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May 11 Work Plan

On May 11 we're planning work on the Visitor Center side of Kennesaw Mountain. Please check in @ Old Hwy 41 overflow parking lot, assemble @ Visitor Center picnic area by 8:30 am.

1. Clear and prepare ground for sound barrier planting along Stilesboro Road/picnic area.
2. Perform maintenance of removing berm and clearing loose rock and invasive plant growth along the moderate trail going from visitor center trail head to the mid mountain fire road.

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NCCC- Service Through Teamwork

On April 13, an AmeriCorps NCCC team of five (5) members participated in our Trail Work Day on the trails near the Cheatham Hill Road parking lot. The team registered through our Hands On Atlanta connection. AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a full-time, team-based residential program for men and women age 18–24. Members are assigned to one of five campuses throughout the country. These members are from the Vicksburg, Mississippi campus and they have three AmeriCorps NCCC teams currently stationed in Atlanta.

The mission of AmeriCorps NCCC is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service. In partnership with non-profits, national or state parks, schools, etc., members complete service projects throughout their assigned region. Drawn from the successful models of the Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s, AmeriCorps NCCC is built on the belief that national service programs work effectively with local communities to address pressing needs.

In describing their work with KMTC, their team leader, Samantha Hawke commented: "We had a great time helping out with the work day last weekend! It was so amazing to work on a trail that the original CCC had designed and cultivated. Thank you so much for the opportunity! We hope to get out there again before our round in Atlanta ends at the end of May!"

Anne Strand



Newsletter 1

<http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>

Is Your Thing Invasive Plants?

"Invasive plant" control has continued to need our help and we are looking for people to lead some dedicated work days. To do this we will need you to take our crew leader training in February. You should contact Scott Mackay at president@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org if you are interested. This role will require a long term commitment with the Trail Club. We have "lots" of Invasive plants!

Building Stairs

One of the thankless jobs we get to do is build stairs to lessen the erosion on some trails - e.g. the main trail from the Visitor Center to the parking lot atop Kennesaw Mountain. We've expended serious effort over the last 10 years on what we call the "Grand Staircase." Following is a Youtube video of the effort in 2009 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hzil0Cpyu2c>. We did it again in 2012 - <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=4129753200906&set=vb.43974126260&type=3&theater>.

April Trail Day Report

Our April 13 Trail Day was another significant success. It was a beautiful morning for trail work and we topped 100 volunteers. There was the advantage of working in the same area as last month so check-in went faster and we were able to quickly organize into crews and start to work.

At the suggestion of a crew leader, several of us had gone out midweek to put dirt and rocks along side of the trails. This made the work go much faster and everyone could see all they accomplished.. Everyone worked happily together; there was friendly competition among several ROTC groups, great participation from KSU and GA Tech students, AmeriCore and, of course, all our loyal and welcome individual volunteers.

We were able to complete the resurfacing and erosion control of the trail from the top of the hill across from Cheatham Hill parking lot all the way to where the trail enters the woods. The volunteers also filled large sections with dirt, rock and mulch for erosion control along Old John Ward Road parallel to Cheatham Hill Rd. Go out and walk, run or hike this area; you'll be amazed at the transformation.

Thanks to all who helped on April 13. You did a wonderful job! Please come again. Also, special thanks to Larry Shogren and Harry Carpenter for helping with material distribution and to our crew leaders for their leadership

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Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!

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and equipment operation. We're glad to assist the park and thank the staff for their direction and assistance in the safety and success of our trail day.

Thanks,

Doug Tasse
KMTTC Trails Director

Park Day - 4/6/13

Kennesaw Mountain Nation Battlefield Park is site of a Civil War Campaign. On this year's Park Day we were mindful of the visitor that comes to the Park not only for historical concerns but also for visitors that come to enjoy the Park experience at picnic grounds and the woods in the area.

We had a total of some 70 volunteers. Work consisted at the picnic area and the environmental trail adjacent to the visitor center picnic area; a one (1) mile loop trail.

The picnic area and environmental trail were in need of maintenance attention and the National Park Day was the perfect vehicle to bring in volunteers to perform the maintenance. We started at a creek at the picnic area. There, volunteers worked along some 200 yards of creek bed and cleaned out debris and leaves and cut invasive plants. A total of some 18 cubic yards of material were carted to waste disposal. Also, volunteers wire brushed nine (9) installed grilles and repainted them, along with clearing the base area and adding 2 cu.ft. of pine bark chips on ground at each grille.

