

READINGTON TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE HIKE

Cushetunk Mountain Climb **From Pickell Park**

**A Guided Walk with Members of the
Readington Township Open Space Advisory Board**

Sunday, October 15, 2023

1:00 PM – 3:30 PM

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| Meeting Time: | 1:00 PM | Hike Duration: About 2½ hrs. |
| Meeting Location: | Pickell Park, far end of lot, at the Information Kiosk 275 Mountain Rd. (off Rt. 523, behind Municipal Bldg) Whitehouse Station NJ 08889 | |

Hike to the Top of the Mountain!

'Mountain of Hogs' to the Lenape because of the wild pigs that foraged there, a refuge of wolves harassing settlers in colonial times, and the site of a long gone aeronautical beacon guiding the first cross-country air mail planes during the infant days of powered flight, Cushetunk Mountain today overlooks Round Valley Reservoir and is the nesting site for bald eagles. After about a mile of gradual elevation changes, the trail requires a strenuous 350 foot climb up the steep mountain side through mature woodland. We will hike to the summit and along a portion of the ridge. The rewards, however, are terrific views from the top, impressive woods and the autumn woodland colors. There are maps at the Recreational Trails tab at www.readingtontwpnj.gov/.

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