## MASSAWEPIE SCOUT CAMPS 2023 SUMMIT CHALLENGE - ADIRONDACK FIRE TOWERS

## **UNIT NAME, NUMBER, AND LOCATION:**

	TOTAL	ELEVATION/		TOWER	MILES FR	CHOICE
ADK FIRE TOWER MTS	MILEAGE	GAIN	TRAIL NOTES	OPEN*	CAMP	# 1-4
EASY TO MODERATE						
Arab	2.2	2533'/760'	Short, with a few steeper sections	YES	8	
Azure	2	2518'/944'	Short, but continuously steep trail	YES	60	
Bald (Rondaxe)	2	2313'/390'	Short, one minor steep spot	YES	73	
Belfry	1.2	1850'/120'	THE easiest tower hike!	YES	76	
Cathedral Rock	2.4	1725'/185'	The SECOND easiest tower hike!	YES	23	
Goodnow	3.8	2664'/1040'	Steady gain, a few steep sections	YES	46	
Kane	1.8	2185'/620'	Moderately steep, a loop possible back to trailhead	YES	112	
Spruce	3.1	2005'/1003'	Short, with steady gain in elevation	YES	120	
Stillwater	1.9	2244'/564'	Short, easy and well-maintained trail	YES	86	
MODERATE TO CHALLENGING						
Black	5	2642'/1046'	Steep near summit, loop possible back to trailhead	NO	117	
Hadley	3.6	2651'/1525'	Short, but trail is continously steep	YES	103	
Loon Lake	5.4	3314'/1640'	Moderate over logging road, steep eroded near summit	NO	56	
Owls Head	6.2	2785'/1150'	Steady gain, steep near summit	YES	41	
Poke-o-Moonshine via Ranger	2.4	2162'/1285'	Short and steep, but with many stone steps	YES	82	
Poke-o-Moonshine via Observer	4.8	2162'/1392'	Follows an old road, steep near summit	YES	82	
St. Regis	6.8	2882'/1266'	Long, easy stretch then a steep section near summit	YES	42	
Woodhull from McKeever Rd	15.2	2359'/812'	Very long, flat trail, then moderate climb	NO	91	
Woodhull from Remsen Falls	10	2359'/812'	Parking 2.6 mi from highway saves distance	NO	91	
MOST CHALLENGING						
Adams	5.2	3520'/1800'	Very steep near summit	YES	63	
Blue	4	3750'/1550'	Short, steady gain over lots of bedrock	YES	44	
Gore	9.4	3595'/2560'	Long, very near top on loose gravel road	NO	73	
Hurricane via 9N	6.8	3678'/2000'	Longer, with steeper sections near summit	YES	60	
Hurricane via Crow Clearing	6	3678'/1600'	Moderate grades, steeper near summit	YES	60	
Lyon	8.6	3829'/1930'	Long, new trail with switchbacks	YES	75	
Pillsbury	3.2	3689'/1337'	Short, but trail is continously steep	YES	77	
Snowy	7.8	3899'/2106'	Long with very steep parts	YES	63	
Vanderwhacker	5.4	3389'/1650'	Level first half then very steep	YES	55	
Wakely	6	3750'/1635'	Level first half then very steep	YES	65	

For more information: Freeman and Schneider, *Views from on High*, 2nd ed. Lake George NY, Adirondack Mountain Club, 2017 \*NOTE: Some towers are closed permanently, others are safe to climb but cabs might be locked. Woodhull lacks safety barriers.