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August 13 Work Day

The August Work Day will be conducted on the Hardage Mill Trail. Parking will be in the field next to the Pigeon Hill Parking lot located at Burnt Hickory and Old Mountain Rd..

Mike Collett
Trails Director

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COVID-19 Policy Update

COVID-19 levels within Cobb County has been elevated to HIGH.

Because of this change within the COVID numbers, beginning Sunday, July 3, 2022, masks will be required in all federal buildings.

So please remember to wear your masks in the park Visitor Center. Park management will continue to monitor the COVID levels for the county and hopefully levels will decrease soon.

We will provide with you with an updated email once the mask requirements change.

Below is the CDC's COVID-19 Community Level website. Data is updated weekly

COVID-19 Community Levels | CDC

Sincerely,

Amanda Corman

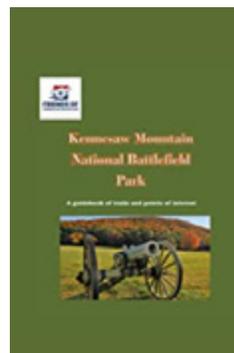
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Welcome, Ray Hamel!

Please welcome our newest NPS staff Member, Ray Hamel. He will be taking the position of Chief of Interpretation. He previously worked at the Vicksburg National Battlefield Park.

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Guidebook

The Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Guidebook sponsored by the Friends of KMNBP is now available on Amazon.



September Newsletter Deadline

If you wish to have an article published in the September Newsletter, please submit it to Fred Feltmann at faf1948@bellsouth.net no later than August 20th!

KMTC Annual Business Meeting

The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club's Annual Business Meeting is presently scheduled for September 17, 2022 at 9 am in the Education Room of the Park Visitor's Center. Club Officers/Directors will be elected and installed for the coming year, an update on Park status & activities, and a look-ahead to upcoming Club activities will be provided. Also, select Club Officers/Directors will report on their areas of responsibility. Per our current By-Laws, all Voting Members (Officers, Directors, Trail Ambassadors and Crew Leaders) and Community Volunteers (individuals who have participated in, at least, one club event/activity during the current calendar year) are welcome to attend the Annual Business Meeting.

While nominees will be accepted at the meeting from the floor, the present nominees for election to office for the 2022 – 2023 year are:

President--Donald Olds
Vice President--Raj Gupta
Secretary--Laurie Poppell
Treasurer--Tom Okerberg
Trails Director--Mike Collett
Community Volunteer Director--Rena Bailey
Communications Director--Fred Feltmann
Newsletter Editor--Fred Feltmann
Information/Technology Director--Jerry Givan
Trail Ambassador Co-Directors--Wendy Turner and Gayle McAllister
Plants Director--Danny Leigh
Fundraising Director--Scott Mackay
Records Management--Laurie Poppel

(Floor nominations will also be accepted for the other positions as well.)

A Special Thanks!

Each year we have various groups who come out and help us. Henceforth, we will make every attempt to list your group here for the current/past fiscal year. If you are participating as a group, be sure to let us know when you are registering!

Following is a list, in alphabetical order, of the groups who participated during Fiscal 2019 (October 2019- September 2020 and Fiscal 2021 (October 2020- Present):

FY 2021

ALLATOONA HS NJROTC
ATLANTA OUTDOOR CLUB (AOC)
HILLGROVE HS JNROTC
ISMAILI CIVIC
KMTC CREW LEADERS
KSU CROSS COUNTRY TEAM
KSU HEALTH CLASS
REI
WALTON HIGH SCHOOL
WHEELER HIGH SCHOOL



FY 2022

ALLATOONA HIGH SCHOOL HONOR SOCIETY
ALLATOONA HS NJROTC
ATLANTA OUTDOOR CLUB (AOC)
BSA TROOP 2319
HILLGROVE HS NJROTC
KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY (KSU)
LINCOLN TECH
MARIETTA HS SPORTSMANS CLUB
MOUNT PARAN
WHEELER HS, HELPING HANDS

This Past Month's Volunteers

The July Work Day was cancelled because of weather.

“Other” Volunteers Needed!

