



Good Fall colors this month

TREKABOUT WALKING CLUB –November 2013

Tuesday walks 8:00am – 9:00am ● Thursday walks 8:00am – 10:00am

Walks are graded on a scale of 1-4 (with 4 being the most difficult)

HIKING BOOTS REQUIRED ● CARRY WATER ● DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH

Holiday Potluck December 10th, more details to follow in the December trekabout schedule.

Tuesday, November 5

“Watson Woods South” – Trail heads into Watson Wood Preserve and takes in new single track trails.

Level: 1.5

Directions: From Highway 89, then turn east on Rosser Road. There is a dirt parking lot immediately on the east side of the highway. Group will meet there.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Thursday, November 7Hiking Spree**

“Mint Wash”- This pretty trail stays close to mint wash with Pine and Riparian trees along the way. There are ups and downs in places, fairly steep north of the lake. Total out and back 6.4 miles. Hike may take over two hours.

Level: 3

Directions: Take Iron Springs Road West and turn right at the Granite Basin Lake Road FR 374. Park at Wekuvde Day Use Area (before lake). Fee Area. To carpool, meet at intersection of Iron Springs and Granite Basin Road.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Leslie

Tuesday, November 12

“Thumb Butte Trail 33” – Steep grades on gravel, dirt and paved trail.

Level: 3

Directions: Go west on Gurley Street (turns into Thumb Butte Road) until you enter Thumb Butte Park. Parking on the right. Fee Area. To carpool, park at the bowling alley, and meet at least 15 minutes prior to the hike.

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Candi

Thursday, November 14

“Watson Loop Trail” – Trail goes from ramada in Watson Lake Park to Discovery Trail, then the Peavine, followed by the Lakeshore Trail, continues on to the Over-The-Hill trail and back to Watson Lake park. This is an arduous 4.7 mile hike with several turn-around options. This trail is not for the faint of heart and only the truly adventurous will finish the 4.7-mile loop! This is a 3+ hour hike.

Level: 4

Directions: Watson Lake Park is 4 miles out Highway 89 toward Chino Valley at the intersection of Hwy 89 and Willow Lake Road. Go into the park to the large ramada at the top of the hill.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Tuesday, November 19

“Greenways” – Two mile out and back trail along Granite Creek to Mile High Middle School, with lots of foliage and deciduous trees. Group will meet for coffee after hike.

Level: 1

Directions: Park in the Albertson’s Shopping Center near Staples. Path to park is located on sidewalk next to Staples. Meet at the large ramada at Granite Creek park.

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Candi

Thursday, November 21Hiking Spree**

“Almost a Trail” – This trail winds down through whispering canyon to the riparian corridor of mint wash. This trail is most known by hikers but is popular with some equestrians. None of this trail is on public land but is open to the public. Hike is 4.5 miles.

Level: 2.5

Directions: Drive northwest out of Prescott on Williamson Valley Road 12.5 miles from Iron Springs Road. Turn left at the entrance to the road that says the reserve, drive .8 miles down Almost a Ranch Road to power lines and hydrant where you turn left. Trail head parking is on the dirt area on your right. Meet at ED Bakers house for coffee- details provided at the hike.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Tuesday, November 26

“Butte Creek” – Trail winds by the side of the new Hassayampa golf course and development area. Rolling trail offers nice views of golf course. Will be an out and back hike; fairly steep.

Level: 3

Directions: Go west on Gurley Street to Sherwood Drive, one block past the entrance to Hassayampa Village. Turn left on Sherwood and follow it until you see Stricklin Park on your left. Park along road and walk across the creek to the trailhead.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Leslie

Thursday, November 28

No hike today- Thanksgiving.

If weather is questionable please call the YMCA 445-7221