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POINTER NW (area SW of Beaverkill Suspension bridge)

with Ben Murdock 9/23/07

site	P	Δp	Δe	e calc	e map	time	R
Trailhead, B'kill Road (A)	29.50	0.00	0	2200	2200'	9:45am	$\frac{3040 - 2200'}{29.50 - 28.56} = \frac{840'}{0.94} = 0.894$
(B) 2nd stump, on trail	29.44	0.06	54	2254	ep 170	10:00	
(C) End log road	29.32	0.18	161	2361		10:45	
(D) stump	29.23	0.27	241	2441	JM 1979		
(E) stump	29.20	0.30	268	2468			
(F) Cross old blaze, top ledge	29.17	0.33	295	2495	ep 537	11:00	
(G) talus, boulders, ledge	29.16	0.34	304	2504		11:17	
(H) BAS	29.14	0.36	322	2522			
(I) stump	29.14	0.36	322	2522	ep 538	11:35	
(J) Lunch	29.15	0.35	313	2513		11:50 to 12:15	
(K) stump	29.22	0.28	250	2450		12:30	
(L) bedrock table	29.21	0.29	259	2459			
(M) log road, 2nd	29.25	0.25	224	2424		12:55	
(N) 3rd log road ends	29.27	0.23	206	2406	ep 539	1:04	
(O) Turn back on blaze	29.23	0.27	241	2441		1:22	
(P) HEM grave, enter	29.26	0.24	215	2415		1:30	
(Q) Beaver meadow	29.25	0.25	224	2424	2350	1:2-25	
(R) between 2 inlet brooks	29.22	0.28	250	2450			
(S) Photo R brown	29.10	0.40	358	2558			
(T) huge balders; bare of steep	28.95	0.55	492	2692		3:08	
(U) top of steep	28.78	0.72	644	2844			
(V) SUB terrace	28.70	0.80	715	2915		3:30	
(W) N Crest of Pointer, flat on trail	28.56	0.94	840	3040	3040'	3:45	$\frac{3040 - 2200'}{29.45 - 28.56} = \frac{840'}{0.89} = 0.944$
(WW) begin down	28.57	0.88	831	3031		4:20	
(X) higher ASW	28.80	0.65	614	2814			
(Y) SUB dam	28.85	0.60	566	2766			
(Z) 3' low ledge	28.95	0.50	472	2672		4:40	

(continued, over)

29.45 = 0Δ

0.944

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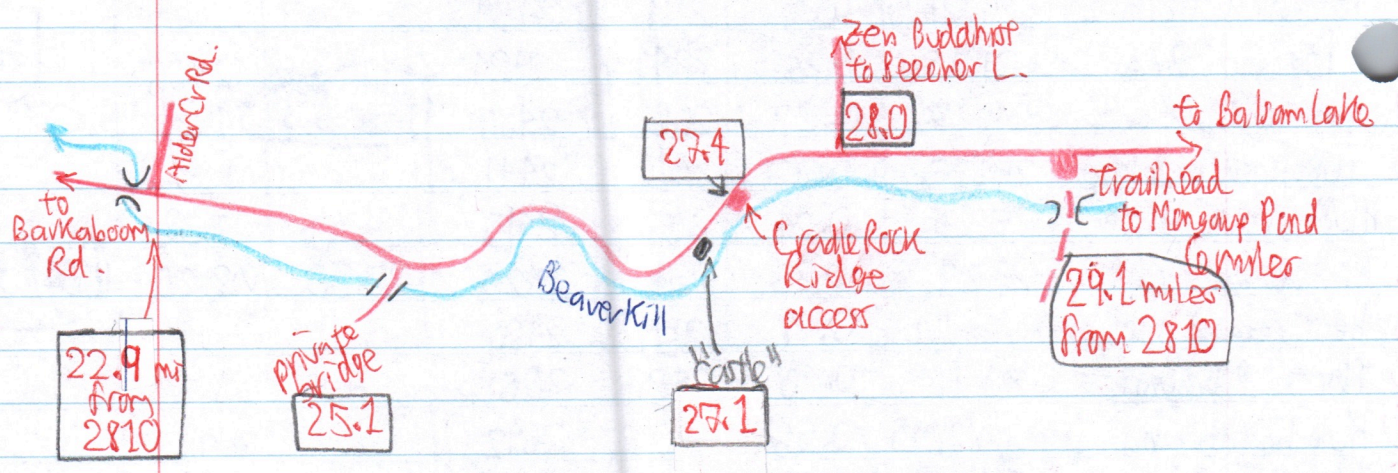
AA	LAP terrace ASH	29-04	0.41	387	2587	
BB	EUP terrace, tumE	29-16	0.29	274	2474	
CC	CB	29-26	0.19	179	2379	
DD	tumW down ledge	29-36	0.09	85	2285	
EE	Stump	29-45	0.00	—	2200	
A	OUT, B'kill rd.	29.45	0.00	—	2200	5:00