Interested in being more active with the Trail Club (or the Friends), but don't want to do Crew Leader or Trail Ambassador work? See page 7 for a list of activities/functions needed to maintain the organizations and contact the various department heads to volunteer!



Crew Leader & Trail Ambassador Positions Available!

Contact Mike Collett (regarding Crew Leader positions) or Donald Olds (Trail Ambassador positions) if interested.

Mike Collett - trails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

Gayle McAllister/Wendy Turner -

ambassador@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

*School's back in session - be
careful out there!*



Newsletter Sign-up

Would you like to receive our newsletter? To sign up, click on the following link: <http://eepurl.com/gKjX1n> Complete and submit this form. You'll be added to our subscription list.

Wish to unsubscribe? Simply follow the instructions at the bottom of the email forwarding the newsletter link, and you'll be permanently removed from our mailing list. To re-subscribe, you will need to use a different email address - removal is permanent for the original email address!

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Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!

2021/2022 Fund Raising

Your volunteer hours help greatly for the many projects we do in the park and we greatly appreciate you contributing your “sweat equity” alongside our 80+ staff volunteers who routinely support each event. We are a non-profit all volunteer organization. However, like any business, we do have bills to pay.

Many of our projects are funded by the park or through grants we apply for. These funds are typically targeted for specific projects and do cover the big expenses such as rocks, stone dust, dirt, wood beams, bridges, fences, and such. But, after all the big stuff is paid for, we still have need to cover our day-to-day operating expenses for things like saw blade sharpening, fuel, tool repairs, equipment maintenance, work gloves, bug spray, drinking water, snacks, and porta-potties, along with basic business expenses - e.g. insurance. For these expenses, we rely on your donations.

Each year we kick off a new round of fund raising and this is the 2021/2022 big “ask.” We need your help with this, even small donations help. We will conclude this drive at the end of FY 2022 (September, 2022).

As we approach our 19th year in operation, we ask you to please think ‘20’, like \$20.. \$40.. \$60..... \$200... \$2000. All donations to the Trail Club support our work at the park, and are tax deductible.

We are a nationally recognized club - having been presented the highest award in the National Park Service in 2014, “The Hartzog Award for Volunteer Group.” There are several ways to donate:

- Use Guidestar on the bottom of our home page on the Trail Club website <http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>
- Subscribe to Amazon “Smile” where they will donate to us based on your purchases <https://smile.amazon.com/> - look for KEMO Trails Corps
- Send a tax deductible contribution to:

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club*
Attn: Tom Okerberg
Whitlock Accounting Services
739 Kennesaw Avenue NW
Marietta, Ga. 30060

ALSO: Please check with employers about matching donations.

* Our Corporate name is KEMO Trail Corps, Inc., an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation.



Donor's Corner A Special Thanks!

Each year we have members and volunteers who donate their time and talent in support of all the happenings at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. Following is a list, in alphabetical order, of the members and sponsors who have donated during October, 2021 through September, 2022.

Annual Donations to date: Financial calendar is October - September)

2022

\$1085.03

AMAZON SMILES
HARRY CARPENTER
FRED & ANDREA FELTMANN
GAM GRAHAM
TOM OKERBERG
CURT SPINNEY
DAVID & PAMELA YERDEN



Four Ways To Donate

You can support the Friends in 4 ways:

1. Directly through our website - <http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>
2. Through Guidestar (Network for Good) - <https://tinyurl.com/ra4d8dj>
3. Through Amazon Smile (By way of donations when you make a purchase on Amazon) - <https://smile.amazon.com/> -set up/log in and search for "KEMO Trails Corps"
4. Send a tax deductible contribution to:

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club
Attn: Tom Okerberg
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Thanks for your support!

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
8/13	8:30 am - noon	Pigeon Hill Parking Lot Parking lot at Burnt Hickory and Old Mountain Rd.	August Work Day- Hardage Mill Trail
9/10	8:30 am - noon	TBD	September Work Day
10/8	8:30 am - noon	TBD	October Work Day

All trails are now open. All parking lots, and the Mountain Rd., are now open. Visitor Center is now open, as is the Museum Theater. The Mountain Rd. is open to motorized vehicles on weekdays.

