MBC Overnight Hike Fixtures Q1-2021

Dates (days)	Description	Dist / Elevation	Leader	Contact	Grd
31 December - 2 January (3)	Mkhomazi: Cyprus Cave - celebrate New Year. Ideal for first-time backpackers or others as we can explore from the cave. Waterfall above the cave and pool below. Max. 6 hikers.	10km 250m	Keith Ashton	Email only. Please include cell number. keimarg@iuncapped.co.za	3
8-16 January (9)	Wild Coast: Port St. Johns to Hole in the Wall	95km	John & Christine Pickup	082-7826025 (phone or WhatsApp)	4
6-7 February (2)	Cobham: Lakes Cave via Pholela River. Return via Siphongweni Rock National Monument rock art site and Tortoise Rocks.	28km 530m	David Gay	cougar1@telkomsa.net	3,5
13-14 February (2)	Giant's Castle: Bannerman Hut and exploration to climb The Thumb, or optional overnight in hut only.	26km 1298m	John Pickup	072-1512031	3-4
20-21 February (2)	Garden Castle: Tenting in Hidden Valley. Bring your costume as there is a pool next to the camp site. Hiking tent required.	12km 200m	Farouk Omarjee	031-5776336 081-5308447 farouk.omarjee@gmail.com	3
27-28 February (2)	Garden Castle: Tent at the top of Wilson's Pass. Return via Mashai Pass.	26km 1265m	David Gay	cougar1@telkomsa.net	5
13-14 March (2)	Injasuti: Marble Baths Cave. Bring your costume as there is a pool close to the cave.	16km 460m	Farouk Omarjee	031-5776336 081-5308447 farouk.omarjee@gmail.com	3
20-22 March (3)	Garden Castle: Wilson's Cave via Castle View farm; Fun Cave via Eland Flats; return via Mzimkhulu Pipeline.	32km 460m	David Gay	cougar1@telkomsa.net	3,5

PTO for Day Hikes

DAY HIKES

Sat 23 Jan	HIGHMOOR – Day hike to Ka-Dedakushe Falls via "The Plaque" - Impressive Twin Falls. Day entrance fee R45 per person	16 km 400m climb		<u>keimarg@iuncapped.co.za</u> Please include cell number	
Sat 27 Feb	African Fish Eagle Trail with a walk through the Beachwood Mangroves at the start, coffee at the SPCA turning point (bring cash). Brisk pace. Pre-book by Wednesday 24 Feb, rain stops play	12.5km Sea Level	Heidi Cox	heidi.dinan@gmail.com	2
Sun 7 March	Umdloti to Umhlanga and back, walk through Umhlanga Nature Reserve (if it is open again) lunch at the Bush Tavern afterwards. Brisk pace. Pre-book by Wednesday 20 Jan, rain stops play.	12.5km Sea Level	Heidi Cox	<u>heidi.dinan@gmail.com</u>	2

ADVANCE NOTICE

Dates	Description	Dist / Elevation	Leader	Contact	Grd
16 to 18 April	Club Campout - venue and details to be announced			chairman@mountainbackpack ers.co.za	

SOCIALS 2021	Arrive 19h00 to start at 19h30		
28-Jan	AGM Sherwood Bowling Club		
25-Feb			
25-Mar			
22-Apr			
27-May			
24-Jun			
22-Jul			
26-Aug			
30-Sep			
28-Oct			
25-Nov			
09-Dec			

Please note that all COVID-19 protocols must be observed, wear your mask, wash & sanitise your hands and please don't participate if you believe that you may infect others