

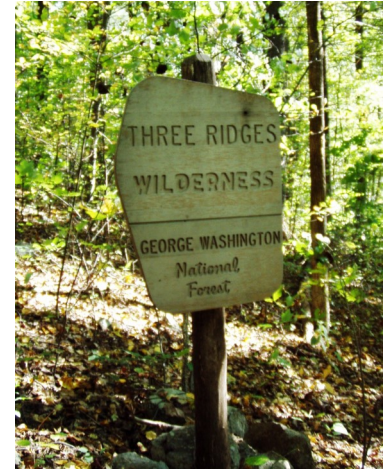


# Join Us!



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## THE TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB



**TATC** was founded in 1972 and is a service and adventure oriented group involved in a variety of outdoor activities. Members come from all walks of life, all age groups, including singles, couples, and families. The club's primary purpose is to maintain a 11 mile section of the Appalachian Trail located southwest of Charlottesville, VA. The TATC section, most of which is in the Three Ridges Wilderness Area, winds south from Reid's Gap on the Blue Ridge Parkway to the Tye River on Route 56. The trail meanders through mainly hardwood forest, climbs the 3,970-foot Three Ridges Mountain, and reaches overlooks with outstanding views of the Tye River Valley and The Priest (Mountain). It descends quickly, and ends at a suspension bridge over the crystal-clear Tye River. Typical plant and animal life spotted include flame azalea, mountain laurel, rhododendron, bear, deer, grouse, and turkey.

TATC maintains 23 miles of other trails in the Blue Ridge Mountains. TATC constructed and maintains the 3-mile Mau-Har Trail. This blue-blazed trail descends from the Maupin Field shelter through woods to a 40 foot waterfall on Campbell Creek, and then connects back to the AT south of Harpers Creek shelter. TATC is also responsible for the 2.5-mile White Rock Falls Trail just off the Blue Ridge Parkway, and the trails in the St. Mary's Wilderness. TATC also maintains a number of local trails in the Tidewater Area.

In addition to its primary purpose of maintaining the AT and helping manage the surrounding land that protects it, TATC offers a variety of exciting outdoor adventures. Club members lead both day and overnight trips - hiking & biking, camping/backpacking, canoeing/kayaking, local trail maintenance trips, and nature walks. TATC will help improve your outdoor skills with regularly scheduled Beginner's Backpacking seminars, classes on land navigation (map & compass), Leave No Trace, and trail maintenance skills, such as erosion prevention and trail construction. Monthly meetings often feature speakers on outdoor topics that range from education to entertainment.

TATC holds monthly membership meetings, except in December. TATC publishes the *Tidewater Appalachian Hiker*, a bi-monthly newsletter on the club website ([www.tidewateratc.com](http://www.tidewateratc.com)). The newsletter contains schedules of hikes, activities, and other club information.

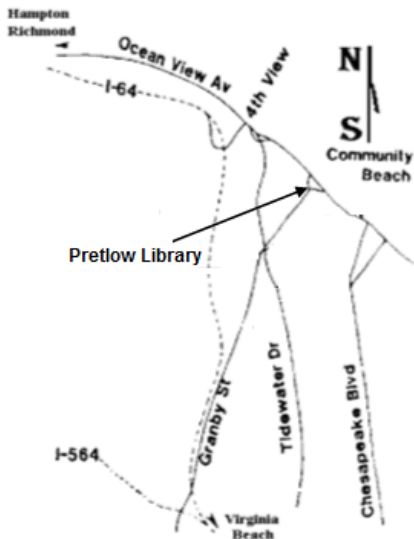


**DAY HIKES  
BACKPACKING  
BIKING  
LOCAL TRAILS  
CAMPING  
CANOEING  
KAYAKING  
AND MORE**

## Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club

**Join Today!**

**MEETINGS** - General membership meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month, except for the month of December. Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. at the Pretlow Library, 111 West Ocean View Ave., Norfolk, VA 23503. An updated listing of the club's activities is provided at each meeting and is also updated on our website. Visitors are welcome at our meetings and on our hikes and other activities, provided the activity leader's permission has been obtained in advance. Your membership supports trail maintenance projects, public education, club publicity, and endangered species protection.



TATC built and maintains the Douglas Putman Memorial Cabin, located on 15 acres of club-owned land, a one-half mile walk off of the Blue Ridge Parkway. This rustic yet cozy structure is available for rent by club members and their guests.

**MEMBERSHIP** - to become a new member, complete the form below and mail to:

Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club  
P.O. Box 8246  
Norfolk, VA 23503

or visit

[www.tidewateratc.com](http://www.tidewateratc.com) to print an application.

**Yes, I want to be part of the Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club!**

Name(s)	
Address	
City	
State	Zip Code
Tel. (home)	(work)
E-Mail	
E-Mail	

Enclosed are my membership dues in the amount of:

\$20 (Single)       \$30 (Family)

Yearly membership expires on the last day of the 12th month after joining.

### Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club Waiver and Release of All Claims:

I know that outdoor activities conducted by the Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club, a Virginia nonprofit corporation, are potentially hazardous. I should not participate unless I am medically able and properly trained and properly equipped. I agree to abide by any decision of an activity leader relative to my ability to safely complete the activity. I assume all risks associated with participating in any activity, including, but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, effects of the weather; including heat, humidity, traffic and road conditions, trail and river conditions, and all other risks; known or unknown. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of participating in an activity, I for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the Tidewater Appalachian Trail Club, its officers and directors, volunteers, and successors, from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in an activity. I grant permission to all of the foregoing to use any photographs, motion pictures, recordings, or any other record of an activity for any legitimate purpose.

Participant's Signature

Date

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