



STELLENBOSCH HIKING CLUB

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Nov 23 (Saturday)		End of the year function
Dec 14-17	Long hike	Groot Winterhoek Wilderness hike (Porterville)

[A] GENERAL INFORMATION

1. General club information

1.1. Digital platforms

Website: www.stb-voetslaan.co.za
Facebook: www.facebook.com/stellenboschvoetslaanklub

1.2. Affiliation

The club is a member of the Hiking Organisation of Southern Africa (HOSA). For more information visit their website at hosavosa.co.za.



1.3. Management Committee 2019/2020

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1.3.1. Matters for the attention of the Management Committee

Please inform a committee member of a matter you wish to put on the agenda.

1.4. Membership

Those interested first need to complete 3 hikes with the club to ascertain themselves of the group and whether they feel comfortable with the type of hikes, etc. Thereafter they may apply for membership. To apply for membership please contact the membership committee member or the Club's secretary.

1.5. Fees and payments

1.5.1. Membership fees

Membership fees for the 2019 calendar year is R130-00 per person.

1.5.2. Visitor's fee for none members

None members pay R30-00 per person per hiking opportunity.

1.5.3. Contribution towards transport

The contribution towards transport is R1.00 per person per km. Drivers of vehicles during weekend – or five day hikes may consider an adjustment of this fee considering the number of persons and the fuel consumption of the vehicle.

1.5.4. Payments

- Banking details:
Voetslaanklub Stellenbosch, Nedbank savings account number 200 540 2354, branch code 107 110.

- Payments of membership fees and bookings for weekend and permit hikes have to be done directly into the club's savings account. Please send proof of any payment per e-mail to the treasurer (Klaus at klausvp51@gmail.com) with clear indication of your name and for what the payment has been made.
- Cash may be used to pay hike leaders or the treasurer for day hikes.
- Please bring the correct amount for transport and permits on day hikes.
- Members enjoy preference on weekend and longer hikes, but after the closing date for payments this preference falls away and visitors may take up empty places. Places may therefore not be reserved for members who did not pay before or on the closing date.

2. General information regarding (day) hikes

2.1. Logistical arrangements

Issue	Arrangement
Place of departure:	The parking area in front of the Visual Arts building, Victoria Street, Stellenbosch; across the street from the Endler. Alternative arrangements will be mentioned in the programme or communicated by die hike leader.
Meeting time:	Normally 07:00, but please see the programme for every hike's specific details.
Clothes:	Be prepared for all weather conditions. ALWAYS bring warm cloths (fleece or jacket). In winter a water proof jacket will also be needed in case of rain.
Food and drink:	Each hiker is responsible to bring his/her own food and drink for tea time and lunch, as well as drinking water (minimum 2 liter).
First Aid:	Each hiker is responsible to bring his/her own first aid items. The hike leader is not responsible for pills, ointment, plasters, etc. <i>NB: Please especially remember allergy and hay fever medication.</i>
Emergency tel number:	The telephone number of a next of kin (who is not hiking along and who is available to be contacted) has to be provided to the hike leader.
Transport:	Travelling together may be arranged between hikers. For every hike an amount is proposed that passengers should contribute towards travelling costs (see programme). Please note: For weekend and longer hikes, everybody is responsible to arrange their own transport. It is not the responsibility of the hike organizer or hike leader.

Each person needs to notify the hike leader of his/her intention to join a hike at the latest on the Thursday or Friday evening before the hike. Unless otherwise mentioned in the programme, for day hikes on Saturdays, not later than 18:00 on the Friday evening. If the notification is by e-mail, please provide your telephone number.

2.2. Hike grading

Hikes are graded according to the following index to indicate the level of difficulty by using a number-letter combination (e.g. 2A, 3B or 2D):

Difficulty grading		Exposure to heights	
Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
1	Easy	A	No exposure to heights
2	Slightly strenuous	B	A little rock climbing, but no more difficult than scaling a short ladder
3	Exhausting exercise	C	Some exposure to heights – not for the faint-hearted
4	Only for the fittest	D	Lots of exposure to heights

2.3. Permit hikes

A permit hike may imply that we have to limit the number of persons in the group. It is therefore essential to consult with the assigned leader of the hike at least a week beforehand to ascertain that there is still a vacancy on the hike.

Important: When someone has booked a place on the hike they are responsible for the payment of the permit fee, unless someone else can be found to fill the place.