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Beaverkill is approx. 30 ft below the road at ±2165'

FF	29-44	0.06	54	2254	10:30
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Distances along Beaverkill Road:



More times: Cross dry ravine 10:30
 1st obs. log road before (C) 10:32 before following it up.

McAllister & Ochman (1989, p. 304) state that the Mangamp-Kandenburgh Trail was built in 1977.

aban. pasture → □ ← cellar hole
● ● ← turn SUBs

partial view to Inb. Valley to B'kill from north, brook 1/2 mile E of Beechor L-outlet

to Turnwood ← register (A) 2200' to Balsam Lake

Suspension bridge (E) 2200' Stump 1
seep
seep
4 Stump 3
Stump 2 2254' (B)
new fence built by Balsam Lake Club
large boulder (D) 2285'

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faded old yellow blaze
Top of ledge (F) 2495'

(I) 2522' Stumps

(G) 2504' ledged boulders

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2254' (FF)

(C) 2361'

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(BB) EUP terrace 2474'

(CB) 2379'

Lunch stop (J) 2513'

(H) 2522'

Stump 6 2768' (E)

Stump 5 2441' (D)

(AA) 2587' LAP terrace 15' ledge

STUMPS 2450' (K)
dense beech thickets

ledges abruptly turn a corner
high ledge, 50'?

1st ledge on descent since (W)

3' ledge (Z) 2672'
SUB dom (V) 2766'

"tableland" ledge (L) 2459'
dry channel (M) 2424'

corner not found see note on p.

Log road RM2

4' high waterfall (dry) at end of log road - turn back on blaze (O) 2441'

Log road ends at blaze (N) 2406'

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(P) enter HEMLOCK grove 2415'

fen → in grove BOB #346 (Q) 2424'

(R) 2450'

(S) 2558'

begin steep pitch (T) 2692'

SUB terrace (V) 2915'

(U) 2844'

trail long flat spur (W) 3040' end hike

huge boulder large SUB-LAP seep

cap ledge 10' high pointer

20' ledge (H) of 1990 (see p. 280-4)

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Vegetation Notes

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- (DD) CB, OK, \$INT, but CB NOT common. More at (CC) above. Nil on Painter N Spur above. Several seeps between (DD) + (C), emerging from base of ledge. One with Adiantum. 3 ASH. Open woods, SUB dom but NOT defoliated, easy bushwhacking.
- (FF) Largest SUB 18" because logging might have removed the larger ones.
- (F) ASH scattered 6" to 16". No trees over 24". e-p 537
- (G) Larger trees in area not logged.
- (H) 1st BASS, ^{two} more to West at (I)
- (I) Reenter logged area with ASH dom + max 24". 1st common. e-p 538
- (K) to (L) Beech thickets became increasingly denser. The "tableland ledge" is a flat area, a westerly extension of the Painter NW Spur, at a low elev. 2450'. The ledge is 10' high, is highly fragmented with crevices forming a labyrinth. Shallow till creates numerous DP fem openings. No stumps here because of no large trees.
- (P) Hemlock grove includes a small fen at its south end, within sight of the meadow. CINN, Sphagnum, Minum. Most peat 10" to 15", but one spot 20".

