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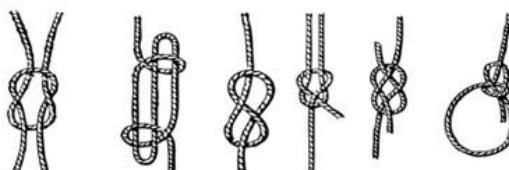
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THE SPRING SOCIAL IS BACK - May 14th! Please RSVP by May 11th!!!

We've changed it to a Potluck at midday at the beautiful Lake Julian. We'll have live music and award presentations under the outdoor pavilion #6 accessed off Hendersonville Road.

Sign up on the [CMC website](#) Log in, then tap on the RED Spring Social button and enter your name and what dish you will be bringing. WHAT FUN!!

[Click here to see attached flyer.](#)



Carolina Mountain Club's Cordage and Craft Beer Appreciation Event

by Jan Onan

Why Knot Get Together is back after two years... Join us outside over a craft beer and maybe dinner for a fun interactive evening!

Why Knot Get Together gatherings allows hikers and hike leaders to learn how to tie a few useful knots for hiking, camping or survival skills. Instruction in the tying and usage of various knots will be led by members of CMC's Search and Rescue Crew. They will bring a variety of cordage and other gear for you to use, but feel free to bring your owns as well.

Come join us for all or some of our 5 meeting dates.

When: Wednesdays from 6:00-7:00:

May 11 - Mills River Brewery

June 8 - Highland Brewery

June 22- Blue Ghost Brewery

July 13 - The Wedge at Foundation

July 27 - Sierra Nevada

Questions, contact Jan at janonan59@gmail.com

Note: Please contact me if you plan to come so we can confirm the location and try to secure a place for all of us to sit together.

New Saturday schedule for the Section Rovers Maintaining Crew

by Jan Onan

In order to accommodate folks who have weekend time to work on the trail, the Section Rovers Crew is adding two Saturdays a month to our weekly Tuesday schedule.

"The purpose of the Section Rovers is to have section maintainers who may or may not be affiliated with a CMC crew to come out and get additional training in trail maintenance."

To read more, [click here](#).

Max Patch and Trail Ambassador Update

by Paul Curtin

As a Trail Ambassador (TA) makes her patrol, she notices a person starting down a social trail to the parking lot instead of using the A.T. loop as shown on the maps. She gets their attention, and then patiently explains using the Authority of the Resource technique she was trained in why the trail is closed and how to use the loop trail to get back. Once informed about the resource damage hiking off trail causes, the hiker gets back on the trail and follows it back to their car. Each small win adds up to a lot over the course of a year.

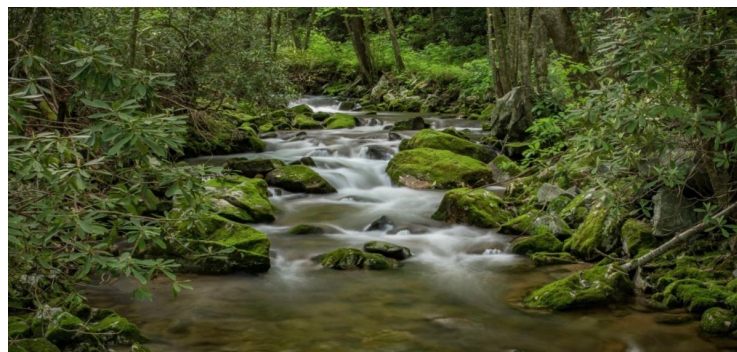
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Youth Partner Challenges

by Jan Onan

One or two Family Friendly Youth Partner Challenge hikes are being scheduled each quarter again. Check the schedule for upcoming hikes and invite a youth to go hiking with you! Be sure to contact the leader to let them know you are coming.

Our first hike was scheduled for May 1st to meet at the Carl Sandburg Parking lot.



You're invited to join the Friends of Rocky Fork State Park

Have you experienced the natural beauty of Rocky Fork State Park on the Tennessee and North Carolina border? The Friends of Rocky Fork State Park exists to support and assist park staff to protect, preserve, promote, and enhance the park.

To read more, [click here](#).

Southern Partnership Meeting

by Paul Curtin

Each year CMC attends the Southern Partnership Meeting, which gathers all the A.T. maintaining clubs in Virginia and south to Georgia, along with the land management agencies and Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC). The meeting is organized by ATC but led by the 13 regional volunteer clubs. This year's meeting was in Damascus VA on April 22 - 24, and attended by about 75 people from the clubs, Forest Service, National Park Service (NPS), SAWS (Southern Appalachian Wilderness Stewards), and ATC.



To read more, [click here](#).

North Carolina Historical Marker Unveiled for CMC's George Masa

by Pete Steurer

On April 8th, North Carolina unveiled a new Historical Highway Marker in downtown Asheville to honor George Masa. I was there, and Carolina Mountain Club president, Tom Weaver, had the honor to help pull the unveiling cord. Masa was an early member of CMC. He died penniless in 1933. CMC had to pay for his burial and memorial stone in Riverside Cemetery. In 1961, Masa had a 6,000-foot mountain named for him. Now he has one of only 1,600 historical markers in our state. His tireless work in mapping the Appalachian Trail and striking photographs of the Great Smokies resulted in preserving these indescribable treasures that we all enjoy today.



To read more, [click here](#).

Theodore Charles Connors Obituary

Theodore Charles Connors
10-13-1940 to 3-20-2022

Everyone who knew him thought highly of him. He never led a hike, but he was a wonderful sweep. There was something in his nature that allowed him to help and encourage those having difficulty on a hike.

To read his obituary, [click here](#).



Interview with Tish Desjardins

by Kathy Kyle

Since joining CMC in 2007 Tish Desjardins has played many roles including maintainer, hike leader, hiker and conservation chair. Her most cherished role though is hiker. Her interest in hiking can be traced back to when she lived in Massachusetts in the 1980s after her two sons were grown and in college.

To read more, [click here](#).

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