



TREKABOUT WALKING CLUB –April 2009

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

Thursday, April 2

“Senator Highway Loop” – Dirt trail leading down from Senator Highway to School House, then back up again on the north side of upper and lower Goldwater Lakes.

Level: 3

Directions: Take S. Mt. Vernon (turns into Senator Highway) just under 4 miles, heading towards Goldwater Lake. Before you reach the Lake entrance, pull over on the right side into a dirt parking area. Right next to the parking area is a brown sign that says, “Goldwater Lake next right”.

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Fran

Tuesday, April 7

“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.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Recreation

Leader: Mike/Norma

Thursday, April 9

“School House Gulch” – This old jeep trail meanders through Ponderosa Pine forest. Out and back.

Level: 3

Directions: Go out White Spar Road about 2 miles past Safeway. Turn left into White Spar campground and immediately park on the right.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Recreation

Leader: Mike/Norma

Tuesday, April 14

“Mint Wash from the Boat Ramp” – Trail descends Mint Wash from the dam at Granite Basin Lake. Some short, steep rocky sections and multiple creek crossing on rocks. Out and back.

Level: 3.5

Directions: Take Iron Springs Road West and turn right at the Granite Basin Lake Road. Follow directions to lake; turn right at the “Boat Ramp” sign and park in front of the lake. Fee Area. To carpool, meet at the intersection of Iron Springs and Granite basin road turnoff.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Leslie/Jacque

Thursday, April 16

“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: YCCHS

Leader: Leslie/Jacque

Tuesday, April 21

“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.

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Leader: Mike/Norma

Thursday, April 23

“Aspen Creek” – This scenic trail offers wonderful views of the western slope of the Bradshaw Mountains, Peoples Valley and northward to Bill Williams Mountain. From Copper Basin, the trail follows a jeep road uphill for ½ mile and then contours around the east flank of Mt. Francis, through shady pines and oak.

Level: 4

Directions: Take South Montezuma to Copper Basin road. Turn right on Copper Basin and continue for 4.8 miles. A road sign on the right indicates the trailhead marker on the left. Park on the right or left side of the road. Give yourself about 20 minutes from town to reach trailhead. To carpool, meet at the Whitespar Safeway.

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Leader: Fran

Tuesday, April 28

“Peavine Trail (Watson Woods)” – Flat, gravel surface that follows the old Santa Fe railroad line.

Level: 1

Directions: From Highway 89, turn east on Prescott Parkway, then north on Sundog Ranch Road. Turn left into a marked parking area just before the transfer station.

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Leader: Mike/Norma

Thursday, April 30

“Thumb Butte Trail” – 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.

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Leader: Fran

If weather is questionable please call the YMCA 445-7221