3. Code of conduct and regulations for hikers

3.1. General code of conduct

- Please make sure that you comply with the fitness level required. Hikers should take note of the hike grading of hikes they intend to join. Gradients are mentioned for each hike in the hiking programme. Hike leaders who are of the opinion that someone may not be able to finish a hike may turn that person away.
- The leader of the hike must be obeyed at all times. The leader walks at the front with all the members behind him/her.
- With a view to the group's safety, the leader may, at any time, check a person's equipment or evaluate his/her fitness and may exclude a person from the hike if it is judged that the person would handicap the group or compromise the safety of the group.
- In bad weather, for example fog and rain, every hiker should know the whereabouts of the person in front or behind him/her.
- Do not litter.
- Protect and conserve the natural beauty of our mountains by respecting the environment, by staying on the footpaths and not taking shortcuts.
- Take only photos and leave only footprints.
- Obey the rules and regulations and obtain permission from the authorities involved prior to entering areas with limited access.
- When leaving the path for some or other reason, leave your rucksack next to the footpath for others to see.
- Remain in touch with the group – do not stray.
- Always behave considerately towards fellow-hikers.
- Hiking is a privilege, not to be abused.

3.2. Additional regulations for weekend and longer hikes

- All persons going on a weekend or longer hike are responsible for their own travel arrangements. It is not the responsibility of the hike organizer or the hike leader.
- Hike leaders may weigh backpacks before a hike and ask a hiker to make the backpack lighter if necessary. Keep your backpack as light as possible. According to Olivier (2003:24) a backpack should never weigh more than a third of your body weight. The ideal weight is 20% of a woman's body weight and 25% of a man's body weight.
- In the case of a very big group the hike leader may give permission to divide the group in which case a lead hiker and lock hiker for the second group will be identified. During tea and lunch breaks the 2 groups should meet to make sure that everybody is still with the 2 groups.

4. Information on Wild Cards

It is possible to save on the conservation fees of many hikes if a hiker has a Wildcard. The Wild Card programme is a collective initiative of Cape Nature, SANParks, Msinsi Resorts, EKZN Wildlife and Big Game Parks of Swaziland.



- For more information or to apply, visit the website www.sanparks.org/wild/ or www.wildcard.co.za

N.B. It is the responsibility of the club member to make sure her/his Wildcard is valid BEFORE he/she books a hike for which a Wildcard number is needed. If a club member’s card is not valid the hike leader has no other option but to request the full amount from the club member.

5. Emergency numbers and handy contact numbers

<i>Contact number</i>	<i>Institution</i>
021 937 0300	Wildernis Search and Rescue (WSAR)
10177	Metro Ambulance Service
021 483 0190	Cape Nature <i>Contact the manager of a reserve where the hike is taking place for the specific emergency number.</i>
112	National cellular emergency number
0861 555 777	24 hour emergency number vir Poison Centre (snake bites, ens.)

[B] PROGRAMME: Second semester 2019

6 July DAY HIKE: Contour path alias Waterfall Hike (Table Mountain)	
Grading: 2B	Hiking distance: ± 12 km
Travelling distance: 55 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution: R110
Hike costs: None	Reservation: by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader: Alet Louw	021 461 1649 of 073 689 5752, alettamail@gmail.com
Meeting time: 07:15 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart at 07:30, or	
<i>Hikers meet at 08h30 in the parking area at the public ablutions on the corner of Table Mountain Road and Kloofnek Road. From here we drive to the Kloof Corner hiking trail. We hike up to the contour path and across to Oppelskop. If it is raining this route is known as the Waterfall route. We return along the gravel road back to the vehicles.</i>	

13 July DAY HIKE: Sosyskloof (Jonkershoek Nature Reserve, Stellenbosch)	
Grading: 2A	Hiking distance: ± 9 km
Travelling distance: None	Travelling cost contribution: None
Meeting time: 08:00 at gate	Hike costs: R50 or valid Wild Card
Reservation: By Friday evening at 18:00 with Hike leader; please mention Wild Card number	
Hike leader: Mientie Holtzhausen	021 887 1651 of 083 280 1651, holtzhau@sun.ac.za
<i>Arrive at Jonkershoek Nature Reserve gate at 08:00. We hike from the gate to Sosyskloof waterfall via the forestry road and return via another route. Hiking time is 3 to 4 hours. This is a fairly easy hike but there is a steep uphill section that beginners might experience as 2B.</i>	

20 July DAY HIKE: India Window route (Table Mountain)	
Grading: 3C	Hiking distance: ± 7 km
Travelling distance: 55 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution: R110
Hike costs: None	Reservation: by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader: Jaap van Wyk	021 887 5335 of 084 240 5918, jfvw70@gmail.com
Meeting time: 07:00 by usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:15, or	
<i>We meet at 08:00 in the parking area at the public ablutions on the corner of Table Mountain Road and Kloofnek Road. We start at the lower cable station and climb up under the cable way to the contour path. From here we go left past the window and past the grass section that looks like the Indian mainland. We proceed to Fountain Ledge on the Camps Bay side and up into a kloof to the top of Platteklip. We hike down this gorge back to the cable car station.</i>	