Along the entrance to the trail, crews cut vines which were parallel to trail and cleared a 6' wide trail (which was already established) and added some 9 cubic yards of fill dirt to build up the trail and aid in erosion control. Upon getting the trail into a condition that will be harmonious to visitors some 235 2-cubic ft. bags of pine bark mulch were put on the trail, to stabilize dirt and define the trail for visitor use. Also added to this area were some 200 yards (both sides of trail) of snake rail fencing stacked 4 high.

Other volunteers worked on the total length of trail. They corrected drainage issues and lined the trail with fallen wood debris; to define the trail. Also, there are some nine stations with benches which have interpretive signage; these areas were cleared of excess growth and debris. A separate crew worked on securing rocks which were strewn on the trail and could cause distress to a visitor,

All in all, it was a marvelous day with a bunch of great volunteers making our historic battle field park a place of joy and comfort for all the visitors.

Ranger Amanda Corman
KEMO Volunteer Coordinator

Doug Tasse
Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Trails Director

A Special Thanks!

Each year we have various groups who come out and help us. Henceforth, we will make every attempt to list your group here for the current/past fiscal year. If you are participating as a group, be sure to let us know when you are registering!

Following is a list, in no particular order, of the groups who participated during Fiscal 2012 (October 2011- September 2012) and Fiscal 2013 (October 2013 - Present):

FY 2012

AESTHETICS

ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL PHILMONT CONTINGENT (TWO CREWS)

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF NW GA (BCHNWG)

BANK OF AMERICA

CHATTAHOOCHEE NRP

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

CUB SCOUT PACK 702, MARIETTA

CUB SCOUT PACK 1954, ATLANTA

DEVEREUX GEORGIA, KENNESAW

GE (GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY)

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

GEORGIA TECH TRAILBLAZERS

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 22613, MARIETTA, GA

GREEN YOUTH GROUP

HANDS ON ATLANTA

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL NAVY ROTC GROUP

LIFE UNIVERSITY

REI, KENNESAW STORE

ROBOTICS TEAM, McEACHERN HIGH SCHOOL

SADDLE UP COBB (SUC)

STARBUCKS

SERVECOBB

TROOP 1, SMYRNA, GA, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

TROOP 89, POWDER SPRINGS, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

TROOP 147, MOBILE, AL, SERVICE PROJECT

TROOP 277, MARIETTA, GA, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

TROOP 405, McEACHERN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TROOP 741, MARIETTA, GA, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

TROOP 1294, POWDER SPRINGS, GA,

PHILMONT SERVICE PROJECT

UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY

WALTON TEEN SERVICE CORPS

WEST GA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE WGMSAR)

FY 2013

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENT ALLIANCE AT KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

ALLATOONA HIGH SCHOOL NJROTC

ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER - KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

TROOP 75



BOY SCOUT TROOP 700, DALLAS, GA, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

BOY SCOUT TROOP 795, MARIETTA, GA, SERVICE PROJECT

BOY SCOUT TROOP 321, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

E. PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL AF JROTC

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY AND ALUMNI

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY FEMALE SOCCER TEAM

GEORGIA TECH

HANDS ON ATLANTA

HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL NROTC

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

KSU BETA ALPHA PSI

McEACHERN HONOR SOCIETY

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY, NORFOLK, VA

OMEGA PRIVATE ACADEMY

OMEGA PHI ALPHA - KSU, NATIONAL SERVICE SORORITY

POPE HIGH SCHOOL FRESH LIVING CLUB

ROTARY CLUB

REINHARDT UNIVERSITY

SOUTH COBB HIGH SCHOOL (TEENS, TRAILS & TRENCHES PROJECT)

TROOP 405, McEACHERN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WALTON TEEN CORPS

In addition, the following individuals/groups/businesses have donated materials, etc. to the Club:

Zachary Fox, owner of "Fox Specialty Dogs and Street Eats" has donated 6 large cases of drinking water for our November work day. Zachary has volunteered with us several times as well.

The following Groups participated this past month (April):

E. PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL AIR FORCE JROTC

GEORGIA TECH RESIDENT HALL STAFF

HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL GIRL'S SOCCER TEAM

HOLDER CONSTRUCTION

VOLUNTEER KSU GROUP

AMERICORPS NCCC TEAM

PACK 1417

THE MOHAWK GROUP

KOHL'S, ACWORTH STORE



Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar

Date **Time** **Location** **Event**

May, 2013

7	6:30-8:30 pm	Visitor Center	Trail Ambassador meeting with Chief Ranger
11	8:30 am-1 pm	Old Hwy 41 parking lot	Trail Work Day
	11, 1	Illinois Monument prkg lot	Guided History Walk with Phillip Whiteman
	9:00-10:30	Burnt Hickory prkg lot	Fleet Feet Hike: Short Hike
13	7:00	Visitor Center	Monday Lecture Series, "Soldiers' Letters from the Kennesaw Mountain Battle Line", Brad Quinlin
21	7:00	REI, Kennesaw	Leave No Trace workshop, Jay Dement
	6:30-8:30	Visitor Center	Trail Ambassador meeting with Chief Ranger
23-27	8:30-5:00	Visitor Center	Memorial Day Display
25	9:00-12:00	Visitor Center	Fleet Feet Hike: Long Hike
5/26	12:00	Illinois Monument Prkg Lot	Guided History Walk, Stuart Berkowitz
26-27	11,12,2,3	Visitor Center	Memorial Day Commemoration, Living History demonstration

