Stone Creamery on 21st Street (about a 1 mile drive from the launch and lunch).

Bring your boat, paddles, PFDs, water, snacks, sunscreen, insect repellent and \$\$ for lunch (launching is free).

Breakfast option: 8:30 at McDonald's, 4125 Granby St, Norfolk 23504

To signup please click on this link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zalya7VYmHHxXaEVTuN1LP3igfquAAxa2S5Yl6kLGs/edit?usp=sharing>

TATC General Meeting

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Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location – Episcopal Church of the Advent, 9629 Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503

Fall Walk Thru

Walk Thru: September 17th, 2022

Camping: September 16th to 18th, 2022

Location – Sherando Lake Recreation Area, 96 Sherando Lake Road, Lyndhurst, VA 22952

Description: Camping out September 16-18, 2022, at the CCC Kitchen area in the Sherando Lake Recreation Area. Approximately 12 people needed to walk our section of A.T. & Mau-Har Trail to document maintenance needs.

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John Sima - TATC Asst Trail Supervisor - assistantts@tidewateratc.com

Fall Cabin Maintenance & Orientation Trip (Blue Ridge Parkway)

Date: September 16th to 18th, 2022

Location – Sherando Lake Recreation Area, 96 Sherando Lake Road, Lyndhurst, VA 22952

Description: The TATC has a stone cabin that comfortably accommodates twelve people inside and has tent sites for others. The requirements to rent the cabin are: 1. Have attended a maintenance and orientation trip, and 2. Be a current club member. Join Gregory Hodges to do some maintenance and get qualified to rent the cabin.

Maintenance activities include: replacing screens in windows, cleaning chimney, inventorying non-perishable food cupboard, organizing dishes and silverware, season cast iron pans, wash windows, weed whack with a sling blade, and small maintenance items. Please bring safety glasses and work gloves or use the ones provided at the cabin.

Maintenance activities are usually complete in time to leave an opportunity to do a local hike, cook a few meals, and to rest & relax. Greg may head to the cabin on Thursday and participants are welcome to join.

Contact Gregory Hodges at cabin@tidewateratc.com or call/text at (757) 439-1552. Greg can provide more specific directions for getting to the cabin for those that have not been there before.

Fall Maintenance Weekend & Family Campout

Maintenance: September 24th, 2022

Camping: September 23rd to 25th, 2022

Location – Sherando Lake Recreation Area, 96 Sherando Lake Road, Lyndhurst, VA 22952

Description: This is a weekend for us to do what the club was set up to do! We'll maintain our assigned section of the Appalachian Trail, the Mau-Har Trail, the White Rocks Trails, plus more! Come out to our base camp at Sherando Lake Recreation Area on Friday as early as noon; set up your tent at the Williams Branch Picnic Area, keeping in mind that the gate is usually locked at 10PM and opens on Saturday morning at 6AM. Crew signup sheets will be available Friday; Saturday organizational meeting at 7:45AM. Optional hikes offered on Sunday. To sign up or for more information, contact:

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Other Future Activities –

- Noland Trail Hike – October 1st, 2022
- TATC 50th Anniversary Event – October 2nd, 2022
- First Landing State Park Maintenance - Friday, October 7th, 2022
- Open Weekend at the Cabin – Friday, October 7th to 9th, 2022
- TATC General Meeting – October, 12th, 2022
- TATC Pub Night – The Garage Brewery - October 18th, 2022
- Crosscut A/B Sawyer Course - October 19th to 21st, 2022
- CBES 29th Between the Waters Bike Tour (sold out) - October 22nd, 2022
- "Giant Bamboo" Hike - November 5th, 2022
- TATC General Meeting – November 9th, 2022
- Windsor Castle Hike - December 10th, 2022