

# WINNISOOK LAKE MOUNTAIN NORTH SLOPES

240-16

with Jeffrey Wiegert, 11/1/14

(overcast, no rain)  
Temp about 40° F

SITE	COMPASS BAROMETER						ASCENT
	P	$\Delta p$	$\Delta e$	e calc	e map	time	
⊙ Big Indian ‡	30.26	-0.84	-790	1210' ✓	1210'	9:00 AM	$R_1 = \frac{2000' - 1210'}{30.26 - 29.42} = \frac{790'}{0.84} = 0.940$ $R_2 = \frac{2000' - 1210'}{30.20 - 29.34} = \frac{790'}{0.86} = 0.919$ DESENT
Ⓐ Begin hike	29.42	0.00	—	—	2000'	9:30	
Cross Escopus Creek							
Ⓑ on Winnisook log road	29.32	0.10	94	2094'		< 9:55	
Ⓒ approach SNY	29.06	0.36	338	2338'		10:12	
Ⓓ SNY forest	28.99	0.43	404	2404'		10:30	
Ⓔ 1st ledge	28.82	0.60	564	2564'			
Ⓕ 30" hollow ASH	28.70	0.72	677	2677'	ep #678 A <sup>2660</sup>		
Ⓖ {Lunch. Highest Point.	28.62	0.80	752	2752' }	—	11:40 to	
{Turn-around	28.62	0.72	662	2662' }	—	12:05	
Ⓗ Wend terrace	28.73	0.61	561	2561'			
Ⓙ bark road ends	28.92	0.42	386	2386'		1:00	
Ⓚ bark road on ledge	28.98	0.36	331	2331'			
Ⓛ junction log road	29.14	0.20	184	2184'		1:30	
Ⓜ ford	29.24	0.10	92	2092'		1:55	
Ⓝ leave log road	29.32	0.02	18	2018'		2:10	
Ⓞ tributary falls	29.41	-0.07	-64	1936'			
Ⓟ Escopus falls (snack stop)	29.52	-0.18	-165	1835' ex	1840'	2:50 to 3:15	
Ⓐ End hike	29.34	0.00	—	—	2000'	3:40	
Ⓟ Big Indian	30.20	-0.86	-790	1210' ✓	1210'		
Ⓡ Giant Ledge Trailhead*	29.23	+0.19	175	2175' ✓	2170'	calculated with R1	

\* to test barometers only

‡ for calculation of R rather because highest elev. Ⓖ is unknown.

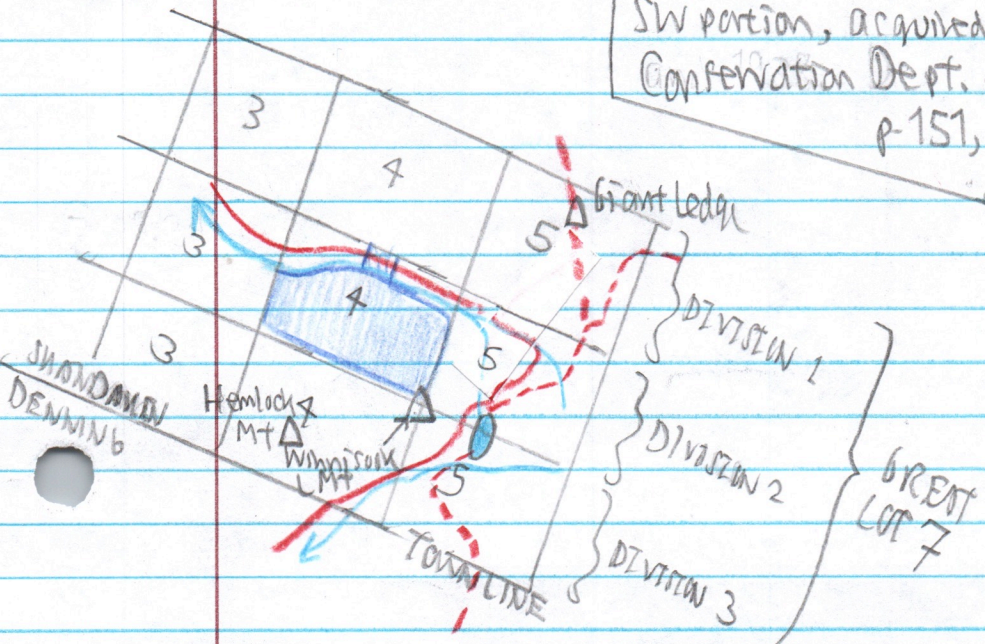
Mileage : 11.4: 2810 to Big Indian recreation park via Todd Mtn Rd.  
 Σ 25.5 = Return Σ via Arkville,