June

6/4	11, 1	Illinois Monument prkg lot	Guided History Walk with Stuart Berkowitz
6/8	8:30-1:00	Old Hwy 41 parking lot	June Trail Work Day- National Trails Day
6/8	9:00-10:30	Visitor Center	Fleet Feet Hike: Short Hike
6/9	11,12,2,3	Visitor Center	Living History demonstration-Artillery
6/14	11:00-12:00	Picnic Area Amphitheater	"Mr. Morton's Animal Show" children's program w/animals
6/15	8:00-11:00	Visitor Center, front steps	Secret Lives of Birds, Mark Ray, bird walk
6/16	11, 1	Illinois Monument prkg lot	Guided History Walk with Phillip Whiteman
6/18	11, 1	Illinois Monument prkg lot	Guided History Walk with Stuart Berkowitz
6/19	11:00-12:00	Picnic Area Amphitheater	"All About Animal Tracks" children's program
6/20	10:00-11:00	Picnic Area Amphitheater	"Native American Nature Hike", children's program
6/22	10:30-11:30	Visitor Center	"LP & CL Model Railroad Display" children's program
6/22	9:00-12:00	Cheatham Hill Parking Lot	Fleet Feet Hike: Long Hike
6/28	11:00-12:00	Picnic Area Amphitheater	"Mr. Morton's Animal Show" children's program w/animals
6/29-30	11,12,2,3	Visitor Center	149th Anniversary; Infantry & Artillery demonstrations
6/30	12:00	Illinois Monument prkg lot	Guided History Walk with Stuart Berkowitz

Special Projects: Attention Crew Leaders: We have special volunteer projects planned on May 16 (noon til 4 pm), May 17 (noon till 3 pm) and May 18 (9 am til noon)also, June 6th (9 am til 12:30 PM). Please contact Doug Tasse, dougkmtc@gmail.com to offer your help.

Thanks,

Doug

Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Work Day Schedule:

Our trail work days are open to the public on the 2nd Saturday of each month and are a wonderful way to get outside & enjoy nature while helping preserve the national park for future visitors. We will meet at 8:30 am at the new parking lot, .2 miles north of the Visitor Center on Old 41 and usually are finished by 1:00 p.m. Activities usually include the use of shovels, rakes, picks, and other tools to fix erosion problems on the 20+ mile trail system. Please do not wear open-toed shoes & long pants are recommended.

As winter months approach, weather conditions can change quickly. We value our volunteers' health, comfort and safety so to promote safer work conditions, we'll cancel work days if the temperature is below 40 degrees and/or there's a high

probability of precipitation. If we must cancel a workday, we'll post an announcement on the front page of the KMTC website at: www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

If your school, church, business, or community organization would like to schedule a special work day as a team building or public service activity, e-mail us at kmtctrails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org at least 4 weeks in advance. Trail work can be performed any day of the week.

We work closely with the Park Service and assist the park staff by providing critically needed volunteer effort to install signs, build bridges, and maintain the 20+ miles of trails. Since our beginning in 2002, the Trail Club has donated over 25,000 volunteer hours to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

We hope to see you at a work day soon!

“Girls Rock” Global Youth

Service Day 2013

Ranger and Volunteer Coordinator, Amanda Corman, asked the trail club to support a project for Global Youth Service Day. She said that Harrison High School wanted to send about 35 students to volunteer on April 20th. We had the perfect project in mind and were totally agreeable to having the Harrison students take on the challenge.

Completing the raised trail at Ward Creek had suffered weather delays and really needed to be finished. South Cobb High students did an excellent job on the first section. Our trail club had another section filled in and, in between some KMTC members added some gravel topping. All good but the final section still needed to be finished to complete the improvement of that section of trail.

On the 19th, a few club members moved equipment, in the rain, down to the project site; we hoped the forecast of good weather for the 20th would be right. And the weather on the 20th was beautiful - a perfect trail day. The students, who turned out to be the Girl's Soccer Team, came by bus in their shorts, tops and neon sneakers. Also, four volunteers from Kohl's store in Acworth joined in the fun. We had a terrific group of crew leaders (Cindy, Curt, Geoff, Larry, Randy and Rodney) who were prepared to do some heavy work. When I asked the group of young volunteers if they were ready to work, their “Yes” came back loud and clear.

