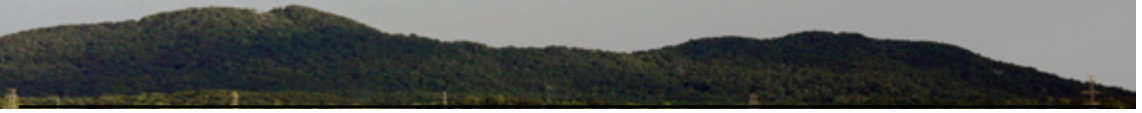




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158th Anniversary Events

The commemoration of the 158th Anniversary of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain will be held on June 25th and 26th. More details will be provided in the June Newsletter.

June 11, 2022 Work Day

Our next workday is Saturday, June 11, 2022. We will be cleaning the area around the earthworks and three cannons by Cheatham Hill Dr, near the Illinois Monument.

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The Mountain Store Trailer Is Now Open On Weekends Through September

Eastern National is now open and will remain open on weekends and major holidays until the last weekend in September (September 25th). The store will be open from 10 am until 5 pm and have hats, t-shirts, snacks, water, Powerade and ice cream for sale for our hikers and other visitors to the mountain.

[Dan Beard](#)

Work Day 05-14-22

We had 6 crew leaders and 4 under instruction for the workday. They were Bill, Eric, Scott, Fred, Danny, and Mike. Luke, Tom, Sarah, and Vicki were under instruction as new crew leaders.

James has volunteered to assist us as a photographer and worked this weekend with Fred to learn the ropes.

We had individual volunteers from Hillgrove High School, the Atlanta Outdoor Club, and those that signed up online totaling twenty-one.

Danny took three volunteers to remove Garlic Mustard on Kennesaw Mountain. I split the remaining volunteers into two groups. The first group with Eric and Luke took four volunteers to work on lines 1, 2, and 3. These were the trashing projects between fire road and fire road. After completing them they skipped line 4 due to us not having enough volunteers to complete it and proceeded to lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. They completed all but 10 which was to stop the trail creep on the left side of the grand staircase. About a quarter of what needed done was accomplished. The second group with Bill, Sarah, Vicki, Tom, and Mike started on line 11 we brought the fencing up from the staging area, added a fourth row to three sections, installed thirteen new sections

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July Newsletter Deadline

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

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four high, and trashed out the area. Upon completion of this line, we proceeded to lines 12 and 13 on trail creep and trashing a social trail, completing both of these lines.

On Friday, May 13, Bill, Eric, Bob, Luke, Tom, and Mike staged fencing at the bottom of the grand staircase and put out flags.

Mike Collett
Trails Director

April 9, 2022 Work Day

With cold weather and 5 to 10 minutes of sleet; 8 crew leaders, Rich, Scott, Bill, Andy, Curt, Fred, Danny, and Mike, and 2 under instruction Robert and Andrew. We split into three groups. The first under Danny removed Garlic Mustard on Kennesaw Mountain. I split the remaining volunteers into two groups. The first group with Rich, Andy, and Bill started at the first fencing project on the workplan, #1 – just above the Grand Staircase, moving up the mountain. The second group with Curt, Robert, and Andrew started at the last fencing project on the workplan, #7 – just below the stairs to the upper parking lot, moving down the mountain. Even with the 5 to 10 minutes of sleet that was not in the forecast. We accomplished all 7 fencing items and the invasive species project on the workplan. Completing all 7 projects with time left Rich's group went down to Fire Road cleaning ditches and corrected some drainage issues. Curt's group trashed out a short social trail and not having enough new fencing we took some of the old attempting to block the social trails heading up the mountain from the lookout area with the bench.

Mike Collett
Trails Director

Crew Leader Training Class

On Saturday, April 30, 2022, Amanda and Mike conducted a class for new Crew Leaders. We had thirteen possible volunteers attend.

Mike Collett
Trails Director

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Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!

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.

Current NPS Covid 19 Status

- Masks are discretionary while in the Visitor Center
- Shuttle bus is not restarting until later this Spring.
- The theater has reopened and the film regarding the battle for Kennesaw Mountain is now being shown.

Please refer to <https://www.nps.gov/aboutus/news/public-health-update.htm> for general info regarding Covid protocols.

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!

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

We had 21 volunteers at our May Work Day. They represented Allatoona HS NJROTC, the Atlanta Outdoor Club and BSA Troop 2319.



