

Via Cathedral Glen?

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# SIMON'S ROCK, elev 3222'

with Aaron Bennett, a COOD hike, 6/4/06 + forevevmsar Kenny Gienhoff

Site	P	ΔP	Δe	scale	emap	time	R
(A) Pine Kill, Main St.*	29.84	0.00	—	0.915	1490	±9:10 AM	$\frac{3375 - 1490'}{29.84 - 29.77} = \frac{1885'}{206''} = 0.915$
(B) Leave LTD RR	29.60	0.24	220	1710	1740	9:35	
(C) bark road junc.	29.38	0.46	421	1911			
(D) base ski slope	28.77	1.07	979	2469		10:18	
(E) junc. ski slope	28.51	1.33	1217	2707			
(F) leave ski slope	28.16	1.68	1537	3027			
(G) on crest road**	27.88	1.96	1793	3283			
(H) Belknap SE Summit	27.78	2.06	1885	3375	3375	11:10	
(I) Simon's Rock	27.94	1.90	1739	3229		11:20 arr	
" "	27.95	1.82	1724	0.947		11:55 lv.	
(K) Belknap SE Summit	27.78	1.99	1885	3375	3375	12:05	$\frac{3375 - 1490'}{29.78 - 29.77} = \frac{1885'}{19''} = 0.947$
(J) Lost Cove Trail Jc.	28.37	1.40	1326	2816	2830		
(K) Hemlocks reenter	29.00	0.77	730	2220			
(L) on Wauchock Rd.	29.03	0.74	701	2191			
(X) LTD de pot	29.69	0.13	123	1613	1659		
(A) Pine Kill Main St	29.77	0.00	—	←	1490	1:43 PM	

\* Pine Kill Community Center

\*\* COL is 3250'

Elevation of Simon's Rock:

1st calc: 3229

2nd calc: 3214

$\Sigma \frac{6443}{2}$

mean calc  $\bar{x}$  3222

Vegetation notes over →



1911' <sup>CONTINUES</sup> (C) Bark road straight ahead. Trail turns left & climbs more steeply; may not be following a branch bark road.

2702' (E) Branch ski slope heads down to NW, almost directly to upper lodge. Ski slopes dom-by hayscented fern.

Along W side of Woodchuck Rd, below the small clearing, are stone walls, elev ± 2000'

3029' (F) Trail diverges from ski slope. Definitely 1st growth above here; it may also continue below for a short distance. Furniture factory at Highmant must have run out of sugar maple up here although a few continue above into a yellow birch-dominated stony stand. Basal ground cover (F) to (G) including oxalis, Skunk Currant, large-leaved goldenrod, Canada mayflower, and Mantam woodfern (Campyloptera) in sunny openings. Black cherry dominant on crest from (G) to (H) where soil is less stony & the forest canopy more continuous.

3222' (I) Simon's Rock. Ledge is high & continues on to the east for some distance, needing explanation. Sugar maple common at lookout & below, but beech thicket on top. Mtn-maple & Clintonia.

between (H) & (J) = Ranunculus recurvatus along road between summit & lean-to in several places. Is this the only station in the Catskills for hooked buttercup? Jeepy site similar to those at Paul Smith's.

(J) to (K) <sup>NEAR</sup> Where 1987 log road diverged (photo # \_\_\_\_\_), a new trail with orange markers descends to Pine Hill Lake & beach. Just below is a serious defoliation band by forest tents, incl. beech! Then a less defoliated area with a 2nd trail down to Pine Hill Lake & beach. Below a 2nd mass defoliation band.

More Defoliation areas: ① Along Galli Curci Road east of Flmann Mtn. Rd. ② Hiram's Knob north slopes. ③ Dry Brook Ridge mid-slopes above Rider Hollow confluence.

(L) to (M) Difficult to rephoto since 1987 because of beech thickets