

The Hiking Group

Hike Schedule for September 2007

Meet in Safeway parking lot in Ashland at 9:00 am; car pools will leave for trailhead at 9:05 am; passengers reimburse drivers 6¢ per mile. Bring water, lunch, hat, sunscreen and rain gear. TH = trailhead; EDT = estimated drive time; PCT = Pacific Crest Trail; DIM = Dead Indian Memorial Rd; *100 Hikes = 100 Hikes in Southern Oregon*, 1st edition
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September 5, 2007: Blue Lake Basin (p. 108 in *101 Hikes*)

Take DIM to its end point at Hwy 140; turn right (east); after approx 3 mi go left on FS 3651 8.5 mi; turn left onto FS 3659 1.3 mi to parking area at TH; EDT: 90 min

Description: Hike through Sky Lakes Wilderness Area to Blue Lake; return same way. There were lots of huckleberries along the trail last year.

Distance: 10.6 mi RT; elev gain: moderate, since this is a gently undulating trail. RT mileage: TBD (around 110-120 mi)

September 12, 2007: Mt McLoughlin (p. 110 in *101 Hikes*)—meet at 7:30 am; leader: Dan Stubblefield

TH: Take DIM to 22 mile marker; turn left onto FS 37 for 8 miles; turn right on 140 to 36 mile marker; turn left on FS 3661 towards Fourmile Lake for 2.9 mi; then turn left on FS 3650 for 0.2 mi to TH parking lot; EDT: 90 min

Description: Up, up, up and more up all the way to the top, but only the last 1.2 mile, 1300 ft elevation gain portion is really steep. If you don't want to go to the top, there are nice spots to stop along the way above the tree line with good views of the lakes and mountains; best is Sandy Point, some 4 miles in, where the final steep pitch begins.

Distance: 10.6 mi; elev gain: 3915 ft. RT mileage: TBD

September 19, 2007: Raft Trip on Upper Klamath River

For details, contact Brian Gorham at gorhams@charter.net

September 26, 2007: PCT from Siskiyou Gap to Mt Ashland Hwy (p. 137 in *101 Hikes*)

TH: leave shuttle car at PCT crossing of Mt Ashland Hwy, just beyond 7 mi marker; continue past the ski area on FS Rd 20 to PCT crossing at Siskiyou Gap; EDT: 75 min

Description: take advantage of the high country before winter sets in; follow PCT 5 mi to Grouse Gap and continue on some 3 mi to Mt Ashland Hwy; good views of Mt Shasta, Mt McLoughlin, and Pilot Rock

Distance: 8 mi; elev. gain: 1000 ft; RT mileage: 50 mi