The Mountain Top Concession Stand is now open on weekends and Holidays through September, from 10 AM till 5 PM.

See page 13 for NPS sponsored events in August.

The horse trail crossing on John Ward Creek on the Kolb Farm East Trail is closed until further notice because of the treacherous creek crossing there.

Register for Our Work Days!

Be sure to register online for our Work Days at tinyurl.com/27ef2vph. By registering, we can be better prepared with the amount of tools, bottled water, gloves, etc. on hand.



Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Work Day Schedule:

Parking and registration will be in the field next to the Pigeon Hill Parking lot - located at Burnt Hickory and Old Mountain Rd.. Vehicle Entrance Passes will issued at registration.

The Trail Club will provide supervision and tools. Volunteers should wear work clothes and closed toed shoes. Participants are encouraged to bring their own water, work gloves and masks. The NPS Volunteer Service Agreement and COVID forms are required, signed by a parent or guardian, if the student is under 18 years old. The forms are available on the trail club web site: <http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/volunteer.php>

If your school, church, business, or community organization would like to schedule a special work day as a team building or public service activity once we resume our work day schedules, e-mail us at trails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org at least 4 weeks in

advance. Trail work can be performed any day of the week.

We work closely with the Park Service and assist the park staff by providing critically needed volunteer effort to install signs, build bridges, and maintain the 20+ miles of trails. Since our beginning in 2002, the Trail Club has donated over 281,000 volunteer hours to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

We hope to see you at a work day as soon as we return to our normal work days.

The Friends of Kennesaw Mountain Are Looking For A Few Good Folks!

Like the Trail Club, the Friends have many opportunities for volunteers to provide services to the Park. Here are a few select ones:

Butterfly Garden & Plant Nursery Coordinator - This individual would work with the NPS staff at the park to coordinate volunteer projects around the Park

Citizen Science Program Coordinator - This individual would work with the NPS staff to coordinate volunteer projects around the Park regarding such things as:

- Compile data to monitor health in the park
- Water sampling
- Bird species counts
- Flowering plant species counts
- Effects of our changing climate

160th Anniversary (2024) Coordinator - This individual would head up a volunteer group to coordinate various activities with the NPS staff to conduct the 160th Anniversary of the Battle for Kennesaw Mountain.

Activities might be:

- Fundraising
- Parking
- Food logistics for feeding the various volunteers
- General logistics
- Publicity
- Hospitality Services

Endowment Fund Chair - Coordinate/lead the activities necessary to establish an Endowment Fund for the Friends:

- Policies
- Publicity
- Establish a core group to manage it

Legal Secretary

For more information on these positions, contact Scott Mackay - President@TheFriendsOfKMNB.onmicrosoft.com



Letter To The Editor Of The *Marietta Daily Journal*

The following article appeared June 28, 2022, in the *Letters to the Editor* section of the *Marietta Daily Journal*. The article below is reproduced with their consent. Many thanks to all of the volunteers who help us on each work day! As you can see your efforts are well appreciated!

Thanks, *Marietta Daily Journal*, for printing it! And thanks to the many organizations who work to make Marietta what it is!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR| YOUR OPINION Marietta proud

DEAR EDITOR:

My wife Diane and I have so many reasons to be proud Mariettans, starting most recently by hosting the "March for Our Lives" rally on Saturday June 11, followed by "Juneteenth" on Saturday June 18. That being said, many other reasons come to mind: Marietta Public Schools System, Parks and Recreation, Public Works and Sanitation, Police and Fire Departments, all the very best in the state of Georgia. Our numerous voluntary civic organizations that strive to preserve and improve our quality of living, a few being: Marietta Tree Keepers, Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club, Marietta Historical Preservation Commission, Must Ministries, The Root House, Support the Strand, Cobb County Master Gardeners, M-Star Neighborhood Watch. Of course, Dansby Swanson, a Marietta High School graduate and a World Champion Atlanta Braves shortstop who continues to be a shining star for Marietta. Please accept our apologies if we failed to mention one of the dozens of organizations or groups that may be dear to your heart. Chalk it up to being senior citizens (over 70), an excuse we find ourselves using more often everyday.

