

APRIL 2025

Transport Cost (New Rate Mar 2024 - Feb 2025) ** The suggested transport fee of R4,84/km is based on the SARS prescribed rate per kilometre (excl tolls). **N.B. The driver and occupants should agree on the rate before departing and the total cost will be divided amongst the occupants of the car.**

HIKE TIMES - NB. AS OF 01 JANUARY - SUMMER TIMES - MEET AT VENUE 07.15 FOR HIKE START 07.45 SHARP

| Date | Event | Venue Meeting Time (Summer start time) | Description | Fee (non-mem) | Return Distance | **Transport Cost @ R4,84/Km | Rating | Leader of the Day / Convenor | Phone |
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| Apr-25 | | | | | | | | | |
| Wednesday 2nd April | B'Sorah (BRAAI) | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Moderate to easy path walking over hills and along Skeerpoort river. | Pensioners R50(R110) NonPens. R70(R130) | Varies | R4.84/km | Easy to Moderate | Tom Kenny | 066 290 1480 |
| Fri 4th - Sun 6th April | Queen Rose Away Hike | | Set in the Makhonjwa Mountains between Barberton and Badplaas. 26km through mountain passes, indigenous forests and over the Queen River and Montrose Plantation. Wide variety of indigenous plants and animal species, including the 350 types of birds | R670(R795) Excludes slackpack option | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate | Paul Richardson | 082 813 9945 |
| Sunday 6th April | Peglarae (Nadia's Peak) | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Wilderness area on northern side of Magaliesberg. Mainly moderate to strenuous off path walking. Lots of Vultures on escarpment. | R20(R80) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate to strenuous | Erlank van der Merwe | 073 134 8341 |
| Wednesday 9th April | Intaba Thulile | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Follows the Thaba Manzi trail but starts closer to the escarpment. Steep climb to the top then explore Groblers kloof and others. | R50(R110) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate | To be confirmed | |
| Sunday 13th April | Castle Gorge (Members Only) 1 x guest free per membership (15 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) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate to strenuous | Paul Richardson | 082 813 9945 |
| Wednesday 16th April | Walter Sisulu Botanical Gardens | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Moderate to steep path walking through gardens and woods to top of ridge and along ridge. Restaurant in Botanical gardens at end of hike. | R70(R130) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate to strenuous | Leon Bradley | 083 441 9679 |
| Thurs 17th - Monday 21st April | Easter Camp - Mahai Drakensberg (Limited spaces) | | Beautifully situated campsite along Mahai River and the Amphitheater as backdrop. Numerous short/long hiking trails, trout fishing, under spectacular views. Campsite is served by five modern ablution blocks. | R796(R946) | Varies | R4.84/km | Leisure | Wayne Silverwood Greg Commons | 079 196 8915 078 780 1476 |
| Fri 18th - Mon 21st April | Northern Drakensberg Traverse | Wilderness Backpack Hike | Contact Leader Paul Barnard for more details | | Varies | R4.84/km | Difficult | Paul Barnard | 076 564 9972 |
| Sunday 20th April | B'Sorah | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Moderate to easy path walking over hills and along Skeerpoort river. | Pensioners R50(R110) NonPens. R70(R130) | Varies | R4.84/km | Easy to Moderate | Ryan de Haast | 083 743 5221 |
| Wednesday 23rd April | Klipriviersberg | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Easy to moderate path walking with some game about and views of southern suburbs. | R0(R60) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate | Marion Hufner | 083 248 9543 |
| Fri 25th April - Sun 27th April | Foothold Club Weekend (Members Only) | | Members & Guests only. Communal braai. | R0(R75) | Varies | R4.84/km | Leisure | | |
| Sunday 27th April | 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) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate to Difficult | To be confirmed | |
| Wednesday 30th April | Forestiva Farm | 07.15 for 07.45 SHARP HIKE START | Trails along Hennops and Crocidile river and over grasslands. Plenty of game about. | R50(R110) | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate | John Wilson | 082 561 1618 |
| Wed 30th April - Tues 6th May | Garden Route Camino | | 7 days - Uniondale to Heimersriver - You will meet interesting people and enjoy their hospitality as you travel across the beautiful Garden Route. | 7 day Camino R9300(R11150) Includes daily meals, accommodation & transfer of luggage | Varies | R4.84/km | Moderate to strenuous | Duncan Hodge | 083 279 5835 |

*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.