

2022 Hiking Group

Charles E. Piersall Chapter Izaak Walton League of America

MISSION STATEMENT: To conserve, restore, and promote the sustainable use and enjoyment of our natural resources which include soil, air, woods, waters, and wildlife.

Izaak Walton League is sponsoring a Hiking Group on the odd Wednesdays of the month. This is open to all ages and dogs are welcome if they are on a leash. Please come join us and find others who enjoy hiking in our beautiful outdoors. Be sure to bring drinking water, snacks, good walking shoes or boots, and a jacket. A walking stick or hiking poles can be helpful. Call or text Jennie at 251-3739 or Dan at 251-3741 if you have any questions or if you want to get on our mailing list. Please note that in April and May, we will be hiking on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays and then starting in June we will go to odd Wednesdays.

Wednesday, April 13, 6 p.m., Platte River Trail - Morad Park:

Please meet at the parking at Morad Park. We will hike to the west and can turn around at or before Paradise Valley. Dogs will need to be on leash once we leave Morad Park.

Wednesday, April 27, 6 p.m., EKW State Park:

Please meet at the first parking just after the fee booth. This will be about a 3 mile loop. Dogs must be on leash in the park. If you drive in you should have a State Parks pass.

Wednesday, May 11, 6 p.m., State Land on Coates Road:

Turn left off CY Avenue just past the National Guard Bldg. Drive a couple miles. There is a parking area on the left as the road makes a sharp turn to the right. The creek crossings can be muddy so wear appropriate footwear. This is a 3.5 miles loop.

Wednesday, May 25, 6 p.m., Smith Creek Road:

Please meet at the parking northeast of JC Penneys near 2^{nd} Street (by the only entrance into the parking from 2^{nd} Street). We will car pool to Smith Creek which is off Hat Six Road. We will do a 3 mile loop.

Wednesday, June 1, 6 p.m., Circle Drive Road:

Please meet at Bear Trap Meadow parking on Casper Mountain and we will carpool to the backside of Casper Mountain. There are a couple loops we can do so we will decide on the distance once we are up there. You could also just do the first loop.

Wednesday, June 15, 6 p.m., Hat Six Road:

Please meet at the parking northeast of JC Penneys near 2nd Street (by the only entrance into the parking from 2nd Street). We will car pool to the end of Hat Six Road. We will do a 4 mile loop which has some great view points. Dogs will need to be on leash if there are cattle.

Wednesday, June 29, 6 p.m., Beaver Ponds on Muddy Mountain:

Please meet at the Bear Trap Meadow parking on Casper Mountain. We will car pool from here to Muddy Mountain. This is a 3.6 mile loop.

Wednesday, July 6, 6 p.m., Saw Mill on Muddy Mountain:

Please meet at the Bear Trap Meadow parking on Casper Mountain. We will car pool from there to Muddy Mountain. We will need high clearance vehicles for getting to the start of this hike. This is about 4 miles round trip.

Wednesday, July 20, 6 p.m., Muddy Mountain Nature and Rim Trails:

Please meet at the Bear Trap Meadow parking on Casper Mountain. We will car pool from there to Muddy Mountain. This is about a 3 mile loop..

Wednesday, August 3, 6 p.m., Archery Range/Conservancy of the Phoenix:

Please meet at the Archery Range Parking. This is out and back so we can determine how far we go. Dogs must be on leash in the Conservancy of the Phoenix.

Wednesday, August 17, 6 p.m., Eadsville Trail:

Please meet at the Trail Center parking on Casper Mountain. This is about a 4 mile loop.

Wednesday, August 31, 6 p.m., Hogadon Trail:

Please meet at the Hogadon parking on Casper Mountain. This is about a 2.5 mile loop.

Wednesday, September 7, 6 p.m., Crimson Dawn, Casper Mountain:

Please meet at the Crimson Dawn parking on Casper Mountain. This is about a 2 mile hike.

Wednesday, September 21, 6 p.m., Platte River Trail, East End:

Please meet at the parking off Bryan Stock Trail on the west side just before the bridge crosses the North Platte. We will do a loop through the frisbee golf course.