

Mill Brook Ridge - "Birch Browsings"

270-111

with Joan Burroughs, 4/23/17

Route

Site	p	Δp	Δe	e calc	emap	time	rate
(A) Trailhead, Kelly Hollow east	29-80	0.00			1775'	AM 10:50	$R_1 = \frac{3480' - 1775'}{29-80' - 28-10''} = \frac{1705'}{1-70''}$
(B) Leave trail	29-45	0.35	351	2126	±2140'	11-40	
(C) penultimate wall	29-38	0.42	421	2196		NOON	
(D) last wall	29-22	0.58	582	2357		12:10	
(E) snack flat rock	29-02	0.78	782	2557		12:40	
(F) Camp (modern) 1st stump coll	28-78	1-02	1023	2798		1:07	
(G) 2nd Stump collected	28-70	1-10	1103	2878		1:20	
(H) last stump collected	28-60	1-20	1204	2979		1:30	
(I) Bog #319 col	28-46	1-34	1344	3119	3130'	1:53 to ca 2:10	
(J) { Summit MBR } 3480'	28-10	1.70	1705	3480' ✓	3480'	2:53	
(K) giant boulders	28-24	1.51	1579	3354		3:30	$R_2 = \frac{3480' - 1775'}{28-75' - 28-12''} = \frac{1705'}{1-63''}$
(I) Bog #319 col	28-42	1.33	1391	3166	3130'	3:42	
(L) no stumps	28-75	1-00	1046	2821		4:05	
(M) ledge flat rock	28-78	0.97	1015	2790		4:35	
(N) confluence, highest	29-15	0.60	628	2403		5:05	
(O) last wall	29-16	0.59	617	2392			
(C) penultimate wall	29-33	0.42	439	2214		snack	
(B) on trail	29-40	0.35	366	2111	±2140'	5:42	
(A) Trailhead	29-75	0.00			1775'	6:30	

$R_2 = 1.046$

$R_1 = 1.003$
 $R_2 = 1.046$

Vegetation

Burroughs' Route

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(C) + (D) Norway spruce end between these 2 points, ca-elev. 2275' to 2300'. Bigtooth aspen here.

(F) Tarps, barrels & other gear from recent campng. SUBs to 30", ASH. 1st Stump Coll. Just below 1st ledge. ALLIUM abundant, DENTITAR.

(G) 2nd stump collected.

(G0) More SUBs to 30", ALLIUM flat, Beech sprouts becoming common.

(H) Last stump collected.

Attain crest at E end of Summit 3260, just W of the lesser bog. In several minutes ---

(I) Bog #319.

(J) No sign of a spring issuing forth from under the whole south part of the MBR Summit cap ledge. Despite a wet spring & 2-foot snowfall on March 14th, the CIANN swale on summit was not wet.

1904 Millville Quad shows Kelly farmhouse at 2160', well above E fork & road turning steeply up to it from the E fork.

Did the spring ^{at (J)} completely disappear since 1868, suggesting a hydrologic change? Or are we on the wrong summit? Very unlikely because it's on the Thomas' Lake-Alder Creek divide.

No sign of any water flow in recent years from under this ledge.

Burroughs could NOT have ascended via the east side of Kelly Hollow.

He would have passed the farm of surprised settlers and remembered it on his erroneous descent back down to the Mill Brook side. He must have ascended the

(L) No stumps on descent at all until the old road just above (N). This means that Corbett & Stuart cut a narrow swath up the mtn-side & did not venture far to the east. 10 bandary needs fine-tuning here.

west side.

He could have passed any of the 4 CIANN fens, or all of them, including #310 & #319. #310 a bit unlikely because it is so far west.

Joan thinks the "big rock" where the guide left them is the high ledge just of #319, now along the trail. If so, then after the guide left, Burroughs & Co. basically followed him back down.