The young ladies (and a few guys!) worked fantastically; everyone had a team spirit and worked that way. We had fun: they were laughing and painting their faces with mud and moving rocks and dirt and gravel and mulch. Yes, they “Rocked!” This was youth service in motion.

The work that has been done by the teens along that trail will last for many years. I think their work is evidence that a winning attitude performed in an unselfish manner produces EXCELLENCE every time.

Thank you all for a job well done.

Doug Tasse

Trails Director
KMTC

PERSONAL NOTE: Mr. Rodney Morton was Head Crew Leader on this project from it's beginning, On April 20th he was there early and stayed late to finish the project. He is a Lockheed employee and has been transferred to Texas. Rodney truly is a good volunteer, crew leader and friend.

We all wish him well and anxiously await his return - even if it is years from now!

“Another New Venture”

Last month we decided to postpone a work session with Old Dominion University. It was predicted to rain on that Monday (but it didn't), so we rescheduled for Wednesday. This month, we had a work program planned on April 4th with North Cobb Christian High School and rain was forecast for that day. We asked if the school could reschedule but they couldn't do that and we were not sure what we could do. The Trail Club had made a presentation at the school's volunteer fair encouraging them to come work with us and we didn't want to let them down. (Especially since some of us remember how excited we were while in school to go on a “field trip” .). So, we tried a new venture.

It did rain most of the day on April 4th, but we had decided to have a program for them in the Park's Visitor Center. Ranger's Amanda Corman & Anthony Winegar helped us get set up in the Center's education room on really short notice. The group arrived just in time to see the National Park Service movie about Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. After a tour of the bookstore and items in the lobby, the students were shown a wonderful power point presentation by our club historian, Jay Haney. He told them about the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain and gave them information about the mountain as it pertains to Cobb County past and present. Chief Ranger Winegar came in to welcome the students and invite them to come back and bring their families. He gave them a breakdown on the number of visitors who enjoy the park each year and the impact they have on the park.

Next, senior crew leader Geoff Grosgruth made a presentation about the tools they would have been using and the safety we incorporate into all our projects. Harry Carpenter, another senior crew leader, talked about appropriate clothing for outdoors and trail work and the important “why!” I followed up with a talk about the structure of our club and got into the importance of being a volunteer, with emphasis on “why volunteer” and the benefit it is - not only to society but to us as volunteers.

The class had performed volunteer work with several other organizations that week. We used our time, in a slightly different setting, and honored our obligation by teaching them what we do, how we do it and why we volunteer. We had a good three hour program for them in just the amount of time they wanted to work.

Being with the trail club is an education and it's nice to know we can pass the knowledge on to others.

Doug Tasse

Trails Director

May 11 Work Plan Continued from Page 1

3. Repairing loose, large stone at first level of rock stairs at mid mountain fire road to trail going up the mountain.
4. Cleaning out loose gravel from ditch along rock stairs, first set, at mid mountain fire road going up the mountain.
5. On level trail above large rock stairs perform maintenance to control erosion, by pulling dirt witch has washed off trail, back up to trail tread and installing armored nicks (rock stacked on ground) in areas that have been washed out.
6. Rake over and lay brush and dead fall in area where social trail has developed, which has bypassed established trail @ the rock steps area going up mountain from level trail.
7. Youth conservation project will be clearing debris from the picnic and dry creek area and stacking rock border at the visitor center sidewalks to better direct pedestrian traffic to allow better plant growth in the area.

Request crew leaders to come to the trail club tool shed 7:45 am for assignment and tool distribution. We look forward to a productive morning of service to aid our park in getting ready for the upcoming 150th anniversary of the Battle @ Kennesaw Mountain.

