
About Us

The Cleveland Hiking Club (CHC) was founded in 1919 to promote and encourage hiking for health and recreation. CHC is one of the oldest, most active, and most diverse hiking clubs in the USA. It is a totally volunteer organization with over 1100 current members.

We offer more than 10 hikes every day year-round, from an easy walk through cities and parks to strenuous ones, from 3 miles to 40 miles, with variable pace from leisure to brisk. We hike in the Cleveland Metroparks, the Cuyahoga Valley National Park, and in other Northeast Ohio communities and park systems. All hikes are open to visitors.

Cleveland Hiking Club is not just local hiking...we sponsor hiking trips throughout the USA and abroad. We also have social events and membership meetings during the year.

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*Hiking for Health
and Recreation*



Getting Started

All hikes are open to visitors—just show up on time (we are very punctual!) and join the group. Wear suitable shoes, dress for the weather, and bring a water bottle.

Consult the hiking club schedule for time, location, and descriptions of our hikes. Start with “Leisure” hikes and work your way up. Watch for descriptors such as “Brisk,” “Energetic” or “Hills,” which present challenges.

When you arrive at the site of the hike, look for a group circling up (we do not have marked cars, flags or other). The leader will ask if there are any visitors, and after the hike is over give you an attendance card to fill out (if you wish).

For more information about hiking with the CHC see our web site at: www.clevelandhikingclub.org

Our Hikes

CHC hikes are listed in our monthly schedules which are published both in printed form and on-line. Our hikes, more than 10 daily, offer various levels of difficulty, distance, pace, starting times, and terrain.

All hikes are at a moderate pace (18 to 20 minutes per mile or about 3 miles per hour) unless designated otherwise.

Leisure hikes are at a 22 to 25 minutes per mile pace while Brisk hikes are faster than Moderate hikes. Energetic hikes are more strenuous and may include steep hills and rougher terrain.

Membership

After six recorded hikes within a 12 month period, you are eligible to join the club and a membership packet will be sent to you with a dues request.

Annual dues are \$30 per individual or \$45 per couple. If you join Sept. 1 or later, initial dues are reduced by 50%.

Join us, meet new friends, and socialize during hikes and at social events throughout the year.