Grant Writer Needed

One of the ways of getting funds for the various activities supported by the Friends/KMTC is to receive grants. To do



this, the Friends (and KMTC) need the expertise of someone who is versed in completing grant applications. If you are interested in this worthwhile endeavor, please contact Scott Mackay - President@TheFriendsOfKMNBP.onmicrosoft.com. In the past the Trail Club has successfully applied for grants of \$10,000 and more. One of these successful efforts provided the funds to build the bridge across John Ward Creek on the Kolb Farm West Trail! Other grants that the Trail Club successfully applied for included the funding of the Ticket-To-Ride program providing transportation, program and materials to introduce grade school children to the park. So this is a very important and worthwhile position on the Friends Board. Our previous grant writer retired after 15 years of successful service to the Trail Club. We look forward to hearing from anyone interested in this volunteer position if you would more details/information about this position.

“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

Donald Olds (Interim) -

ambassador@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

Training Positions Available!

In an effort to improve smoother transitions in leadership, we are adding training slots for the various Directors and President. Initial training slots are for President/Vice President, Trail Ambassador Director and Communications Director. Contact Donald Olds - ambassador@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org - [for additional information](http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org).

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.



Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
6/11	8:00 am - noon	Cheatham Hill Drive Parking Lot	National Trails Day/KMTC Work Day
6/25 - 6/26		Various Park Locations	158th Anniversary
7/9	8:30 am - noon	TBD	KMTC Work Day -
8/13	8:30 am - noon	TBD	KMTC Work Day -

All NPS outdoor events at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park are being conducted.

See Pages 11 - 16 for a list of NPS Staff Events for June.

All trails are open. All parking lots are open. The Mountain Road parking lot is open when the Mountain Road is open.

Visitor Center is now open, masks are discretionary.

The Visitor Center theater is now open and the movie is now showing.

The Mountain Rd. is open to motorized vehicles on weekdays (excluding major holidays), however the Park bus is not making trips on the weekend to the Mountain Top until further notice.”

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.

Plan on visiting the Park for the 158th Anniversary of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain - There will be Artillery, Infantry and Living History demonstrations throughout the weekend.

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:

See the sign-up links, above. Anyone one is now welcome to sign-up.

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>

Parking and registration will be at the Cheatham Hill Drive Parking Lot. Vehicle Entrance Passes will issued at registration.

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 Power of Nobody

So here you go; it's a Saturday morning "Trail Work Day" and you're headed to the "Registration Table," your anxiety is starting to rise. Not a problem, you heard that some two million visitors come to the park year-in and year out. Surely you feel that there will be someone who you know, and yet it turns out that nobody knows you and vice versa.

Most likely by now you've seen the TV commercial featuring the head of a large, and as they pay for the spot a well known, Law Firm, which specializes in settling accident claims. The head of the firm who lives in a mansion, has a corporate jet and what appears to be a lavish office gets a voice mail from a prospective client who leaves the message, "You probably won't call me back because I'm a Nobody." Being a good lawyer, even though he is head of the Firm, he exclaims that he'll call him back because, "Nobody is a Nobody." Well, that certainly is true and hopefully "Nobody" will turn out to be somebody and answer the return call.

Then recently there was the case of a correspondent who roamed the starting grid line at the Miami Formula One car race. He was actively seeking out and doing spot interviews with celebrities, racers, teams and people whom he deemed to be interesting. Mainly he was looking for personalities who were widely known. He spotted a tall young man whom he felt fit the bill and got the fellow to look down and quickly engage in some banter. Very nice young man and he certainly presented himself well.

However, about as quickly as the conversation started the correspondent pulled the mic away and asked, "What's your name." He got his answer, then curtly said oh sorry, "I thought you were somebody" - then went on to his next quarry. The young man in fact was the Top Draft pick for the NBA (i.e.: instant multi-millionaire).

And then there is the recent Kentucky Derby. Who won that race? I don't now if a horse is actually referred to as a nobody. But the horse was an 0-1 bet, like no chance will this horse win. In fact it was reported that the winning steed, "Rich Strike," was only mentioned twice by the race caller; at the Gate and when crossing (FIRST) at the Finish Line. Nobody? I don't think so.....!

