



TREKABOUT HIKING CLUB –April 2022

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

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

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

To join The Trekabout Hiking Club Club you should type <https://prescottrecdesk.com> into an internet browser, Create your user account (one time), choose Trekabout (under Membership tab), click enroll and fill out your annual health form, submit payment and done!

The annual fee for Trekabout is \$18.

Tuesday, April 5

“Willow Lake Loops including Apex Trail”- Up and down trails in the Willow Dells area taking in Canyon Loop, Basin loop and possibly Apex Trail.

Level: 3.5

Directions: Take Willow Creek Road to Heritage Park Road (across from ERAU). Once on Heritage Park Road take the first right turn and proceed to the payment kiosk. After the kiosk, follow signs to the boat dock. **C.O.P Fee Area** (1 hour)

Sponsoring Organization: COP

Leader: Chris

Thursday, April 7

“Clark Springs Trail #40” - The trail is 1.7 long and is an out and back hike. The lower sections is chaparral, the upper section is shaded old growth forest, tremendous boulders, amazing timbers visible from the switchbacks. Clark spring is at the top of the trail. Total miles approximately 4 miles. The trail is a pretty steep, and in places, rocky trail.

Level: 4

Directions: Take Iron Springs Road West and turn right onto Granite Basin Road to Granite Basin Lake. Stay left for 4 miles, passing the campground. Follow one-way circular road to Metate Trailhead. **USFS FEE AREA**. To carpool, meet at intersection of Iron Springs and Granite Basin Lake Road. (2 hours)

Sponsoring Organization: ALL

Leader: Mike

Tuesday, April 12

“Community Nature Center”- This is a very easy trail! Lovely hike around the community nature center, with good views of Granite Mountain and downtown Prescott. Interpretive signs for plant identification.

Level: 1

Directions: Take Iron Springs Road to Williamson Valley Rd, go past the school track and take an immediate right, drive up into parking area and community nature center is on the left-hand side. (1 hour)

Sponsoring Organization: COP

Leader: Ranger Ellen

Thursday, April 14

“Storm Ranch Trail System” – A beautiful system of trails in the Dells accessed from the Peavine Trail. Trails include Easter Island, Big Piney, Big Rock Canyon, Bedrock City, Pebbles, Bam Bam and many more. The exact route hiked will be determined by the hike leader the day of the hike. These hikes may exceed (2 hours)

Level: 2.5 - 3

Directions: From Highway 89, turn east on Prescott Lakes Parkway, then north on Sundog Ranch Road. Turn left into a marked parking area just before the transfer station. **C.O.P Fee Area** (2 hours)

Sponsoring Organization: COP

Leader: Chris

Tuesday, April 19

“Thumb Butte South trails 33, 314, and 326” – Loop hike in the shady pines. This hike begins at the Thumb Butte Parking Area climbing trail 33 to the junction with trail 314. We will then follow trail 314

to trail 326 and descend back to the parking area. The trail is moderately steep on trail 33 to trail 314. From trail 314 to 326 is relatively flat and then trail 326 is all downhill.

Level: 3.5

Directions: Go west on Gurley Street (turns into Thumb Butte Road) until you enter Thumb Butte Park. Parking on the right. **USES FEE AREA**. To carpool, meet at the bowling alley. (2 hours)

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Sharmel

Thursday, April 21

“Firewater” — Trail starts on #318 and replaces a former social trail (accessed at the SE corner of parking area). Firewater, #325, is an interesting trail that climbs up through the pines from Willow Creek but starts out on the Prescott Circle Trail by the Chimney Ruin. Directions: From the Courthouse Plaza, drive west out of Prescott on Gurley Street for 5.0 miles to the White Rock parking area on the right immediately past the Camp Willow Springs Rd. (2 hours)

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Sharmel

Tuesday, April 26

“Around Lynx Lake- trail 311” –Beautiful trail that surrounds magnificent Lynx Lake. Fairly flat with some steep areas.

Level: 2

Directions: Turn by Costco on Walker Road (see sign for Lynx Lake). Follow signs to lake south shore and boat ramp area (past the campground). Park near the bathrooms. **USES FEE AREA**. To carpool, meet at PetSmart next to Costco. (1 or 2 hour)

Sponsoring Organization: COP

Leader: Michelle

Thursday, April 28

“Big Juniper Tree Trail” - Jeep trail, rolling terrain, views of Granite Mountain west side, and at the end... the big juniper tree! Might be a little longer than two hours.

Level: 2.5-3 (One Steep Hill)

Directions: Drive west on Iron Springs 5.2 miles past the Granite Basin turn-off. Turn right on Contreras Ranch Road. Go .8 miles and park under the power lines on the right. (2 hours)

Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS

Leader: Sharmel

If weather is questionable please call Recreation Services at 928-777-1122

If you have not already done so, please go to <https://prescottaz.recdesk.com/Community/Home> and click on “MEMBERSHIPS” to register for Trekabout Hiking Club. If you are renewing for the year, please login and register. If you are new, please create an account and then register.