Thanks,

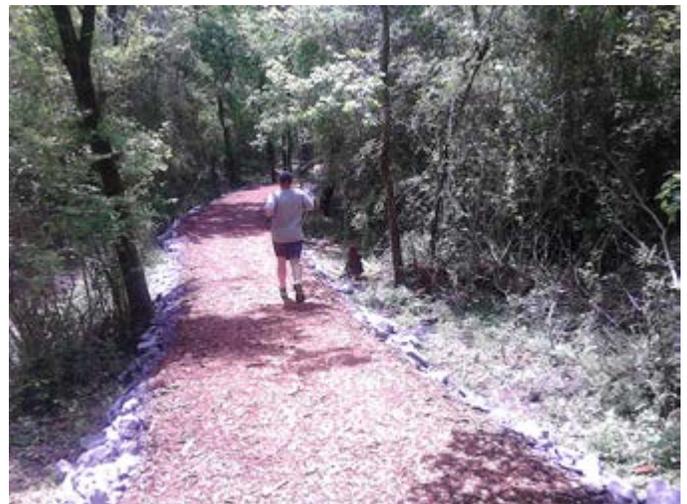
Doug Tasse - Trails Director

GSU Honors College Presentation

Jay Haney provided a presentation to the GSU Honors College on April 2, 2013. If you would like to see a copy of his slides for the presentation, you may go to our website and go to "Civil War Information" under "Items Of Interest," or go directly to the presentation at http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/documents/GSU_Honors_College_presentation_2013.pdf.



As another old hippie, Joe Cocker , sings "I get by with a little help from my friends." And what a remarkable accomplishment we all made; just got back from checking it after April 28th's rain. The trail is working, water is all around and none on turnpike, nice and firm; every runner and walker that came by thanked us. Photo/note by Doug Tasse



BOOK REPORT

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN

Sherman, Johnston, and the Atlanta Campaign

Reviewed by Bill Gurry

In the preface of his new book, Civil War trench expert, historian, professor, and author Dr. Earl J. Hess states “**Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park is one of the most valuable Civil War resources in the country**” and “**The significance of the ground enclosed within the Kennesaw Mountain Park cannot be overstated.**” These statements alone should pique the interest of any Trail Club member. Hess is well known for his many books, including two books on trench warfare in 1864 Virginia for which he was awarded the Richard B. Harwell award from the Atlanta Civil War Roundtable.

If special interest to both the Trail Club and historical enthusiasts, the book includes a 27-page Appendix entitled “**Kennesaw after the War.**” This section starts with several pages about the preservation of the battlefield and the creation and early administration of the park. Most of the Appendix, however, concerns construction of the field fortifications (trenches), with 19 detailed maps/sketches, descriptions, and photos of some of the trenches that are preserved today. For example, I’ve never understood why the works at Cheatham Hill were built incorrectly on the actual crest rather than the military crest of the hill – read the book to learn Hess’s explanation.

Hess describes Kennesaw Mountain as an “outdoor classroom” to study the work of the armies and the evolution of unique field fortifications that remain in the Park. His final comment is that an understanding of the works and the terrain “**can only be had by walking extensively across the battlefield of Kennesaw Mountain.**” Trail Club members can say “**Been there; done that.**”

I thought I knew a lot about the battle but learned quite a bit from reading this book. I particularly enjoyed the descriptions of the skirmishing that took place in the week before the main attacks on June 27, 1864 and the important role that abatis played in the attacks, much of which was new to me. Readers will also learn of the experiences and emotions of the common soldier, the strategies and tactics of the generals, and the battle’s place of importance in the Atlanta campaign.

Hess describes the development of his interest in the Park that began in 1986 with a visit to the Park when

he moved from Purdue University to Georgia. The same can be said about a certain unnamed Trail Club member and book reviewer who made the same stop 13 years earlier when he too moved from Purdue to Georgia.

Kennesaw Mountain runs 322 pages including a preface, narrative, an order of battle of the engaged troops, the appendix, notes, bibliography, and index, with both historical and modern photos and a dozen maps in addition to the 19 in the Appendix mentioned above. The narrative runs 266 pages, plenty for this battle. This book was released only a few weeks ago, so it may not yet be in the Visitor Center book store. If not, I expect it will be soon.

All in all, this book is the best single source on the battle of Kennesaw Mountain that I have.



October, 26, 2012 - Atop Kennesaw Mtn - Photo by Fred Feltmann

150 years ago in the Civil War—May 1863

With good weather the climatic campaigns of 1863, and arguably the entire war, began in the East and West. Grant moved relentlessly against Vicksburg and Lee had his great victory at Chancellorsville only to lose “Stonewall” Jackson in the process.



Eastern Operations Source Americancivilwar.com

May 1 Battle of Chancellorsville begins near Fredericksburg, Virginia (East)

Battle of Port Gibson, Mississippi (West)

May 3 Second Battle of Fredericksburg, Virginia (East)

May 4 Battle of Chancellorsville, Virginia continues with the Battle of Salem Church (East)

May 10 Death of Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson (East) "He has lost his left arm, but I have lost my right arm." ... Robert E. Lee

May 14 Engagement at Jackson, Mississippi (West)

May 16 Battle of Champion Hill (Baker's Creek), Mississippi (West)

May 17 Battle of Big Black River Bridge, Mississippi (West)

May 19 First assault on Vicksburg, Mississippi (West)

May 21 Engagement at Plains Store, Louisiana (West)