# ANSCO BAROMETER

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site (See p. 240-16)	p	$\Delta p$	$\Delta e$	e calc	e map	time	R3 @ to A ASCENT
				$R_3 = 1.000$			
(O)	30.29	-0.79	790	1210 ✓	1210'		$\frac{2000' - 1210'}{30.29 - 29.50} = 1.000$
(A)	29.50	0.00	—	—	2000'		
(C)	29.12	0.38	380	2380'			$\frac{2000' - 1210'}{30.20 - 29.40} = 0.988$
(E)	28.90	0.60	600	2600'			
(F) <b>e-p# 678 A<sup>2600'</sup></b>	28.82	0.68	680	2680'			
(G)	28.75	0.75	750	2750'			
(I)	28.75	0.65	642	2642'			
(K)	28.95	0.45	445	2445			
(M)	29.12	0.28	277	2277			
(P)	29.38	0.02	20	2020			
(A)	29.54	-0.14	-138	1862	1840'		
(O)	29.40	0.00	—	—	2000'		
(Z)	30.20	-0.80	-790	1210 ✓	1210'		
				$R_4 = 0.988$			R4 DESCENT (A) to (O)
	29.34	0.16	158	2158 on	2170'		

**HARDENBURGH PATENT LOTS:** Lingston Tract  
 Great Lot 7, Division 2, Lot 4  
 SW portion, acquired by SMC in 1927. See  
 Conservation Dept. Annual Report for 1927,  
 p-151, from John Van Ben Schoen,  
 rec'd - 10/6/10. 534.09 acres



The log road is still well intact, with only minor erosion and young saplings. Logging was done prior to SMC 1927 acquisition !?!

1st elevation is COMPASS  
2nd elevation is ANSCO

# Vegetation

ASH 30' about  
20' above  
base steep

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(A) 2000' (map)

Leave (47) into Winnisook Club sugarbush, large goldenrod field, + big dense \$INT popln. above. Field could have been a log deck?

Cross Esopus Creek

(B) 2094'

On Winnisook log road, built well with water ditches to drain it. Probably not used since 1960s or 1970s by stump ages — not recent.

T-55 Log road forks

(C) 2338', 2380'

Winnisook log road in sight of SNK blaze. Forests not that different on either side except stumps gone on SNK. ASH scattered. Short stub road diverges north. All \$INT.

(D) 2404'

SNK forest.

ASH + BC common, largest ASH 16" + largest BC 24", but most trees 12" to 15" and regrew after cutting prior to 1927. One dead + down 18" B56T00TH.

(E) 2514', 2600'

1st ledge on moderately steep slope about 50' above base. Cut 1930s? (Probably yes --- see p. 240-17). ASH common. Even-aged stand continues 12" to 20" dbh

Terrace above has  
SUG + EUP.

2 ASH along (47) at old fields with woodpecker-chipped bark, prob from borer pecks.

(F) 2677', 2680' Slope steepens

30" hollow ash, with 85 rings in outer 7" of radius. Must predate the logging + well over 100y old. 1st HEMlocks visible to west. Climb obliquely west into hemlocks. e-p #678A

(G) 2752', 2750' (Percent 2662', 2692')

In hemlock grove, but HEMs not dense, mixed with hardwoods. About 20 hemlocks to 28" max. 24" SUG, YBS also > 24", a few ASH.

A few isolated hemlock individuals up to about 75' higher (not climbed to). Lunch on steep, bouldery slope. Start descent.

(H) 2561'

Flat terrace below steep pitch at (G) with a BASS on it. OX+LL+\$INT.  
NO \$CAMMYL obs all day

At west end of terrace, descend to NW. Stump.

Old 2nd stump with wood (PB) sample collected, above lower HEM grove — younger to 24" (not old trees). Ravine head in cove to west. Descend into it.

2 ASH along (47) at old fields with woodpecker-chipped bark, prob from borer pecks.

(I) 2386', 2445'

Upper end of bank road. Few more BASS. More old stumps.

2331'

(J) Bank road descends low ledge which increases in height to the NE. Another HEM grove to E. large. Water now in the ravine.

(K) 2184', 2277'

More recent log road comes in from E + joins bank road. Several 28" SUGs + BASS, etc.

2092'

(L) Log road turns down ravine bank + fords. Mixed HEM — hardwoods, the HEMs to 30" with sparse foliage.

