

The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition

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Fall Walkabout 2015

This season there's no need to choose between hiking and getting involved in trail work. We are offering a rich mix of the two rewarding ways to spend part of a day. For those interested in earning a trail completion certificate, you can complete six of the fourteen sections this fall.

Hikers are reminded to contact the leader at least one day in advance. Always dress in layers to anticipate changing weather conditions, bring a snack and plenty of water. See the back page of this newsletter for more information and photos related to the trail skills workshops.

| Date | Leader | Email | SRKG Trail Segment (Estimated Time) | Length (mi) | |
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| Sat 9/12 | Gerry Gold 526-2857 | geecubed@yahoo.com | Quabbin To Cardigan (Q2C) trail work | | |
| Sun 9/13 | Lisa Correa 518-281-1494 | c.lisa7716@gmail.com | Trail 7 From NH 4A over Bog Mountain to Wilmot Center. Moderate (3hrs) | <u> </u> | |
| Sat 9/19 | Gerry Gold 526-2857 | geecubed@yahoo.com | AMC rock moving workshop | | |
| Sun 10/4 | Lee Carvalho 735 ⁻ 57 ¹ 9 | leecarvalho6@gmail.com | Trail 4 Deer Hill Rd in Springfield to NH 114 Easy (2.5 hrs) | 4.1 | |
| Sat 10/10 | Nathan Richer 763-2127 | nricher@ruger.com | Trail 2 from Old Province Rd in Sunapee to Town office. Moderate (4 hrs) | 7.3 | |
| Sat 10/17 | Rosanna Dude 828-1001 | rosannaleigh@gmail.com | Trail 6 from Great Brook Bridge to NH4A in Wilmot. Easy (2 hrs) | 3.2 | |
| Sat 10/24 | Gerry Gold 526-2857 | geecubed@yahoo.com | Q2C trail work | | |
| Sun 10/25 | George Beaton 938-2637 | kimbalowe@gmail.com | Trail 1 from Newbury Harbor over the summit of Mt Sunapee to Old Province Rd Moderate (4.5 hrs) | | |
| Sat 10/31 | Andy Hager & Charlie Baughman 526-2846 or 603-667-3551 | andrew@hagarinvestments.com charles.baughman@gmail.com | Trail 5 NH 114 to Great Brook Bridge in New London. Difficult (6 hrs) | 8.4 | |

| Greenway Town Directors | | | | | |
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| Andover | Lee Carvalho | 735-5719 | | | |
| Danbury | | | | | |
| Goshen | Tom Lawton | 477-1995 | | | |
| Newbury | Nathan Richer | 763-2127 | | | |
| New London | Andy Hager | 526-2846 | | | |
| | Nick Baer | 526-8233 | | | |
| Springfield | Mike & Susan Chiarella | a 763-4661 | | | |
| | Charles Baughman (60 | 3) 667-3551 | | | |
| Sunapee | Sophie Sparrow (60 | 03) 313-8436 | | | |
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| | Dave Gardner | 927-4033 | | | |
| Warner | | | | | |
| Wilmot | Brian Faughnan | 526-7838 | | | |

Trail Skills Workshops

The instructor for September 12th and October 24th will be Lew Shelley, formerly with the Student Conservation Association's (SCA) Education and Training Dept. and now running his own trail design/construction business, SnowHawk LLC. Lew will focus on basic trail skills: drainage control and hillside trail leveling. Teaching rock step and waterbar construction on September 19th is Brendan Taylor of Appalachian Mountain Club.

With these workshops you'll find it is fun to help local trails. Erosion control, building rock waterbars, and basic pruning and trail maintenance skills are essential for a long-lasting hiking trail system. Project funding from the Quabbin-to-Cardigan Partnership enables SRKGC to bring these skilled teachers. See q2cpartnership.org.



In June an SCA national crew leader training group rebuilt steps to the Barlow Trail foot-bridge.

Family Fun on Mt. Sunapee

A picture perfect hike on Saturday afternoon June 13th. Six families and almost 20 people joined in this major Greenway assault up to Lake Solitude and the White Ledges of Mt. Sunapee. Starting at the Sunapee State Campground the group used the Rim Trail to connect with the SRK Newbury Trail. From Jack and June Junction some went down to explore Lake Solitude while others hiked up to the White Ledges for the view. Round Trip was about 5 miles and took about 3 hours total.



Elizabeth, Helen, Soeren & Noah relaxing at White Ledges overlooking Lake Solitude.

