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# ForestWatch Outing

**Naturalist's Stroll to Raven Cliff Falls  
with Sue Harmon and Bruce O'Connor  
Saturday, March 4th, 2017**



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**Hike Leaders:** Sue Harmon and Bruce O'Connor

**Hike Location:** Raven Cliff Falls

**Outing Description:** We will follow Dodd Creek for 2.5 miles all the way to the spectacular 80-foot cliffs at Raven Cliff Falls. Even though

this trail is located in the Raven Cliffs Wilderness Area, it is heavily used and well worn. It can be a little wet and slippery in places, with at least one rock-hopping stream crossing and one narrow plank bridge over a short stream crossing. There are a few short, rock stair scrambles, but no strenuous climbs are involved. Pace will be leisurely, and we will take our time to pull out our hand lenses, take photographs, and enjoy our surroundings. Geologist Dr. Bruce O'Connor will add his rock knowledge here and there. We'll lunch at the falls and return by the same route to our cars in the trail head parking area.

**Hike Date:** Saturday, March 4th, 2017

**Meeting Time, Place and Directions:** We will meet at 10:00 am at the trail head parking lot. Take GA 75 north from Helen for 1.5 miles. Turn left onto GA 356 (75 Alternate) and travel 2.3 miles to the Richard B. Russell Scenic Highway. Turn right and travel 2.8 miles to the trail head and parking area.

**Distance and Difficulty:** Total of 5 miles, in and out, moderate difficulty.

**Duration of hike:** 4-5 hours. We should be back to our cars by 2 or 3 pm.

**Participant Limit:** Hike leaders + 10

**What to Bring and Wear:** Lunch, plenty of water, rain gear, sturdy footwear (If allergic to bees/wasps, remember to bring your meds/epi-pen.)

**Cancellation:** If the hike must be cancelled due to a forecast of severe weather or otherwise, all hikers will be notified by email by 6 pm the evening before the hike.

**Pet Policy:** No pets please.

**Family Safe Policy:** Georgia ForestWatch Outings are a smoke, alcohol and drug-free setting.

## **Sign Up Now!** **Reservations Required**

Our outings are free of charge and open to everyone on a first come, first served basis, up to the limit. **BUT DON'T FORGET**, Georgia ForestWatch members are given priority on our hikes. To learn how you can become a member, [click here](#).

**To Reserve Your Spot:** Register [online](#) or call 706-867-0051 with the following information.

1. Name of person(s)

2. Your email address
3. Your phone number (preferably cell if you will be carrying it on the outing day)

For more information on the hike, OR if you need directions on the day of the outing, contact Sue Harmon at [suepharmon@gmail.com](mailto:suepharmon@gmail.com) or 770-540-3672. Please note that the Georgia ForestWatch office is not open on weekends, so you will need to contact Sue directly.

### ***Upcoming Outings & Events - Mark Your Calendars!***

March 25th, 2017 - Keown Falls and Johns Mountain Loop Trails - *with Robin Hitner*

April 8th, 2017 - Poetry Hike at Lake Winfield Scott - *with Brenda Smith and Lyn Hopper*

April 21st, 2017 - Till Ridge Hike - *with Forest Ecologist Jess Riddle and Mike Brod, USFS Fire and Natural Resources Staff Officer*

April 29th, 2017 - Wild & Woolly Forest Festival at Sautee Nacoochee Center. Old-growth and spring wildflower pre-event hikes for Wild & Woolly participants - *with Jess Riddle and Jim Sullivan*