27 July DAY HIKE: Eikehof (Franschhoek)	
Grading: 3B	Hiking distance: 13 km
Travelling distance: 28 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution: R56
Hike costs: None (R50 for wine tasting)	Reservation: by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader: Willie Huggett	021 876 2490 of 083 453 9191, huggett@netactive.co.za
Meeting 07:00 by usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:15	
<i>We hike on the farm Eikehof (owned by the Malherbe family), in the area of the Wemmershoek dam. Hiking time is more or less 5-6 hours. We end at the old wine tasting room.</i>	

3 August DAY HIKE: Groot Hangklip (Pringlebaai)			
Grading:	3B	Hiking distance:	± 9 km
Travelling distance:	65 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R130
Hike costs:	None	Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Fay Pistorius	021 854 5959 of 078 370 2269, faypistorius@gmail.com	
Meeting time: 07:15 by usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:30			
<i>The hike start at Pringle Bay and follow the path up in the valley to the bat caves and fairy forest. After resting under Milkwood trees we climb Hangklip and enjoy the views over the sea from Cape Point to Hermanus. Hikers should be back at the vehicles by 15:00-16:00.</i>			
<i>Please note. Bring a torch or head lamp for the caves.</i>			

10 August DAY HIKE: Contour path in Jonkershoek Nature Reserve (Stellenbosch)			
Grading:	2B	Hiking distance:	± 12 km
Travelling distance:	None	Travelling cost contribution:	R10 (in reserve)
Hike costs:	R50 or valid Wild Card	Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Linda du Toit	072 107 0213 sms or WhatsApp, lindadt@mweb.co.za	
Meeting time:	07:30 at the gate, Jonkershoek Nature Reserve; drive in at 07:45		
<i>After meeting at the gate we drive and park at Witbrug. We hike a trail that contours all along the feet of the mountains. We have a late breakfast at Langstroom. We cross Berg River Neck and hike back to our vehicles. This route boasts beautiful views of the mountains in the area.</i>			

17 August No official club hike

24 August DAY HIKE: Panorama Route (Jonkershoek Nature Reserve, Stellenbosch)			
Grading:	4B	Hiking distance:	± 23 km
Travelling distance:	None	Travelling cost contribution:	None
Hike costs:	R40.00 or valid Wild Card	Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Klaus von Pressentin	021 887 2783 (after hours) or 082 689 8102, klausvp51@gmail.com	
Meeting time: 07:00 at the Jonkershoek gate			
<i>Please note: this is a difficult route. Hikers need to be mountain fit.</i>			
<i>We hike up Swartboskloof to Pic Sans Nom via Guardian Peak and the Triplet Peaks to Berg River Neck. Then we hike down to Witbrug and back to the vehicles.</i>			

31 August DAY HIKE: Grotto Bay to Silwerstroomstrand (West Coast)			
Grading:	2B	Hiking distance:	± 15 km
Travelling distance:	90 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R180
Hike costs:	None	Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Cynthia Slattery	021 882 9442 of 072 246 1902, slathome@sun.ac.za	
Meeting time: 07:15 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:30			
<i>We drive to Silwerstroomstrand on the West Coast, and leave some of the vehicles there. We drive to Grotto Bay and start to hike mostly on the beach and tracks in the veld back to the vehicles. Hopefully we will see lots of spring flowers and have lovely views of Table Mountain. The duration of this hike is a full day.</i>			

7 September DAY HIKE: Alphen route in Constantia valley (Cape Town)			
Grading:	2B	Hiking distance:	14 km
Travelling distance:	54 km x2	Travelling cost contribution:	R108
Hike costs:	None	Reservation:	by Thursday 5 September with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Frederik Stapelberg	084 490 7960 (after hours), fstapelberg@geoscience.org.za	
Meeting time:	07:00 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:15		
<p><i>We hike in the Constantia Valley's green belt, starting at the Alphen Hotel (Alphen Drive, Constantia). The route follows the Diep River up to Constantia Mountain and Le Sueur Drive in the direction of Hohenort. Then we carry on along the Klaasenbosch route (passing the Hohenort Hotel) through a section of Kirstenbosch up to Cecilia Forest, De Hel nature area and via die Diep river route back to our vehicles.</i></p> <p><i>We hike along the busy Constantia Road as well as Southern Cross Drive for 1,3 km during which it is important for hikers to walk behind each other and give attention to the approaching traffic.</i></p>			