Ron and Diane Mercure Marietta



The Friends Of Kennesaw Mountain

The Friends of Kennesaw Mountain's mission is to raise funds to support programs and projects at the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

Your Membership helps to fund this mission.

Please join us.

Our website is FriendsOfKMNB.org.

Visit to find out more info, to donate, or to sign up for one of our Board positions or to register as a member of the Friends organization.

Our Mission:

The mission of the Friends of Kennesaw Mountain is to work in partnership with the National Park Service and the local community to provide volunteers and raise funding to support activities such as:

- Visitor & Away Events
- Transportation, Housing, and Feeding of volunteer groups (example: Living History, Student Conservation Association, Invasive Plants Team)
- Museum Upgrades and Indoor and Outdoor Exhibit Additions (& the Wallis House)
- Restrooms, Parking, and Picnic Area Facilities
- Trails, Fire Roads, and Bridges Maintenance
- Educational Day Trips and Vacation Camps
- Volunteer-In-Park Training Programs

The ultimate goal is to create endowments for the most significant expense items and move them toward a sustainable and perpetual self-funded status that reduces the need for these items to rely on federal budget support.

KMTC Contact List - Updated 5/27/22

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KMTC Website		http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/
NPS Website		https://www.nps.gov/KEMO
Facebook Page		http://www.facebook.com/kmtcsocial
Volunteer Sign-up website*		www.tinyurl.com/27ef2vph

* updated

To All Of Our KMTC 'Members Past And Present

Maria and I have thoroughly enjoyed living adjacent to Kennesaw Mountain National Park and volunteering our time as crew leaders for a number of years. We are happy that we could be good stewards for the trail behind our home maintaining it against erosion, fallen trees & limbs, the wildlife, discouraging errant bike & motorcycle riders and being a helpful resource to hikers & pet owners. Our sons have grown up along Kolb East trail and have thrived enjoying the park and helping out with the club & trails when they could.

It is now time for us to relocate to SC but we will miss (and that simple word 'miss' doesn't truly portray how much) the park & trails outside our back door. We will also miss the wonderful volunteers, some of which are no longer with us, whom we have gotten to know over the years. There will always be fond memories of many volunteers who gave so much of themselves in service to the trail club, but are no longer able to physically volunteer their time & service to the park and KMTC.

This doesn't mean goodbye for good, as we will always journey back to Kennesaw Mountain National Park.

Richard Kozicki
Crew Leader



Photos by Marie Kozicki.





Photos by Marie Kozicki.



Photo Gallery



*Hi! Just checkin in!
Whatcha working on, Rich?
Are you gonna feed me today?
Photo by Marie Kozicki.*

*Doug Tasse walking in the Marietta Independence Day Parade
- way to go Doug!*



*More Park Residents enjoying the day - photo by Fred Finzer.
Here's looking at you!*

Sweeping Sand

This is a borrowed line from a recent New Yorker Magazine: "Sweeping Sand off The Beach." There's no need to go into the article itself, it's that one line that caught my attention. How pointless is it to sweep sand in the face of an insurmountable location. The idea alone brings up all sorts of thoughts. Especially for "Trail



Work." Figure there are some 23 miles of trail at Kennesaw Mountain. Where do you start and what do you do to maintain trails? Well, here are immediate repairs, maintenance needs and just stuff to make it look better. Now, figure out what to do and do it without damaging anything. That can be tough to figure out but it is necessary, especially at the Battlefield Park- historical preservation for future generations.

Go to a beach and build a sand castle, scoop up some sand and move it around. At the beach that's not a problem, because there's no structural damage and it can be pushed over or the tide will wash it over the beach. However, dig a hole or pit and that is damage. Yes, it will fill in over time but a jogger could stumble in or as recently reported the pit could cave in and a fatality occurs.