150 years ago in the Civil War—May 1863



Western Operations Source Americancivilwar.com

May 22 Second assault on Vicksburg, Mississippi (West)

May 23 Siege of Port Hudson, Louisiana (West)

May 27 First assault on Port Hudson, Louisiana (West)



Infantry Demonstrations, 16th Georgia - photos by Fred Feltmann

Park Day - 4/6/13



*Additional photos may be found on our Facebook page.
Photos by Fred Feltmann*

Trail Club Shirts and Merchandise Available

http://www.cafepress.com/kennesaw_trails

100% Cotton Denim Embroidered Shirt \$35.00



Support your club and Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park by showing the colors. We have a selection of shirts both long-sleeved and short-sleeved available in our online Gear Store. 20% of the purchase price of any of our products goes directly to support the park.

The yellow tee shirt (\$17.99) with the club logo on the back has become the default standard uniform shirt for trail workdays. The bright yellow color stands out in the woods, and the logo is clearly visible when you are bent over swinging a Pulaski or a MacCloud.

If you would like to have one or more shirts at this price, e-mail **Jay Dement** at tees@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org with your name, size, and quantity of shirts. The Yellow shirt is available at a special price of \$15.00 during Trail Maintenance on the second Saturday of the month.



Red Buds in bloom at the Visitor Center -photos by Fred Feltmann



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Facebook Page		http://www.facebook.com/#!/kmtcsocial

April 13 Work Day



*Additional photos may be found on our Facebook page.
Photos by Jay Haney*

Leave No Trace

A w a r e n e s s W o r k s h o p

Presented by the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club

Tuesday May 21, 2013

REI Kennesaw

News Release

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club announces a Leave No Trace Awareness Workshop to be held at the Kennesaw REI store, 740 Barrett Parkway, on Tuesday May 21, 2013 at 7:00 pm. The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics is an educational, nonprofit organization dedicated to the responsible enjoyment of the outdoors.

This workshop introduces the seven Leave No Trace principles to help those who use the outdoors. In addition, methods to prevent and minimize impact on the back-country and front-country will be covered.

While the Leave No Trace Ethics are focused on the back-country, front-country elements will be covered for users of Kennesaw Mountain.

There is no charge for this informative workshop and participants will receive a certificate upon completion. Seating is limited to 20 participants. For more information and to sign up go to

www.jaydphotos.com/LeaveNoTrace.htm.

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2013

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: REI Kennesaw

Presenter: Jay M Dement, Leave No Trace Master Educator

For more information Contact:

Jay M Dement

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Leave No Trace
Awareness Workshop
Presented by the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club
Tuesday, May 21, 2013
REI Kennesaw

The Awareness Course is a vital component of the nationwide Leave No Trace program, to help recreationalists minimize their ecological impact while enjoying the outdoors. This program assists the participants in learning more about the seven principles of Leave No Trace.

There is no charge for this informative workshop and participants will receive a certificate upon completion. Seating is limited to 25 participants. For more information and to sign up go to www.rei.com/kennesaw.



leave no trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors



Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2013
Time: 7:00pm
Place: REI Kennesaw
(740 Barrett Parkway)

Presented by:

Jay M Dement, Master Educator 404/731-1901 jay@jayDphotos.com

Register at www.rei.com/kennesaw

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club



in conjunction with
**Kennesaw Mountain
National Battlefield Park**
and the
American Hiking Society
present



National Trails Day

The annual celebration of America's 200,000 miles of trails!

Saturday June 8, 2013

**** 8:30 AM Registration ****

**Old Hwy 41 Parking Lot
.2 mile north of Visitor Center
900 Kennesaw Mountain Drive
Kennesaw, GA 30152**



Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park
has 2900 acres with 20+ miles of trails.
The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club
volunteers to maintain the park trails.



**Pre-Registration for groups over 10 by email:
membership@KennesawMountainTrailClub.org**

<http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/workday.php>

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An "Honor Our Veterans" Event: 2013 Memorial Day Commemorative Activities

- **Veterans' Uniform Display** - Thursday, May 23, through Monday, May 27, 2013, a veterans' uniform display will be available, free and open to the public from 9 AM – 4 PM in the Battlefield's Visitor Center.

