

# Mt. Tobias from the South

Bill Riemann 5/12/95  
 (Came up with John Bailey)

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Location	Map elev.	P	$\Delta p$	$\Delta e$	e
A Wittenberg Rd + Winnie Rd (C.I.C.)	870	30.62	0.00	0	870
B Wittenberg Rd + Abbey Rd.	920	30.58	0.04	40	910
C Switchback on Abbey Rd.		30.00	0.62	613	1483
D Begin hike		29.62	1.00	988	1858
E End of Abbey Rd.		29.54	1.08	1068	1938
F blaze, log rd, begin steep up		29.41	1.18	1166	2036
G		29.12	1.50	1483	2353
H Tobias Summit	2540	28.89	1.73	1710	2540
I		29.30	1.32	1305	2175
J		29.40	1.22	1206	2076
K On log road		29.50	1.12	1107	1977
L 4 corners log roads		29.65	0.97	959	1829
M wet flat		29.77	0.85	840	1710
N John Bailey's cabin site		29.82	0.80	791	1661
BURN					
O Cabin		29.78	0.84	830	1700
P		29.80	0.82	811	1681
Q old dilapidated cabin		29.82	0.80	791	1661
R		29.90	0.72	712	1582
S		30.00	0.62	613	1483
T		30.20	0.42	415	1285
U		30.24	0.38	376	1246
V		30.26	0.36	356	1226
W		30.30	0.32	316	1186
X		30.51	0.11	109	979
Y		30.57	0.05	49	919
A Wittenberg Rd + Winnie Rd	870	30.62	0.00	0	870

Route:  
 total  $\Delta e$   
 2580' - 870'  
 = 1710'

total  $\Delta p$   
 1.73"

Ratio  
 $\frac{1710}{1730} = 0.9884$

Hikers: Bill Riemann  
 Mt. Top Knot Soc. { John Bailey [leader & familiar with old cabin at (N)]  
 Angie (Angela?) Madavian,  
 He likes streetcars → Brian Sunn  
 (Came up with Bill Riemann in 1990)



Vegetation

Hemlock (D)(F)(H)(I)(K)(O),  
grove

E-White pine (F)(I)(K)(Q)(O)(G) several scattered  
one 22" DBH. natural grove on (O) }  
W of bum, 70' x 24' }

Beech (D), between (W)(X) with nearly  
flawless bark, ca 24" DBH

ASH (D)(F), within 100' of (H) on west slope,

SUB (D)(H)

N-Red Oak (D)(F)(H)(K)(O)

RM (H)

Chestnut oak (D)(F)(K)(O)

White oak (P) leaves only on ground = tree not seen

MO (D)

PB (D), (H) dead, (K), (O), (F)

BB (F)(I)

H-Dogwood (V), (Y) in flower [photo SE of (A)].

SASS (A)

Tulip (U), samara below (G) on ground!!

Butternut (T)

SNAG (X)

BASS (U)

YB (G)

BC (H)

OST (H)

Hamam (F)(H)

Klat (D)(K)(E)(E), abun in bum  
area (W) to (O).

Vacc ang (G)(H)(K)  
↑  
dense

Herbs

DP at (D)

Koustonia above (L)

Gaultheria (R)

Soils

Ochrept cuts (not red soils)  
in road cuts at brook east of (N).  
Also between (S)(T), road cut  
into till 4' deep.

Timetable

(D) About 10:45 AM

(H) NOON to 12:40 PM

(A) 3:30 PM

# Forest History

① to ⑥ on gently-sloping terrace:  
stumps dating back to 1960s  
or 1970s + log roads. Same for area beginning  
↓ about 20' below ⑤ through ⑥ to ⑦.

Wm? → says that Nelson Shultz owned  
this tract & logged it several  
times beginning in the late 1930s.  
Sold to DMK "7 to 8 years ago",  
ie. mid to late 1980s.

⑥ to ⑦: charcoal on steep slope,  
but burn must have been  
long ago [unless only brush]:  
Hem & <sup>Chitan</sup> Red oak both to  
24" DBH.

④ Tobias Summit:  
Red oak down, many dead &  
down. JUV yang replacing  
it, Hem on NW shoulders  
Canopy to 40'. Very few saplings  
of anything: open  
woods.

⑧ to ⑩ E white pine along  
road growing out of  
base of an old stump.  
Pine estimated to be  
20 to 30 years old,  
thus dating the logging.

May 7 ~ 132-8  
Burn of ~~April~~, 1995

Uister County Courthouse  
See ~~Kington Freeman~~ newspaper  
of ~~4/30/95 Sunday~~ <sup>5/1/95 Thursday</sup> (?) for  
article. 150 acres here, homes  
threatened several fire depts.  
fighting the blaze, according to  
John Bailey.

Mostly Klat & Sapling  
trees burned. Mature trees' trunks  
scorched black on SE & S sides  
to 10 or 15' above ground, with one  
PB scorched to 25' up.  
White pine & Hem saplings  
needles scorched. This was  
a brush fire which probably  
swept upslope from Abbe Rd.  
to NW.

50 acres burned in Chester  
about the same time.

Our hiking party detected  
the charcoal smell first between  
④ & ⑤ and then again at ⑥,  
only about 300 to the E.

Several photos, one showing  
a fire line which had been built.