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ForestWatch Outing

Outing Alert

February 28th, 2018

**Rabun Bald St. Patrick's Day
Slow Poetry Hike
Saturday, March 17th, 2018**

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Rabun Bald - Photo by Sue Harmon

Hike Leaders: Sue Harmon and Brenda Smith

Hike Location: Rabun Bald

Hike Date: Saturday, March 17, 2018

Outing Description: We would like to make up for a couple of hikes that got cancelled over the last year, so we are combining Rabun Bald and poetry! We will shuttle over to Bee Gum Gap where we will pick up the trail and hike a slow pace up to the top of Rabun Bald, stopping here and there to share a favorite nature poem or passage. The usual stops for naturalist musings and photography are welcome. Once on the Bald we will enjoy the 360-degree views and have lunch. We will naturally move a little more quickly descending the mountain after lunch and will likely take the old road bed down for a different view.

Meeting Time, Place and Directions: Meet at 10:00 am at the Ingles in Clayton. As you face the store, we will be gathering on the right side, near the South State Bank. See a Google map [here](#).

Distance and Difficulty: Hike total is 3 miles. Casual pace for the 1.5 mile climb up to the tower. Faster pace on the downhill return.

Duration: We should be back to our cars by 3:00 pm.

Participant Limit: 20

What to Bring and Wear: Lunch, plenty of water, rain gear, and sturdy footwear. If allergic to bees/wasps, remember to bring your meds/epi-pen. Bring your favorite nature poem or short passage to share with others if you feel so inclined. This is optional.

Cancellation: Hikers will be notified if the outing is canceled due to forecast of severe weather, etc.

Pet Policy: No pets, please

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

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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**, members are given priority on our hikes. ****If you are NOT a ForestWatch member, please register AFTER Friday, March 2nd.**** To learn how you can become a ForestWatch member, [click here](#).

To Reserve Your Spot: Please register online [here](#), or call or email us

(706-867-0051, info@gafw.org) 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 outing, OR if you need directions on the day of the hike, please contact Sue Harmon by email [here](#), or call the phone number provided in your confirmation email. Please note that the ForestWatch office is not open on weekends, so you will need to contact Sue directly.

Upcoming Outings & Events - Mark Your Calendars!

March 3rd - April 13th - Appalachian Mountain Treasures Photography Exhibit at The Bowen Center for the Arts, Dawsonville, GA

Saturday, March 24th - Keown Falls and Johns Mountain Trails - *with Robin Hitner*

Saturday, April 7th - Geology, Ecology and History along NE GA's Davidson Creek, Habersham County - *with Dr. Bill Witherspoon and Ben Cash*

Saturday, April 28th - Ramp Cove Wildflowers and Big Trees - *with Jess Riddle*

Saturday, May 5th - Slow Hike--Wildflowers and Conasauga History - *with John Moeller*