14 September DAY HIKE: Full moon hike at Delvera (Stellenbosch)			
Grading:	1A/2A depending on fitness level	Hiking distance:	9.75 km
Travelling distance:	11 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R22
Hike costs:	R100	Reservation:	by 30 August with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Mina Redelinghuys	083 225 8188 (after hours), mina.redelinghuys@gmail.com	
Meeting time:	15:45 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 16:00		
<p><i>We hike on the farm Delvera on the R44 between Stellenbosch and Paarl to the top of Klapmutskop. It takes about an hour to hike to the top. Beautiful sunset and full moon views will be enjoyed with a pack your own picnic.</i></p> <p><i>N.B. Bring a torch and/or head light for hiking down and remember to bring a warm jacket.</i></p>			

21 September DAY HIKE: Helderberg Dome (Somerset-West)			
Grading:	3C	Hiking distance:	15 km
Travelling distance:	22 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R44
Meeting time:	06:45 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:00		
Hike costs:	R20 entrance (R10 if older than 60); R15 per vehicle		
Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader		
Hike leader:	Louise van der Merwe	021 880 1875 or 082 492 4293 (na-ure)	
<p><i>We hike through the Helderberg Nature Garden via the jeep tracks to Disakloof. From there we climb Porcupine Buttress up to the neck between West Peak and Central Peak where beautiful views will be waiting for us. We take the Contour path past Central Peak to the start of the Dome. From here it is a steep 45 minute climb to the 1137m high beacon. It is a challenging steep route with a duration of 9-10 hours.</i></p>			

21-27 September LONG HIKE: Moordenaarskaroo/Buffalo River (Laingsburg/Sutherland)			
Hike costs:	R4 500 (Includes: safe parking in Laingsburg, all meals, drinking water, transport of all hikers' belongings, support team pitching camp, warm washing water in the evenings)		
Contact person:	Christine Smit	083 451 6384, cs2@sun.ac.za	
Reservations:	Franci Vosloo	083 386 6270 (WhatsApp), francivosloo1@gmail.com	
<p><i>Members who are interested may contact Franci Vosloo directly for more information or read the article in the magazine Weg at:</i></p> <p>https://www.netwerk24.com/Weg/Reis/kom-stap-die-moordenaarskaroo-roete-20190131</p> <p><i>This is a slack packing hike. You only carry your day pack with food and water.</i></p>			

28 September DAY HIKE: Silver Tree route, Kirstenbosch Botanical Garden (Cape Town)			
Grading:	2A	Hiking distance:	± 9 km
Travelling distance:	55 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R110
Hike costs:	R70 toegang	Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Cynthia Slattery	021 882 9442 or 072 246 1902 (after hours)	
Meeting time: 07:30 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:45			
<i>The Silver Tree Route is one of the forest routes at Kirstenbosch. It is a circle route. We hike from the Visitor's Centre along Camphor Avenue via the top gate to the Contour path, passing the Kirstenbosch dam. We cross four rivers and hope to see a water fall. We will enjoy tea and lunch along the way. After returning to the Visitor's Centre hikers are welcome to explore the rest of the gardens on their own.</i>			

6-12 October LONG HIKE: Baviaanskloof (Eastern Cape)	
Reservation:	As per previous announcements this hike has already been fully booked
Hike costs:	R1 690 (Include entrance fee and accommodation for 3 nights.)
Hike leader:	Linda du Toit 072 107 0213 sms or WhatsApp, lindadt@mweb.co.za
<i>We depart Sunday 6 October from Stellenbosch to Cedar Falls base camp. We sleep at Red Cliffs self catering farm house, bring own sleeping bags and towels). From Monday to Thursday we hike the Leopard Route. It is a 4 day slack pack circle route ranging from 10-20 km per day. Bags, tents and food will be transported. Thursday we sleep again in the farm house. On Friday we hike the "Cedar Falls day hike" (4-6 hours). Saturday 12 October we return to Stellenbosch.</i>	

19-20 October WEEKEND HIKE: Langriet vlei and Helderwater (Hopefield)			
Grading:	Langriet vlei - 2A Helderwater - 1A	Hiking distance:	Langrietvlei - 20 km
Travelling distance:	170 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R340
Hike costs:	None	Reservation:	before 10 October with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Frederik Stapelberg	084 490 7960 (after hours), fstapelberg@geoscience.org.za	
Overnight cost: ± R175 p/p for 6 persons in one chalet. Camping is a cheaper option. Please send proof of payment to treasurer (klausvp51@gmail.com) with "cc" to the hike leader.			