BOB #346

- (Q) Beaver Meadow, the north bay includes a bog dom by Sphagnum + CINN + Cortic. 24" deep. Possibly deeper further out, but too wet to continue without high boots. Beaver meadow 1st detected on aerial photos (where? at Equalization + Assessment? Ulster Co 1979 Soils book shows it only faintly). Many HEMS + a Gray birch growing out near the meadow's east edge are betw. 20 + 40 y old, suggesting a ban of dam in 1960s or early 1970s. Trees are scattered in meadow. 3 photos. In center are 2 Lonicera tatarica Dead HEMS. Live RM, YB. SPIRAEA TOM, VACC ANG, IMP RAIRS, ANOMALIS, POLYG SAG SOLID GRAM + RUB ASTER PUN + SIMPLEX, LICORUS, CRISTATA, EQUITSETUM ONOCLEA, ROYAL F. ARV.
- (R) to (S) Extensive SUB-LAP seep with Phragmites at (S) photo. Beech thickets replace SUB as one approaches the talus at (T) with a giant boulder as big as a house.
- (U) Beech dom on top of ledges. ILIX MONTS + HAMAM.
- (V) SUB terrace. Campyl. enters.
- (W) to (WW) BC dom. canopy height 60' on spur.
- (X) 12" ASH, just one. SUB reenter?
- (Y) SUB dom. NPF turning Purple
- (AA) LAP terrace. More ASH. SUB dom.
- (BB) EUP terrace. * (CC) CB (also patch w/ of (DD)).

Stumps & Age of Logging Operations

(EE) to (E) Logged before this tract was sold to SNK. Trail ^{built 1977 (Ochman)} ~~built 1977 (McAllister)~~ ¹⁹⁷⁷. So stumps pre-date ~~1977~~. Along trail, stumps do not reach top of 1st ledge at (DD), 2285', but climb higher progressively westward as ledge petens at to 2468' at (E) ep 170" #537. Only evidence of a skin road was at (C) where it was followed to its end at base of ledges & talus boulders.

ep #538

Stumps reappear at (I) through (K), below the ledges & under 2550 feet. Probably also pre-date sale to SNK by 1977. Stumps look > 40 y at (K). ASK dominant at (I) look too old to have been established by the most recent logging. Prob. follow an earlier logging.

The logging on private Gangjeng Lands is more recent at (M), (N) & (O). Log roads end abruptly at blaze. Probably about 1990. Stumps 15 to 20 y old. ep #539

The SNK corner above (O) was not found. The blaze running NW of it we must have crossed, unknowingly, either in the open DP "tableland" or in dense B thickets. Yellow blazes are faded & hard to follow. Ben noticed 2 orange posted signs which helped locate the blaze

Largest trees & ages 280-65

- (G) 35.7" SUB, two more about 24" 28" YB ±. Scattered ASK ± 8".
- (H) SUB 24" broken at 7' up. 7" ^{later} radius = 60 y. 12" full radius. tree #52
- (I) SUB 34.5".
- (N) + (O) Along blaze is a 37.8" RM, deformed, prob. heart-rotted & not cut.
- (P) Largest NEM 36.5", far larger than the others, at the NE end of the grove. NEM continue into the meadow at (Q) but none large, despite prob. never having been barked.
- (Q) to (R) dead Beech (1 branch still live on top?) 27.9". Photo
- (S) 36.1" SUB.

Arena Quad. photorec'd 1982 direr NRT show a corner. SNK lines are shown.

running SW from the corner.

Still private? See 1982 Arena Quad rec'd