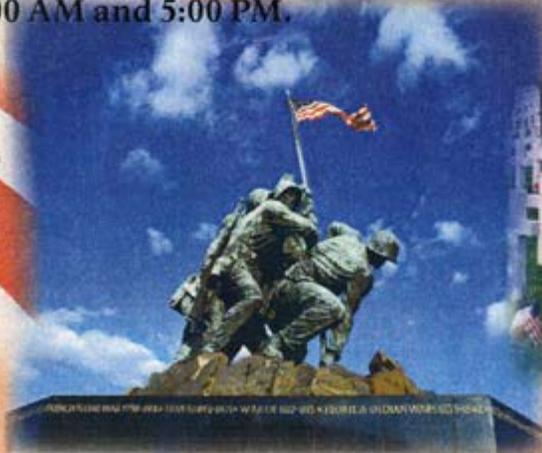
Included are numerous uniforms and other memorabilia from World War I through Operation Iraqi Freedom. All of the uniforms and other items are identified with the veteran's name, branch of service, and when the veteran served; photographs of the veterans are included with most uniforms. Mr. Ken Myers is the owner/presenter of the display and has provided U.S. military displays in the Atlanta area for the past fourteen years. He will be present to answer any questions.

- **Artillery Demonstrations** - Monday, May 26-27, at 11:00 AM, 12, 2 and 3:00 PM at the Visitor Center front battlefield area.

- **Kennesaw Mountain High School's Color Guard** - performing at 1 PM in the Visitor Center front field.

- **Moment of Silence** - At 3:00 pm, a moment of silence will be observed in remembrance of those who gave the last full measure for our country.

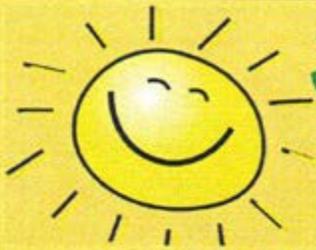
For any questions concerning this program, please contact us at 770-427-4686 x 0 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.



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Summer Fun For Kids!

Fun and free events to help your kids burn off some energy while learning!

“Mr. Morton’s Animal Show” - June 14th & June 28th

Time: 11 am - 12 pm; Location: Picnic Area Amphitheater

Mr. Richard Morton, wildlife biologist with the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, will display a combination of living animals and animal hides. He will explain to kids what animals are native to the southeast, what to do if you come across a wild animal, and teach children how to respect nature and the roles these animals play in the ecosystem.

“All About Animal Tracks” - June 19th

Time: 11 am - 12 pm; Location: Picnic Area Amphitheater

This program explores the prints our animal friends leave behind as they travel about the woods. Kids will be able to identify the tracks of animals common to the Cobb county area and even make their own track molds to take home.

“Native American Nature Hike” - June 20th

Time: 10 am - 11 am; Location: Picnic Area Amphitheater

A guided hike will discuss with children what plants and animals the Cherokee people used in their daily lives, pointing these plants out along the hike. After the hike, children will have a chance to create a Native American craft to take home with them.

“LP & CL Model Railroad Display” - June 22nd

Time: 10:30 am - 11:30 pm; Location: Visitor Center

Chris Haon will present to children a display of G scale model railroad from his of the LP & CL Railroad collection. This is a great opportunity to introduce children to the hobby of model railroading and learn more about how the history of Kennesaw Mountain was influenced by the closeness of railroad lines. This program encourages questions and interaction!

“You Can’t See Me! A Camouflage Activity” - July 3rd

Time: 11 am - 12 pm; Location: Environmental Trail and Picnic Area Amphitheater

Children will be introduced to the ways animals hide themselves from humans and other predators. An interactive activity will have the children become the “hidden,” helping them understand that the way animals look, move, and behave are all an attempt to stay alive and safe.

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Official List of Trail Names And Trail Locations

Ever wondered what the name of the trail was that you were walking on? Well, here's the list! Enjoy!

