

Scott's Run Hike



ACTION

As a continuum of Hiking Heroes' trekking adventures, they decided to visit a new park on April 4, 2021! This hike was quite difficult because of the steep rocks, but the water view the height provided was worth it. As the weather was turning warmer, the club enjoyed the light breeze amongst the trees.

To the left, you can see a mini waterfall that we found on the way!

EXPERIENCE

Scott's Run Park was quite clean, but instead the group learned something new about the plants residing there. As the members were hiking up a particularly steep mountain, they noticed some women were picking and collecting specific ferns. After inquiring, the members learned that these plants were an invasive species known as "Garlic Mustard".

If you're ever on a hike, especially near Virginia, make sure to keep an eye out for these plants! Collecting them will help balance the biodiversity of the environment.

MEMBERS' THOUGHTS

At the end of the hike, many of our members agreed that this trek was pretty challenging. Scott's Run Park was impressively clean, but instead of focusing on trash that day, it was intriguing to realize that cigarette butts aren't the only thing harming the environment. At times, certain species may be overbearing for the earth, just like Garlic Mustard!