

Anniston Outdoor Association

Schedule of Activities

April 2023

April 1 - Pinhoti Trail Hike at Flagg Mountain

This will be a 6.2 mile hike starting at the southern terminus on CC Camp Road and ending at Coosa County Road 56. The trail passes by the Flagg Mountain Tower and several CCC Cabins. The tower stairs have been rebuilt since our last visit and should offer great views from the top. Also, along this section, is the Flagg Mountain Shelter located next to Weogufka Creek. We will leave some vehicles at the County Road 56 ending point, and then shuttle to the southern terminus. Participants should pack a lunch and plenty of water. The meeting time and location for this outing will be 8:00 am from the Quintard Mall parking lot in Oxford. Participants should meet next to the large Quintard Mall sign located in the middle of the parking lot next to AL Highway 21. Those wishing to meet directly at the trail on County Road 56, should be there by 9:20 am. For more information and to register your participation, contact Mike Martin by phone or text at 256-239-2123, or by email at mikemartin6674@gmail.com.

April 22 - Bike & Hike outing on the Chief Ladiga Trail with Southeastern Outing (SEO)

Meet @ [Eubanks Welcome Center](#) 10:20am, estimated finish time about 2-2:30 pm.

BIKING:

Join friendly folks for an 11-mile bicycle ride on the Chief Ladiga Trail in the Piedmont, Alabama area. Ride on Alabama's first extended rails-to-trails conversion route on an old railroad right of way. The portion of this trail we'll be riding on is smooth, 8-10 feet wide and even paved. The trail is suitable for road bikes plus mountain, hybrid and urban bicycles. Ride through towns, fields and picturesque woodlands. No motorized vehicles are allowed on the trail! Bicycle helmets are required and must be worn. Please bring a picnic lunch (or snack) and drink. Also if you have a bike rack which can hold more than one bicycle, please bring it with you to Piedmont in order to facilitate the required car shuttle and advise Dan that you are doing so. The pace of this bicycle ride will be leisurely. From time to time we will stop bicycling just to enjoy the scenery. However, please note that this ride is 11 miles long. We recommend that participants intending to come on this outing have bicycled at least a few times during the 30 days prior. In order to be assured that you can ride comfortably on this trip you should probably be able to ride at an average speed of 8-12 miles per hour on level terrain.

HIKING:

Join friendly folks on an easy 5-mile day hike and picnic on the Chief Ladiga Trail east of Piedmont, Alabama. Walk on Alabama's first extended rails-to-trails conversion route on an old railroad right of way. This smooth trail is wide and level. On this particular hike you will be walking on the most scenic section of the trail. This newly-paved part goes through mostly wooded terrain. Please bring a picnic lunch (or snack) & drink. From the trail you can see Dugger Mountain, one of the newest national wilderness areas in Alabama.

There will be an optional restaurant dinner afterward in Downtown piedmont. You will have an opportunity to shower and/or wash up and change clothes in the Piedmont Civic Center after the hike. If you'd like to shower and/or change clothes, please bring your shower things and/or change of clothes with you. Showers are free!

For more information and to register for this outing, please contact Sean Boogard by phone or text at 256-365-6321, or by email at geometmap@hotmail.com.