

PATH 70 Mile Club

PATH maintains 70 miles of the Appalachian Trail from VA 670 at the South Fork of the Holston River in Smyth County, VA to US 21/52 in Bland County, VA. As a means of encouraging PATH members as well as our guests to “know our trail”, we have created the “70 Mile Club” hikes. Each hike has been designed as a day hike but could become an overnight adventure if so desired. Hikes are generally described in the direction that allows the hiker to follow the “path of least resistance” or has been determined to be the easiest route. Members hiking the entire 70 Miles will be rewarded with a patch and recognition at the Fall Trail Neighbors banquet. Hikers may use the suggested hikes to complete the 70 miles or create their own strategy to become a member of the “70 Mile Club”. Check PATH’s scheduled hikes as the “70 Mile Club” hikes will be included. To sign up for the club, simply email luv2hikva@gmail.com and complete the short questionnaire that will be returned to you. Share your progress and learn of additional opportunities for hikes, join with others to find hiking partners and carpool and learn of the progress of other participants by sending hike completion information to luv2hikva@gmail.com. Be the first PATHier to earn completion of our entire 70 miles and win special recognition! Be the first nonPATHier, non through hiker to complete the 70 and earn special recognition!

Date Completed GB indicates the Section of the ATC Guidebook where details of the route may be found

_____	Hike 1 – (N to S) Va 16 (3,220’) Mt Rogers HQ GB Sec 41 TO Va. 670, South Fork Holston River (2,450’) GB Sec 41	7.9 miles
_____	Hike 2 – (S to N) Va 16 (3,220’) Mt Rogers HQ GB Sec 41 TO Va 683/US11/I-81(2,420’) Groseclose GB Sec 40	11.5 miles

_____	Hike 3 – (S to N) Va 683/US11/I-81(2,420') Groseclose GB Sec 40 TO Va. 42; (<u>±</u> 2,600') O'Lystery GB Sec 39	11.8 miles
_____	Hike 4 - (N to S) USFS 222 (2,300') Poor Valley Rd GB Sec 38 TO Va. 42; (<u>±</u> 2,600') O'Lystery GB Sec 39	7.5 miles
_____	Hike 5 – (N to S) (Va. 727), Walker Gap (3,520') GB Sec 38 TO USFS 222 (2,300') Poor Valley Rd GB Sec 38	5.0 miles
_____	Hike 6 – (S to N) (Va. 727), Walker Gap (3,520') GB Sec 38 TO Va. 615, Laurel Creek - Suiter (2,450') GB Sec 37	13.5 miles
_____	Hike 7 - (N to S) Va. 612, Kimberling Creek (<u>±</u> 2,600') GB Sec 36 TO Va. 615, Laurel Creek - Suiter (2,450') GB Sec 37	7.7 miles