

OCTOBER 2025							
						Transport Cost (New Rate Mar 2025 - Feb 2026) ** The suggested transport fee of R4,76 /km is based on the SARS prescribed rate per kilometre (excl tolls). N.B. AWAY HIKES: The driver and occupants should agree on the how the costs will be calculated before departing and the total cost will be divided amongst the occupants of the car.	
HIKE TIMES - NB. AS OF 01 SEPTEMBER CHANGE TO SUMMER START TIMES: MEET AT VENUE 07.15 FOR 07.45 HIKE START							
Date	Event	Venue Meeting Time (Summer start time)	Description	Fee (non-mem)	Rating	Leader of the Day / Convenor	Phone
Oct-25							
Wednesday 1st October	Aasvoelbad (+ BRAAI)	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Well marked circular trail through wooded hills and valleys with options to go further up the northern side of the Magaliesberg	R80(R160)	Moderate	Graham Mackenzie	082 808 1800
Sunday 5th October	Piesangkloof	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Beautiful Hiking Trails on private property, up into the mountains through the gorge, and up to the top with stunning views of the Harties Dam and surrounding areas.	R80(R160)	Moderate to Strenuous	Kamlesh Patel	082 770 3542
Wednesday 8th October	Africaland	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Mainly moderate path walking along and above Crocodile River	Pens. R50(R110) Non.Pens (R80(R160)	Moderate	Alan Chater	082 555 0512
Thurs 9th - Sun 12th October	Drakensberg - Mnweni Rockeries -(Wilderness Hike with Porters)		Have a full wilderness experience while slackpacking the Mnweni Rockeries loop over four days, with the ease of only carrying a day bag. You'll need to bring your own gear, but a porter will carry the bulk of it.	Permit R120 / Porter R2000 pp	Moderate to Difficult	Sabine Behr	082 851 8627
Sunday 12th October	Castle Gorge (Members Only) 1 x guest free per membership (10 permits available to the public)	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Strenuous hike to the saddle for amazing views and then go to the pools to cool off or to the waterfall.	R0(R60)	Moderate to Strenuous	Paul Richardson	082 813 9945
Wednesday 15th October	Bekker's School	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Easy to strenuous hiking trails along the Magalies River and through indigenous forests and veldt	R0(R60)	Moderate to Strenuous	Philip Welchman	083 254 0651
Sunday 19th October	Cheetah Lodge	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Steep hike up the Magaliesberg from the north side and several options along the escarpment with beautiful views	R60(R120)	Moderate to Strenuous	Brenda Durow (LOD) Sabine Behr	082 813 9945
Tues 21st - Sat 25th October	Otter Trail		5 day/ 4 night backpack https://www.hikingsouthafrica.co.za/the-otter-trail/	R2060 Members	Moderate to Strenuous	Francé Roussow	083 306 4446
Fri 24th - Sun 26th October	Mount Komati		2 day/2 night Basecamp - Eastern Drakensberg escarpment	R644(R766	Moderate to Strenuous	Paul Barnard	076 564 9972
Wednesday 22nd October	Castle Gorge (Members Only + 1 guest for free)	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	Strenuous hike to the saddle for amazing views and then go to the pools to cool off or to the waterfall.	R0	Moderate	Bernard Robinson	082 413 1450
Fri 24th - Sun 26th October	Foothold Club Weekend (Members Only)		Members & Guests only. Communal braai.	R0(R75)	Leisure	To be confirmed	
Saturday 25th October	Spring Party at Foothold		Celebrate spring with coconut mocktails, beef roosterkoek, chocolate fruit fountain, Karaoke and prizes!	R115 per person		Laurette Marais	083 387 0026
Sunday 26th October	Foothold Club Hike (Members Only)	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	A myriad of hiking possibilities once you reach the escarpment. Relax for lunch near crystal clear pools.	R0(R60)	Moderate to Difficult	Wayne Silverwood (LOD) Helen Beneke	079 196 8915
Wednesday 29th October	Syringa Park	07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START	A selection of well marked trails just north of Muldersdrift between the Avianto Hotel and The Ground along the Crocodile river and over the undulating hills and valleys	R0(R60)	Moderate	Tom Kenny	066 290 1480
*Involves steep long climbs, typically 300m or more. Not suitable for visitors unless already reasonably sports fit or are experienced hikers. Sunday Hikes are typically 7 hours or longer, often in tough terrain without paths. Three hours of hiking up sometimes steep mountainsides and down valleys, over rough ground and scrub are usually covered, before stopping for 1/2 hour lunch break, after which a further 3 hours of hiking back to the start point covers a typical day. Level 1 - Slow Challenging for the relatively unfit hiker with a slower (but not necessarily slow) pace and plenty of rest/recovery stops. Level 2 - Moderate Faster pace with fewer rest/recovery stops and a longer distance. Level 3 - Fast Challenging for the fit hiker with a fast pace and long distance.							