

**Hyderabad and adventure** - an unlikely combination but the Great Hyderabad Adventure Club (GHAC) merges them into an adventurous union. Started in May 2008 by Diyanat Ali, a software engineer by profession, GHAC is one of the first online adventure clubs of Hyderabad. The club has received a great response from the otherwise 'laidback' city of the Nizams and till date has successfully completed over 250 Adventure Activities and has a total of over 2600 members and growing!

### **Inception:**

Diyanat Ali who is the chief organizer of the club developed an interest for adventure when he was a member of the NCC. Even after leaving the NCC he didn't let go of his love for adventure and turned it into a full fledged hobby. Together with a small group of friends Diyanat would go on regular treks and participate in adventure activities whenever time permitted, till 2008, when he came up with an idea of starting a club for people who were keen on trekking. So he started a meet up website [www.ghac.in](http://www.ghac.in)

GHAC has experienced and trained volunteers and had conducted a range of adventure activities from Rock climbing, Rappelling, Bouldering, Water Rafting, Sea sailing, trekking, Jungle Treks, Scaling hillocks, camping and anything that spells adventure.

More and more ideas and adventures are added by the very active and hard working organisers who are dedicated to making this group a leading adventure sports and activity centre for residents of Hyderabad. The fibre and fabric of this is to provide a better quality of life as make new friends in an exciting, healthy and safe manner.

GHAC is a non-profit organization focusing on weekend adventure trips with a physically challenging twist and professionals on hand to help one explore their active side. The group is currently made up of professionals in their early twenties to those in their Mid fifties. There are also two junior divisions that plan appropriate children's activities which is aimed to fostering personal growth and instilling courage and confidence through outdoor activities. GHAC is healthy nonalcoholic non-smoking group that ultimately creates camaraderie and great memories. It is also the largest meetup group in India, currently having over 40 Organizers and 2600 members.

Interesting Upcoming Trips are as follows

- Aqua Ocean Goa - Marine Wealth Awareness Programme - 15-17 Oct 2010
- Everest Base Camp Trek Nepal - 09 Oct - 24 Oct - 2010
- Paragliding Adventure Trip - - 29-30-31 Oct 2010
- Sailing and Sea Kayaking in Vizag - 12th -14th Nov 2010
- Snow Skiing Adventure in Auli - 15 - 21 Jan2011

This is not a complete list, but an overview of the different kinds of adventures planned and confirmed so far.

The group is getting increasingly popular with youngsters looking to utilize their weekends in a fun filled and adventurous way, and GHAC provides all the necessary information to make this easy and do-able. Accordingly, they make the arrangements from start to finish and provide the

group with researched information.

### **"GET MORE OUT OF LIFE"**

The club's philosophy and motto is "GET MORE OUT OF LIFE" which prompts them to venture out in the wilderness on the weekends away from the concrete jails. The club is for open to everyone, irrespective of gender, caste, creed, religion or economic status of any individual. It's for both the novice who wants to get started, for the amateur who wants to experiment and for the professional who want to share. Everyone with a good sense of fun and adventure is welcome.

The Club's Mission is to get people together for the purposes of:

- getting close to nature and enjoy nature in an eco friendly manner
- networking with the group and its members.
- build courage and confidence by taking part in outdoor activities
- foster team spirit, friendship and build leadership qualities in every individual
- inculcate & enhance a sense of discipline and spirit of sportsmanship and adventure
- enhance outdoor experience while living in or visiting Hyderabad.
- participating in regular outdoor activities for staying fit and healthy.

### **The age limit are**

Adults (18 - 60 Years) - can participate at free will.

Junior II (13-17 Years) - will need parent or guardian's written consent for participation.

Junior I (8-12 years) - can only participate along with a parent or a guardian.

To read about the recent treks please check the blog at <http://blog.ghac.in>

For more information on the club, its members and the adventure fun, please visit them at <http://meetup.ghac.in>

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