Yuk, there's a lot of news about sharks in the water and now maybe you won't want to go to the beach because of the sand. Ok, now that I have your attention, how in the world does this sand stuff have anything to do with "Trail Work." As usual, it's simple. Yes, there are immediate needs, like moving a fallen tree or debris off the trail. Then maintenance like clearing drain areas and refreshing the water diversions across trails, sweeping up the trail heads, raking leaves and clearing brush and invasive plants. Much like at the beach move things around or better said keep in order. Like don't mess with the sand dunes, no digging. Don't pull the sea oats; if it's not pointed out as invasive - then don't mess with it.

There aren't "Lifeguards" on the Trail but there are Crew Leaders and Trail Ambassadors to lead and guide you. And ,your work is not as pointless as sweeping sand off a beach, because the work you did may not look like much and that's the key point of preservation.

Then someday you'll have, like me, lunch with a friend and they'll say, "you know I go to Kennesaw Mountain and there's no trash or bottles laying around." Like a popular clean beach - you'll know why.

Thanks,

Doug Tasse

Expect delays at Dallas Hwy and

Whitlock Ave

Crews will start clearing work for the Whitlock Avenue trail segment of the Kennesaw Mountain Pedestrian Improvements on Monday, Oct. 25. Significant delays are expected along Dallas Highway/Whitlock Avenue between John Ward Road and Cheatham Hill Drive. Crews will be working in the area from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays, and road capacity will be reduced to one lane.

Traffic delays are expected to be worse in the afternoon in the westbound direction. Alternate routes are recommended.

For more information, contact Cobb DOT at 770-528-1623. Expected completion is July 30, 2023. Click [here](#) for general info on Cobb County projects.

See also:

<http://www.cobbcommute.org/1311#/> - Dallas Hwy

<http://www.cobbcommute.org/1257#/> - Cheatham Hill Rd.

Proposed and Existing Trails in Cobb County

For those who would like to know what the existing trails in Cobb County are, check out <https://geo-cobbcountyga.hub.arcgis.com/apps/55470d12c0814f1f8c68e96724610e87/explore>.

Regarding proposed trails for Cobb County, check out the following link:

<https://www.cobbcounty.org/transportation/planning/trails>. This website has both proposed and current trail maps.





Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Interpretive Programs for August

*All outdoor programs are weather- dependent.

*All programs are held at the Visitor Center unless otherwise noted.

August 6, 11 am: Pigeon Hill Hike

“Presently, and as if by magic, there sprung from the earth a host of men, and in one long, waving line of blue the infantry advanced.”- General Samuel French. Some of the toughest fighting of the war occurred on a small spur just below the dual- peaks of Kennesaw. This Ranger- led hike will describe the futile Union assault and the Confederate defense of Pigeon Hill. We will meet at the Pigeon Hill parking area
(GPS Coordinates: 33.963276, -84.594391)

and will go up the rocky slope. The hike is moderate, so bring good shoes and plenty of water.

August 7, 11 am: Assault Trail Hike

“And how can a man die better, than by facing fearful odds- for the ashes of your fathers and the temples of your gods?” This Ranger- led guided hike will put you in the footsteps of the Union soldiers, re- tracing their charge against the Confederate trenches at Cheatham Hill. The hike begins at the Activity

Area 3 parking lot (GPS Coordinates: 33.933020, -84.604780)

August 13: 11, 12, 2, & 3:00 pm: Infantry Demonstrations

Come on out and see our living history volunteers and Rangers set up camp right next to the Visitor Center and live life for a day as Civil War infantryman. Rifle firings will occur at the above- specified times. We will also go over basic drill, school of the soldier, arms and accoutrements and even food and disease.

August 14: 11, 12, 2, & 3:00 pm Artillery Demonstrations

Artillery was a vital component to the operations of both armies during the Atlanta Campaign and played a key role in several engagements during the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Come and join us for some interaction.

August 27: 11, 12, 2, & 3:00 pm Artillery Demonstrations

Artillery was a vital component to the operations of both armies during the Atlanta Campaign and played a key role in several engagements during the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Come and join us for some interaction.