Official list of trail names and trail locations

Trail Name	Trail Location
Environmental Trail	Off of the Visitor Center Picnic Area
Kennesaw Mountain Trail	Visitor Center over Mountain top to Kennesaw Mountain Dr.
Little Kennesaw Mountain Trail	Off of Kennesaw Mountain Dr. to Little Kennesaw Mountain to Camp Brumby Trail; connects north of Pigeon Hill
French's Rock	South of Little Kennesaw Mountain
Pigeon Hill Trail	Little Kennesaw Mountain Trail to the Burnt Hickory Rd./Old Mountain Intersection
Pigeon Hill Cut-off	Pigeon Hill Trail to Camp Brumby Trail, south of Pigeon Hill
Visitor Center Cut-off	Behind the Visitor Center to Camp Brumby Cut-off
Camp Brumby Cut-off Link	Kennesaw Mountain Trail to Camp Brumby Trail Camp Brumby Trail to Kennesaw Ave.
Camp Brumby Loop	Circles the Camp Brumby ruins
Camp Brumby Trail	Camp Brumby Cut-off to Burnt Hickory Rd.; formally the East or Base Trail
Noses Creek Trail	Burnt Hickory Rd. Parking Lot south to the Noses Creek Bridge
New Salem Church Trail	South of Burnt Hickory Rd. to Noses Creek Trail
Hardage Mill Trail	Noses Creek Trail, north of intersection with New Salem Church Trail to Whitlock Ave.
Noses Creek Service Road	Southeast of the Noses Creek Bridge
Cease Fire Trail	Whitlock Ave. at Cheatham Hill Dr. entrance to Kolb's farm Connector
Old John Ward Road Trail	Dallas Highway south to Cheatham Hill Rd. Parking Lot
Old John Ward Connector	Cease Fire Trail to Old John Ward Trail
Monument Trail	Cheatham Hill Parking Lot to the Illinois Monument
Unknown Soldier Trail	Behind the Illinois Monument to Kolb's Farm Connector
Kolb's Farm East Trail	Cheatham Hill Rd./Powder Springs Rd. Intersection to Cheatham Hill Parking Lot
Kolb's Farm Connector	Cheatham Hill Rd. Parking Lot to the Kolb's Farm East Trail; crossing Activity Field #3
Kolb's Farm West Trail	Cheatham Hill Rd. Parking Lot to Cheatham Hill Rd./Powder Springs Rd. Intersection

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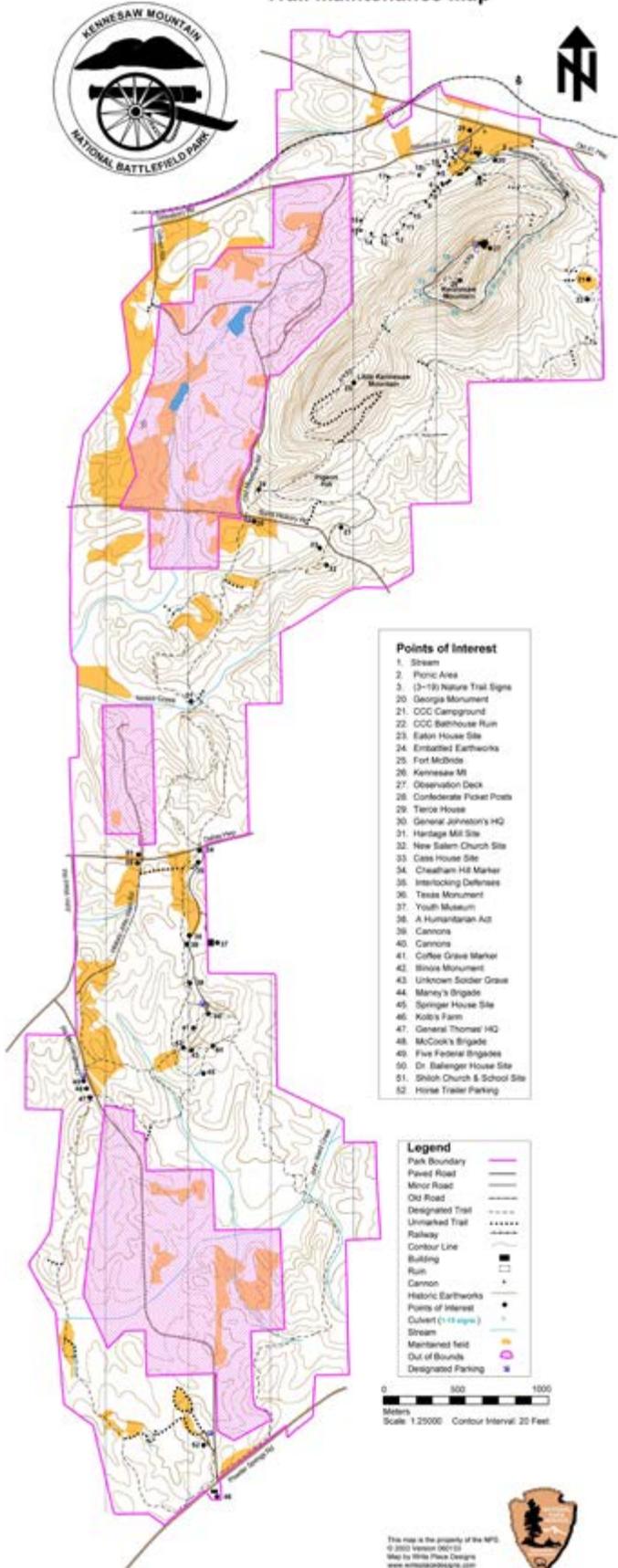


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Trail Maintenance Map



June/July Newsletter Deadline

If you wish to have an article published in the August Newsletter, please submit it to Fred Feltmann at faf1948@bellsouth.net no later than May 20th!