

**THUNDER BAY HIKING ASSOCIATION
PROGRAM: MARCH – APRIL 2010**

Hiking Hotline: 624-4271 Environment Canada Weather: 345-9111 or 162.475 MHz

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Thursday, March 4th					
10:00 AM – South Site	Coppin Road to Loch Lomond	Difficult	8-10 km	3-4 hr / 30 min	Dave S. Call hotline at 624-4271
Initial steep climb, rolling hills to Loch Lomond overlook. There we will stop for lunch and then return via the loop.					
Saturday, March 6th					
11:00 AM – South Site	Rabbit Mountain	Intermediate	6-7 km	2 hr / 1.5 hr	Sara W. Call hotline at 624-4271
Half-hour steady uphill through maple woods to a small lake, then through a frozen marsh and down the other side of the mountain, across a frozen swamp.					
Wednesday, March 10th					
10:30 AM - North Site	Silver Harbour /Lake Superior	Easy	6-7 km	3 hr / 35 min	George R. Call hotline at 624-4271
A walk/snowshoe on the shore of Lake Superior. Hike depends on weather and ice conditions. Bring drinks and snacks. Dress well.					
Saturday, March 13th					
11:00 AM – North Site	Welsh Mountain	Difficult	7 km	3-4 hr / 1.5 hr	Gordon S. Dave S. Call hotline at 624-4271
Long uphill climb to spectacular vistas of Lake Superior and Ouimet Canyon. Wear sturdy footwear. Bring lunch, fluids and a camera.					
Wednesday, March 17th					
1:00 PM – North Site	Crystal Beach to Mackenzie Point	Easy	6 km	1.5-2 hr / 1 hr	Laurie G. Call hotline at 624-4271
Enjoy a walk along the abandoned railbed, beach roads and the shore of Lake Superior. We will stop for a snack on the shore. Bring drinks and snacks.					
Saturday, March 20th					
10:00 AM – South Site	<u>1st Day of Spring!!!</u> Raven Lake / Ice Falls	Difficult	10-12 km	4-5 hr / 3 hr	Graham S. Call hotline at 624-4271
After a rugged snowshoe to Raven Lake, we will go beyond to a panoramic lookout. Depending on conditions we see a beautiful ice fall.					
Thursday, March 25th					
11:00 AM – North Site	Bently Lake Hike/Snowshoe	Easy/Intermediate	6 km	3 hr / 1.5 hr	Dave S. Call hotline at 624-4271
Hike Onion Lake Dam Road through a marsh and climb a hill to a pretty lake. Well behaved dogs may accompany their owners. Expect some wet sections.					

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Sunday, March 28 th 9:00 a.m. – Hoito Rest.	6 th Annual Film Festival Walk ????	Easy	5 km	1 hr + film time	Laurie G. Call hotline at 624-4271
With the closure of the Cumberland Theatre we don't know where (or if) the film festival will be held this year. But we will meet for brunch at the Hoito Restaurant on Bay St. Following brunch we will walk to the Festival venue (likely LU) to attend an early film (start times around 12:00). Alternatively, we will walk in the area.					
Thursday, April 1 st 11:00 AM – North Site	John St. Road to Hume Falls Hike/Snowshoe	Intermediate	5-6 km	2.5 hr / 45 min	Dave S. Call hotline at 624-4271
Rolling hills to Hume Falls from the end of John Street Road. From Falls up the canyon. Stopping at the top of the canyon, overlooking the Kam River.					
Saturday, April 3 rd 9:30 AM – South Site	Carp River/Squaw Bay Hike	Intermediate/Difficult	12 km	3-4 hr / 1 hr	Donna/Fabio Z. Call hotline at 624-4271
Hike along L. Superior shoreline enjoying spectacular lake/mountain vistas. Stop at Carp R. for rest/refreshments. Return via same route. Snacks and refreshments at Zorzes home post hike.					
Wednesday, April 7 th 10:30 AM – North Site	Brunner Trail – Dorion Snowshoe/Hike	Intermediate	4 km	2.5 hr / 1.5 hr	George R. Call hotline at 624-4271
Short hike with some steep climbs – bring snowshoes with crampons. Bring drinks and a snack. Guaranteed you will see a moose. Hike depends on weather conditions.					
Sunday, April 11 th 1:00 PM – North James Street Soccer Field	Neebing River Recreation Trail	Easy	5 km	2 hr / 1/2 hr	Peter S. Call hotline at 624-4271
Enjoy this relaxing walk with a break for coffee and dessert at the Valhalla Inn.					
Wednesday, April 14 th 12:30 PM – North Site	Hazelwood Lake Snowshoe/Hike	Easy/Intermediate	5-8 km	2-3 hr / 1/2 hr	Laurie H. Call hotline at 624-4271
This will be a hike or snowshoe depending on weather and trail conditions. Hazelwood has 3 trail loops. Depending on time and conditions we may be able to do all 3. Bring water and a snack.					

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Saturday, April 17 th 9:30 AM – South Site	Mission Marsh Conservation Area	Easy	6 km	2-3 hr / 10 min	Pat H. Call hotline at 624-4271
We will walk from the junction of Island Drive & 106 th on Mission Island to the Mission Marsh Conservation Area. Be prepared to spend time walking around the approx. 2 km of trails within the conservation area, enjoying the animals and birds.					
Wednesday, April 21 st 11:30 AM – North Site	Little Falls (Kakabeka) Hike	Intermediate	4.3 km	2.5 hr / 1 hr	Marie C. Call hotline at 624-4271
Narrow trail with some steep ascents and descents beside cliffs and river banks (possible wet sections). Lunch at the Metropolitan Moose in Kakabeka. Parking fee may apply at the Park.					
Saturday, April 24 th 9:00 AM – South Site	Cascades River to the Lookout (USA)	Intermediate	7 km	3 hr / 4 hr	Dave S. Call hotline at 624-4271
From the Cascades Parking lot – follow Cascades River, and then turn towards a gradual climb to two lookouts. Return the same way. Snack afterwards at the Cascades Restaurant. Passports required and out of country insurance is recommended.					
Tuesday, April 27 th 11:00 AM – South Site	Mink Mountain	Intermediate/Difficult	6 km	3 hr / 2 hr	Marie C. Call hotline at 624-4271
This hike climbs 600 feet above Lake Superior for spectacular views at 4 lookouts. Then we descend to walk along the shore. Sturdy footwear is required. Bring lunch, fluids and a camera.					

****** Reminder: Please renew your membership for 2010 ******

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