



TREKABOUT WALKING CLUB – March 2012

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, March 1

“Salida Gulch and #95 Loop” – Mostly flat but one very steep and rocky hill. Beautiful views on top.

Level: 3.5

Directions: Turn on Walker Road towards Lynx Lake. Turn left at Lynx Ruins sign, but continue past the Lynx Creek Ruins parking lot and park at the end of the road by the gate. (Approximately 1 mile.) To carpool, meet on the east side of Petsmart parking lot.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Tuesday, March 6

“Constellation Trail System ” (New Trail)-Many loop options in the Granite Dells with great views.

Level: 3

Directions: Parking area off of Highway 89 north of the roundabout and south of Highway 89A at the Phippen Museum (4701 N State Route 89). Park in the improved lot area next to Phippen Museum.

Sponsoring Organization: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Thursday, March 8

“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: Parks and Rec

Leader: Chris

Tuesday, March 13

“Around Lynx Lake” – Nice trail around the lake that begins at the Lynx Creek Ruins parking area.

Level: 2

Directions: Turn on Walker Road towards Lynx Lake. Turn left at the Lynx Creek Ruins sign. Park in Lynx Creek Ruins parking lot (trailhead is across the road). Fee Area: To *carpool*, meet on the east side of Petsmart parking lot.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Jacque/ Leslie/ Paul

Thursday, March 15

“Circle #332” – Relatively flat, out and back. Great views of Prescott Basin

Level: 2

Directions: Drive Northwest out of Prescott on Iron Springs Rd (YC 10) to trail head at milepost 4.4. Turn left onto dirt road and cross cattle guard. Park along either side of this road. Walk across Iron Springs Rd. to access trail.

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Kacey

Tuesday, March 20

“Pioneer Park Trails” – A fairly flat loop trail, south of the softball fields, with some good size hills.

Level: 2.5

Directions: Turn left onto Commerce Drive from Willow Creek Road next to Tim’s dealership. Park by the “mountain lion” on the left just before the ball fields.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Jacque/ Leslie/ Paul

Thursday, March 22

“Smith Ravine” – Steep trail in the pines. Out and back.

Level: 4

Directions: Turn south on Walker Road by Costco. Go south five miles. Park in small pullout on the right. Limited parking is available at the trailhead. To carpool, meet on east side of Petsmart (by PriceCostco).

Sponsoring Organization: YMCA

Leader: Kacey

Tuesday, March 27

“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.

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Jacque/ Leslie/ Paul

Thursday, March 29

“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: Jacque/ Leslie/ Paul

If weather is questionable please call the YMCA 445-7221