Number of persons: 6 hikers but more could be accommodated if interested	
Meeting time: 06:45 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:00	
<i>The route is next to the Berg River, 22 km from Hopefield – a long raining season might course the route to be under water. A decision on whether to proceed or not will be taken a week before the hike. There might be spring flowers and bird lovers need to bring their binoculars. We could braai on Saturday evening – please bring own meat and braaibroodjies. The overnight chalet includes bedding, cutlery and crockery, fridge, stove and gas geyser for warm showers.</i>	

26 October DAY HIKE: Paarl Mountain(Paarl)			
Grading:	2B	Hiking distance:	± 15 km
Travelling distance:	32 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution:	R64
Hike costs:	None	Reservation:	by Friday evening, 18:00 with Hike leader
Hike leader:	Willie Huggett	021 876 2490 of 083 453 9191, huggett@netactive.co.za	
Meeting time: 07:30 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:45			
<i>We hike an easy circle route on Paarl Mountain. An ideal hike for those wanting to familiarize themselves with hiking in the mountains.</i>			

2 November DAY HIKE: Boschendal (Franschhoek)	
Grading: 1A	Hiking distance: 5 km / 10 km / 12.5 km
Travelling distance: 14 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution: R28
Hike costs: R25	Reservation: by Thu, 31 Oct at 18:00 with Annalene
Reservations: Annalene Sadie	083 388 8266, annasadie101@gmail.com
Hike leader: Kosie Smit	073 537 8809, jhs@sun.ac.za
Meeting time: 07:30 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:45	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 km (green RC route): start at the Trail Centre, 021 001 9401) and include the veggie garden, orchids, camps with farm animals, river and forest and end at the Trail Centre. • 10 km (red RC route): The same as the green route but turn of over the river through eucalyptus forest and fynbos, passing the Normandie and York dams. • 12,5 km (swart 2,5 km uitbreiding): This trail takes you further up a hill through fynbos. <p>After the hike those interested could enjoy something to eat and drink together at the Deli – the burger is strongly recommended. <i>Pre-reservations at the Deli is necessary – let Annalene know by Thursday if you are joining in and how far you want to hike.</i></p>	

9 November DAY HIKE: Steenbras River and Crystal Pools (Gordons Bay/Rooi-Els)	
Grading: 2B	Hiking distance: 8 km
Travelling distance: 30 km x2	Travelling cost contribution: R60
Hike costs: R70	Reservation: by 30 September with Hike leader
No of persons:	This is a permit hike for 10 persons. Please send proof of payment to treasurer (klausvp51@gmail.com) with “cc” to the hike leader.
Hike leader: Frederik Stapelberg	084 490 7960 (after hours), fstapelberg@geoscience.org.za
Meeting time: 07:00 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:15	
<i>A short and easy hike up into a beautiful kloof. Bring bathing costumes. Baboons are a problem on this route so please do not bring any food – only something to drink – and stay together as a group.</i>	

23 November End of year function

14-17 December LONG HIKE: Groot Winterhoek Wilderness hike (Porterville)	
Grading: 3A/3B varying	Hiking distance: varying
Travelling distance: 150 km x 2	Travelling cost contribution: R300 or as agreed
Hike costs: R60 or valid Wild Card	
Overnight cost: R140 per person per night in own tent (x 3 nights = R420)	
Reservations have already closed. Those still interested may book independently with Cape Nature. If successful please contact the hike leader (Frederik) for notifications, etc.	
Hike leader: Frederik Stapelberg	084 490 7960 (after hours), fstapelberg@geoscience.org.za
Meeting time: 07:00 at usual departure place in Victoria Street in Stellenbosch and depart 07:15 to start hiking more or less at 09:00	
<p><i>This is a full back pack hike in a beautiful wilderness area. No huts or showers are supplied but there are plenty opportunities to swim (bring bathing costumes). No fires are allowed. Nothing may be left behind - except you know what – (please remember your small spade)!</i></p> <p><u>Hiking programme:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day 1: Hike from gate to Perdevlei via Groot Kliphuis (21km). This is on a jeep track and not very difficult. Camp at Perdevlei. • Day 2: Hike from Perdevlei to Die Tronk (next to Klein Kliphuis river) then further to the Hel (17km in total). Camp at the Hel. Fairly easy but the last km or two is a steep descent into the Hel. Camp in the vicinity of the Hel. • Day 3: Hike from the Hel back to Die Tronk. Camp at a beautiful spot next to the Klein Kliphuis River (13km). • Dag 4: Hike back to the gate 5km (?) and drive to Stellenbosch. 	