So, now back to that registration line. Ok, out of over two million visitors, you don't recognize anyone. You came alone; yes I know that it's hard to get someone to come along, especially when there is work involved. But pretty soon you sign-up and you're no longer alone. Greeted as somebody and appreciated by your fellow volunteers. The head of that Law Firm had to start somewhere and I know that a customer/client is never a nobody. Aiding a person is how he gets paid.

The commentator, well he just dropped the ball. Didn't bother the basketball player, he plays ball and will make more money than the other guy ever imagined. The winning horse and rider didn't care about the odds; numbers don't win races.

You, who stood in line to register. You're somebody who helps out and there will be a next time that you'll come back, feel welcomed, then you too can be a person who helps "Somebody". Pretty powerful stuff!

Thanks,

Doug Jasse

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

Map Project Coordinator - This individual would work with NPS Staff and Eastern National to develop two maps:

- A general purpose map with all of the trails on it
- A Battlefield map - a map that portrays the location of the various Federal and Confederate forces, as well as an overlay of the current trails

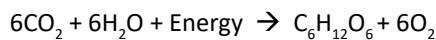
For more information on these positions, contact Scott Mackay - President@TheFriendsOfKMNB.onmicrosoft.com

The Importance of Trees at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park

By Geoffrey Grosguth

Trees produce their own food which is a constructive process. This process is carried out by the tree's leaves (or needles) and is called photosynthesis. Each leaf intakes carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and water from soil through the roots. Energy absorbed from sunlight and chlorophyll present in every leaf or needle cause the water and carbon dioxide to react producing glucose (sugar) and oxygen. The glucose (sugar) is returned to the entire tree to provide energy to create new tissue for tree growth.

The photosynthesis process is described by the following chemical equation:



With the great number of leaves or needles on trees and the great number of trees in forests, a significant amount of carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, is absorbed and sequestered by trees. There is no technological method for removing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere that is as efficient and economical as a tree's photosynthesis process. A hundred years ago, the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere was 300 parts per million (ppm). Currently the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere is 400 ppm. A surprisingly small change in the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere can affect the temperature of the atmosphere.

In the Park the tree canopy, which is composed of millions of leaves and needles, intercepts the sun light and shades hikers and trail maintenance workers from the heat and radiation of direct sun light. The developed scenery of urban areas is replaced with the restful scenery of a mature forest of trees. A walk through a forest of trees has been shown by scientists to reduce mental and physical stress. The daunting momentum of progress is interrupted when we hike and walk in a forest.

In the Park the forest of trees is a habitat for wildlife including deer, squirrels, migratory birds and complete ecological systems.

Because the trees absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, expel oxygen into the atmosphere, provide a habitat for wildlife and are good for our mental and physical welfare, the trees at Kennesaw National Battlefield Park are important.



The photo was taken by Chelsea Corbin, a staff member at the Georgia branch of the Nature Conservancy, during a walk on the Nature Trail and 24 Gun Trail on Earth Day.

Community Volunteer Ambassador Position

Kennesaw Mountain NBP is currently searching to fill the position of a Community Volunteer Ambassador (CVA). This is a paid internship that will work directly with the Volunteer Coordinator and Interpretive staff. This position will help the park staff enhance overall volunteerism, outreach, and education.



Some of the main minimum requirements for this position include:

- Be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident
- Be 18-30 years old at time of service (veterans up to 35 years old)
- Bachelor's degree in relevant area of study
- Prior experience in program management, public history, education, natural or cultural resource management, or working with volunteers.

How to Apply:

The CVA position will start on Monday, September 12th, 2022, and run for 50 weeks until Friday, August 25th 2023.

Application Deadline: Jul 15, 2022

Applicants will need to apply here:

<https://form.jotform.com/221255497395162>

and attach a cover letter.

Additional Information can be found at:

<https://diversifyoutdoors.mcjobboard.net/jobs/73931>

and:

<https://www.cvainternships.org/>

The Job description for Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park can be found at:

https://www.cvainternships.org/files/ugd/b0a6b6_402623f7e2e64ab28b1e5117e7dea781.pdf

Thank you for sharing this with your user base!

Jake Boling

Chief of Interpretation (Acting)

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park

770-615-1802



Mayapples

These are Mayapples growing behind the maintenance building and just off the N side of the environmental trail. They have a white flower that tends to hide as it's under the leaves.