(M) 2018', 2020'

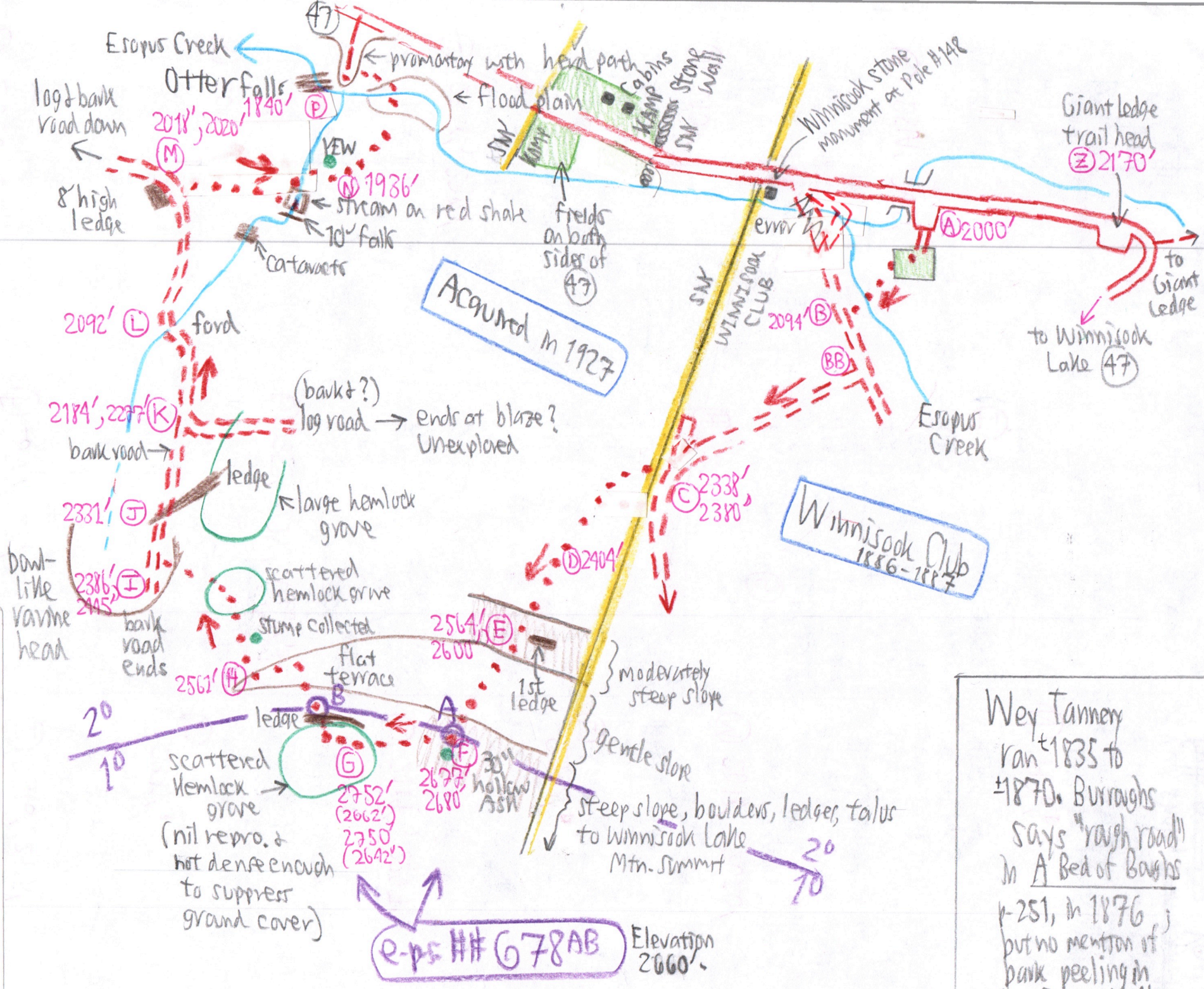
Log road wraps around bare of 8' ledge, built up on a terrace + turns WNW almost parallel to the Esopus. We turn down slope to NE bushwhacking through dense \$INT to 30" tall. HEMS 24" to 30"

(N) 1936'

Tributary ravine with Cataraugus <sup>and 10' falls</sup> over ss ledges, then flowing over flat red shale. Kew.

Trees looked > 80y old.

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e-ps #678AB Elevation 2660'

Wey Tannery ran ±1835 to ±1870. Burroughs says "rough road" in A Bed of Bays p-251, in 1876, but no mention of bark peeling in the Esopus Valley.