August 28: 11, 12, 2, & 3:00 pm: Infantry Demonstrations

Come on out and see our living history volunteers and Rangers set up camp right next to the Visitor Center and live life for a day as Civil War infantryman. Rifle firings will occur at the above- specified times. We will also go over basic drill, school of the soldier, arms and accoutrements and even food and disease.

*** For more program details, please contact Visitor Center at 770-427-4686, ext. 0, or visit our website at www.nps.gov/kemo



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Kennesaw Mountain News Release

Release Date: Immediately

Contact: Marjorie Thomas, Marjorie_thomas@nps.gov, 770-427-4686 x 231

John Ward Creek Crossing Closed to Horseback Riders

Kennesaw, GA – Effective immediately, the John Ward Creek crossing just south of the Illinois Monument is closed to horseback riders until further notice. This closure stems from a safety concern due to hazardous conditions relating to an unstable streambed. The closure affects the creek crossing between Milepost 3.5 and Milepost 4 of the Kolb's Farm East Trail.

Superintendent Patrick Gamman states, "We are concerned for the safety of all park users. Crossing John Ward Creek at this section of the trail poses a risk that we want to alert our horse community to, as it could potentially cause harm to both horse and rider. We will be working as quickly as possible to mitigate this problem."

Please contact the park at 770-427-4686 or visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/kemo for further information.

[The National Park Service](#)

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Kennesaw Mountain News Release

Release Date: Immediately

Contact: Kennesaw Mountain Fee Division, kemo_fees@nps.gov, 770-427-4686

Kennesaw Mountain “22 for ’22 Hiking Challenge”

Kennesaw, GA – Effective starting May 30, 2022. To promote the health and fitness of the community, Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield (NBP) invites the public to participate in the “22 for ’22 Hiking Challenge”. Between Memorial Day (5/30) and Labor Day (9/05), visitors are invited to stretch their legs and hike the 22 miles of Kennesaw Mountain’s trail system as designated by the challenge. The trails included will span all of the park’s major trail loops and include many historic earthworks and key battle locations. A special prize will be awarded to those that complete the challenge! Supplies are limited, and will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.

To participate, visitors can pick up a log sheet from the Visitor Center, or contact kemo_fees@nps.gov to have one emailed to them. They will use this to keep track of their mileage and have it signed off by a ranger or volunteer. Proof of paid entrance fee will be required for participation.

Please contact the park at 770-427-4686 or visit the park’s website at www.nps.gov/kemo for further information.

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<http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>

22 for '22 Hiking Challenge!

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park invites you to hike all 22 miles of our trails between Memorial Day and Labor Day to win a free prize!

Download your log sheet from our website or pick one up the Visitor Center

Hike a trail and have a Ranger sign your log sheet

Complete all 22 miles of trails between May 30th and September 5th

Once the log sheet is complete, turn it in at the Visitor Center for a prize!

Contact us for more information!

Visitor Center address:
900 Kennesaw Mountain Drive,
Kennesaw, GA 30152

Phone: 770-427-8868
www.nps.gov/KEMO

Visitor Center hours: 9am to 5pm daily. Prizes are limited. Proof of entrance pass must be shown to earn credit for trails hiked.

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park 22 FOR '22 HIKING CHALLENGE!

*Explore our
trails!*

*Post your pics and tag us at
#KEMO22for22!*

How does it work?

- Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, hike all the trails in the park
- Have a Ranger sign off on your log sheet after you have completed a trail
- Once the log sheet is filled, turn it in to the Visitor Center for your prize!

*Prizes are first come first serve. Proof of valid entrance (daily passes, Kennesaw Annual or America the Beautiful annual/lifetime passes) must be shown to gain credit for trails hiked. For additional questions, call the Visitor Center at 770-427-4686.

Trail Name	Date Completed	Ranger Signature
Mountain Loop - 5.8 miles		
Environmental Loop - 1.3 miles		
24 Gun Trail - 2.3 miles		
Noses Creek Trail - 3.6 miles		
New Salem Church Trail - 1 mile		
Old John Ward Road, Cease Fire and Assault Trail - 2.15 miles		
Kolb Farm Loop (starting at the parking lot at Cheatham Hill) - 5.6 miles		

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