

# The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition

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Winter hikes can be anything! Depending on the vagaries of weather you may need micro-spikes or snow shoes or XC skis. Contact the leader at least one day before the adventure for details including meeting time and place. Dress in layers, bring snacks and plenty of water. In addition to the list below there may be new hikes added, so be sure to check <a href="https://www.srkg.com">www.srkg.com</a> for updates.

Jan 14 (Sat) A moderate hike/walk/snowshoe on old Class VI Roads through Star Lake Farm in Springfield. 4-5 miles. Susan and Michael Chiarella (763-4661) (E/M)

Jan 21 (Sat) A repeat of last year's successful exploration in the Pillsbury Highlands. This will be a snowshoe hike along the Franklin Pierce Lead Mine Trail over several ridges to join the Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway. From there we'll hike to Lucia's Lookout. About 6 miles roundtrip. Tom Lawton (477-1995) (M/D)

Jan 29 (Sun) Winter Peak-Bagging Special! We'll start at Winslow State Park and summit Mt. Kearsarge (2,937') and then slide down to Kearsarge Valley Rd. About 6 miles ascending 1100' and descending 2100'. Microspikes or snowshoes expected; smiles and good attitude absolutely required. Nick Baer & Dave Gardner (927-4033) (D)

Feb 2 (Thurs) Skin-Ski-Repeat. Celebrate Groundhog Day at Mt. Sunapee and meet other local backcountry skiers. 7AM start has you back in the office by 9AM. Nathan Richer (344-0287) (D)

Feb 12 (Sun) XC ski from Twin Lake Villa to Morgan Pond and back. About 5 miles round trip. Andy Hager (470-6009) (M)

Feb 18 (Sat) Joel Sadler from SPNHF will join us for a XC ski up the Lincoln Trail. Ability to do turns with metal edge skis required. George Beaton (938-2637) (D)



Tom Lawton at Lucia's Lookout. Photo: Jim Block

Mar 4 (Sat) The fourth annual bushwhack with Frank Baker. Expect another snowshoe adventure exploring some remote part of East Andover. Lee Carvalho (581-8585) (E/M)

Membership fees are due in January. You can use this form to mail in your dues, or bring them to the annual meeting in March, or renew online at www.srkg.com.

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## New Town Director: Shelby Wischan

My name is Shelby, and I am obsessed with the outdoors! Anyone who has met me knows that I'm constantly seeking ways to get outside and help others do the same. I've lived in Warner for most of my life, having lived in Philadelphia for three years whilst obtaining my undergraduate degrees. While home on winter break my freshman year, I substitute taught at Kearsarge Regional Middle School (where I now currently work!). I met a lovely woman who described her recent accomplishment of having hiked all of the four thousand footers in New Hampshire. Having never heard of this challenge, I went home and conducted some research on the matter. My results left me stunned. I couldn't believe I had lived in this beautiful state for basically the entirety of my life and had never heard of such a thing! This challenge opened up a whole new world for me- a passion for hiking that has infiltrated the essence of who I am.



After beginning the pursuit of completing the forty-eight, I began seeking opportunities to hike elsewhere. I am blessed to have two supportive parents who have graciously helped me pursue my dreams, and my pursuit of adventure has led me to hike all over the world. While I still have yet to complete the four thousand footers, my newfound love for the mountains has led me to hiking in the mountains of New Zealand and China, completing the Inca Trail in Peru, and trekking to the Base Camp of Mount Everest!

My decision to join the SRKG was an easy one- I want to help others recognize how beautiful our state is. The more I travel, the more I am cognizant of the fact that we live in a beautiful area of the world. I look forward to being the Warner representative and promoting an appreciation of where we reside!

#### SAVE THE DATE!

The 2017 Annual Meeting will be held on MARCH 12.

### Trail Work

The Greenway is grateful for all the volunteers who help maintain and improve our trails. Pictured here are the crews from SCA Americorps, Kearsarge High School and SPNHF.



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