Danny Leigh



"Mayapples" by Danny Leigh



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

* updated

May 14 Work Day Photos

Photos by James Turner





Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Interpretive Programs for June

*All outdoor programs are weather- dependent.

June 4th, 11 am: Cheatham Hill Walk

“Hell had broke loose in Georgia, sure enough” (Sam Watkins, Company Aytch). Join this Ranger- led walk along the Confederate defenses of the Dead Angle and learn about the fated assault during the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

Will meet at the Illinois Monument parking lot area, at the end of Cheatham Hill Drive.

June 5th, 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.

June 11th, 11 am: Native American History of Kennesaw Mountain

Humans have called Cobb County and the triple peak of Kennesaw Mountain home for the better part of 10,000 years. Come out to discover the history of the Native Americans in this Ranger- led talk.

It will be held on the patio of the Visitor Center.

June 12, 11 am: Memorial Field Walk

On June 27th, 1864, a feint attack was made against the foot of Kennesaw Mountain. This program showcases the bravery of the men who assaulted and defended the heights during that demonstration.

It will begin at the patio of the Visitor Center.

June 18th, 11 am: Visitor Center Museum Tour

It's more than just the artifacts! Join us for a special tour of our Visitor Center Museum where our Rangers take you on a journey through the entirety of the Civil War (with heavy focus on the Western Theater and the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain). We'll discuss the causes, biggest battles, blunders and how the war still affects us today over 150 years later.

June 19th, 11 am: Atlanta Campaign Talk

Over the course of 15 weeks during the summer of 1864, two massive hosts of men battled for the future of our nation. Come discover the Atlanta Campaign in this Ranger- led precursor program to our 158th Battle Anniversary.

June 25th and 26th: 158th Battle Anniversary!

All- day programming will be taking place to commemorate the 158th Anniversary of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Check out the event flyer for more information.

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

FRIENDS OF KENNESAW MOUNTAIN

**Join us for a Wine Tasting
at the Marietta Wine Market!**

Saturday, June 18, 2022: 2pm – 4pm

Prize Drawing tickets: 5 for \$20

Grand Prize:

Exclusive tour and lunch for two at Kennesaw
Mountain NBP with Superintendent Patrick Gammon!

Wine Tasting Donation: \$10



All proceeds from the event
support the Friends of
Kennesaw Mountain



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Kennesaw Mountain News Release

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Battle of Kennesaw Mountain 158th Anniversary Weekend

Kennesaw, GA: On Saturday, June 25 and Sunday, June 26, 2022, Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park will observe its 158th battle anniversary. Events include artillery and infantry demonstrations, guided hikes, Cheatham Hill living history walks, military camps and children's games and activities.

Events will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. The majority of programming and demonstrations will be held in the vicinity of the Visitor Center, Pigeon Hill, and at Cheatham Hill. Activities are free of charge and open to the public. Park entrance fees will still be observed.

For any questions on this or other scheduled events, please visit www.nps.gov/kemo or call [770-427-4686 x 0](tel:770-427-4686) from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily.

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**158th Anniversary
of the
Battle of Kennesaw Mountain
June 25 - 26, 2022**



SATURDAY

- 9:00 - Welcome and Opening Ceremony**
- 9:30 - Infantry Demonstration @ Visitor Center**
- 10:00 - Artillery Demonstration**
- 10:30 - Cheatham Hill Living History Walk @ Cheatham Hill**
- 11:00 - Mountain Top History Hike**
- 11:30 - Infantry Demonstration @ Visitor Center**
- 12:00 - Perry's Florida Boys at Kennesaw Mountain @ Cheatham Hill**
- 12:30 - 24 Gun Battery History Hike**
- 1:00 - Artillery Demonstration**
- 1:30 - Cheatham Hill Living History Walk @ Cheatham Hill**
- 2:00 - Perry's Florida Boys at Kennesaw Mountain @ Cheatham Hill**
- 2:30 - Infantry Demonstration @ Visitor Center**
- 3:00 - Pigeon Hill History Hike**
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- 4:00 - Artillery Demonstration**
- 4:30 - Memorial Field Talk**



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- 3:30 - What Comes Next: The Atlanta Campaign after Kennesaw Mountain Talk**

Continuous Programs

**Saturday: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:30 - 3:00 pm**

- ◆ **Military Camps**
- ◆ **Children's Games**



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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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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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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."

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