

Winter Hiking Anyone?



Winter's coming! We have a cycling group, so why not add a hiking group? Yes, we would like to start a hiking group for members who do not cycle during the winter and for those who would like to hike on days that are not suitable for cycling. The goal is to get outside, get some exercise, and still see our friends (in accordance with COVID-19 - Recommendations for Winter Activities).

The hiking group would work similarly to the cycling group. Interested hikers would send their email addresses to the Hike Organizer. Then a hiker would let the organizer know when he/she is interested in leading a hike (date, time, location). The Hike Organizer would then send out an email to those on the list to see if others want to join in. The Hike Leader would decide if it will be a gentle hike, an ambitious one, or a combination. Remember too that many of the places we hike can also become cross country ski locations, if we are lucky enough to get lots of snow!

Keep in mind:

- These are not official Freewheelers hikes.
- Anyone can join in a hike, including non-members.
- There is no Freewheelers insurance.
- There will be a Hike Leader who will record the names of all hikers and keep the list for contact tracing purposes.
- COVID-19 - Recommended Guidelines for Winter Activities will be in place for the hikes.
- All hikes will take place based on a forecast of suitable weather.
- Remember to bring your cell phone and your emergency contact information to all hikes.

We would love to hear from you, if you are interested in:

- becoming the Hike Organizer (take leadership and set up the group),
- hiking with the group, or
- suggesting your favourite place to hike. Suggestions so far: a DeCew location, the Port Dalhousie lighthouses, and the Glenridge Quarry near Brock.

Show your interest, by sending an email to Rita Dillon, [President](#).