



TREKABOUT WALKING CLUB –October 2012 **New Start Time
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**

Tuesday, October 2 **HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“Stretch Pebble Trail #443 and #442 – Lovely hike through Pines, near the Highlands Center. Taking in Lynx Creek..

Level: 2.5

Directions: Turn on Walker Road towards Lynx Lake and drive 1.8 miles to the Highlands Center entrance on the left (east). Park and hike past the Center down to the trail head.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Jacque/ Leslie/ Paul

Thursday, October 4

“Watershed #299” – A steep dirt trail with beautiful views and pines. All levels can hike it if they pace themselves. We will go out and back.

Level: 4

Directions: Turn south on Senator Highway and go approximately ½ mile past Goldwater Lake. Turn left across highway and park. Trailhead on north end.

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Leader: Jacque/ Leslie/ Paul

Tuesday, October 9 **HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“Turley Trail” – Beautiful dirt trail with rolling hills and steep grades in places. Panoramic views of Prescott.

Level: 3.5

Directions: Take Gurley Street, going south and turn right on Robinson. Go approximately .15 of a mile and turn left on Butterfield Road. Go approximately .4 mile and veer right onto Wells Fargo Road. Go approximately .2 mile and turn right at the Turley Trail sign (between 1507 and 1509 Wells Fargo Rd.). Go down the very narrow lane, through the gate (close gate again), and park. There is very little parking on Wells Fargo Road.

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Thursday, October 11 **HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“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 via the proposed new trail on the west side of Watson Lake. This is an arduous seven mile hike with several turn-around options. This trail is not for the faint of heart and only the truly adventurous will finish the 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: YMCA

Leader: Kacey

Tuesday, October 16 **HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“Horse Camp #383” – Pretty Views. Dirt trail through timber below horse camp. Out and back, or we will do a loop.

Level: 2.5 - 3

Directions: Turn south on Senator Highway and go approximately 6.5 miles to Groom Creek Horse Camp. Park at the #307 trailhead on the left. This is no longer a fee area.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Thursday, October 18 **HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“Goldwater Lakes Loop”- 3.7 mile hike that is breathtakingly beautiful, and offers views of upper and lower Goldwater Lakes as well as natural shade provided by pine trees.

Level: 2.5

Directions: From Gurley Street, take South Mt. Vernon (turns into Senator Highway) about 3 miles toward Groom Creek. Sign for lake and parking area is on the right. Fee will be waived.

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Kacey

Tuesday, October 23* NEW TRAIL*** ****HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“Sierra Prieta Trail #366” – The out and back hike includes panoramic views of Copper Basin and Skull Valley. Easy hike (2 miles long out and back)

Level: 2

Directions: Drive up Copper Basin Rd. 5.9 miles from White Spar/Hwy 89, all the way to the top of the rise. On the way, the road changes to dirt at 3.1 mile. At the top of the rise go right (NW) on Fire Road 373 for 1 mile to Sierra Prieta overlook. Park here and enjoy the views. Carpooling from Safeway on White Spar is also an option.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Thursday, October 25 **HIKING SPREE TRAIL******

“Granite Mountain Trail #261” – Three hour out-and-back, ascends Granite Mountain. beautiful views.

Level: 4

Directions: Take Iron Springs Road West, turn right at Granite Basin Road. Follow road all the way to Metate trailhead (go right where road turns into one way, go past the lake and day areas to “Metate” sign). Park on the left in lot across from #261 sign. Fee Area. To carpool meet at intersection of Iron Springs and Granite Basin Road.

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Kacey

Tuesday, October 30 (FALL COLORS)

“Watson Dam and Flume Trails”-New trails that loop together joining at the base of the beautiful Watson Dam riparian area. Trails rocky and steep in places. With possibility of exploring an out and back on the Over the Hill Trail.

Level: 3 - 4 and 2 - 3.5 miles.

Directions: limited parking at Trailhead and roadway on Granite Dells road just east of Hwy 89.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

If weather is questionable please call the YMCA 445-7221