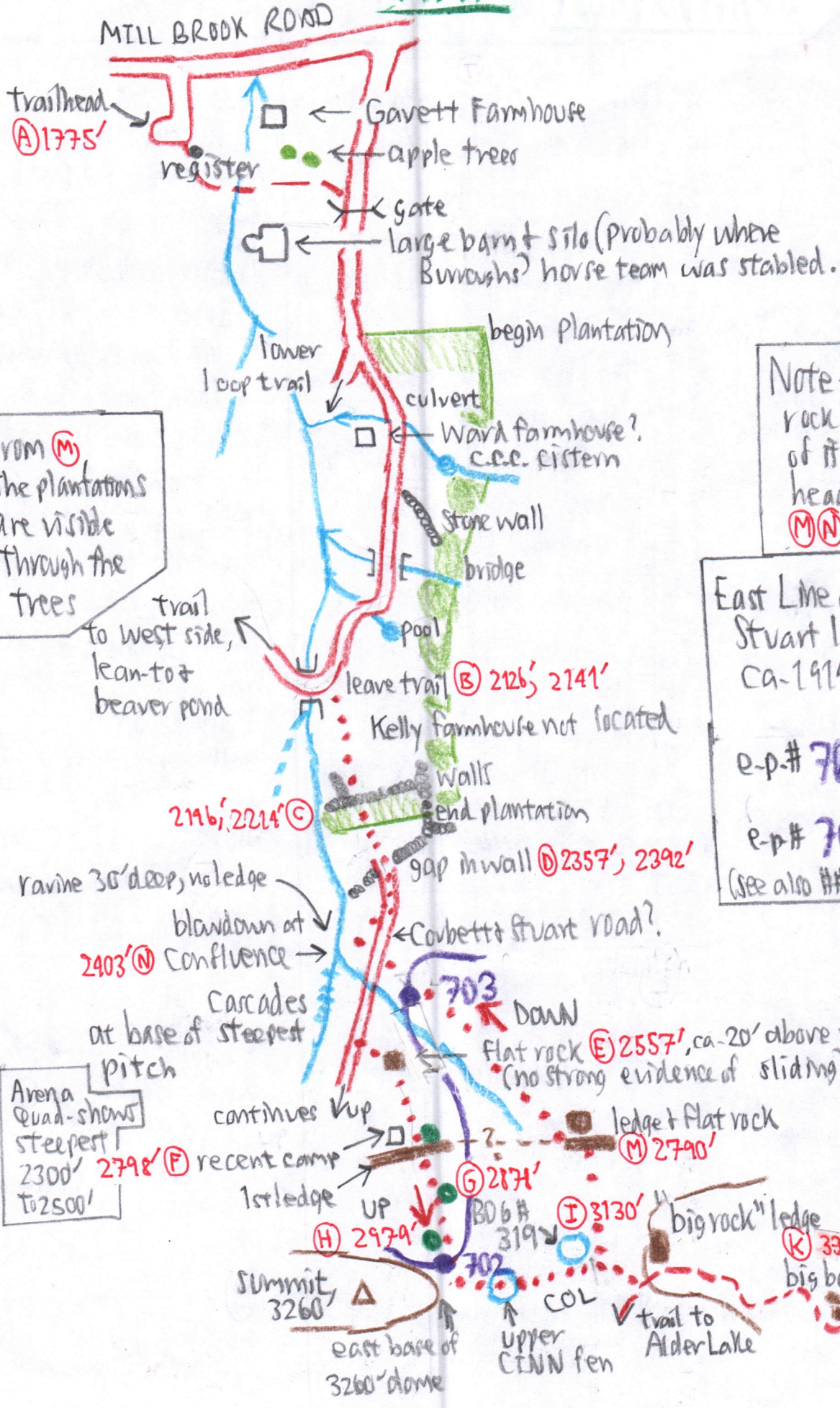
The sliding rock, used as a camp the 1st night could have been at (E), but more likely at (M). It is larger on top to sleep three.

WOOD I.D. from at least 3 stumps, more likely 5 or 6 stumps.

ALL YB from 1914 era?

(N) big blowdown at confluence.

MAP



- Stumps collected
- (F) 2798'
 - (G) 2874'
 - (H) 2979'

Note: The ledge + flat rock that split off of it are at the head of tributary (M)(N)

from (M) The plantations are visible through the trees

East Line of Covetta Stuart logging, ca-1914

e-p.# 702 at (H), 3000'

e-p.# 703 above (N) 2500' ±

(see also #192, 254 + 193)

Arena Quad - shows steepest 2300' to 2500'

To Woodpecker Ridge (trail)