

Key to hiking/backpacking trip ratings (indicated by a code in the trip title):

- The first letters indicate mileage: AA: 13 miles + B: 5-9 miles A: 9-13 miles C: under 5 miles
- Number = L's pace across "average" terrain: 1: very fast (2.5 mph+) 3: moderate (1.5-2 mph), 2: fast (2-2.5 mph) 4: leisurely (0 to 1.5 mph)
- Last letters indicate terrain: A: very strenuous C: average B: strenuous D: easy (Two letters at end indicate a terrain level between values.)
- Actual trip pace may differ from pace number if trip terrain is not "average." Terrain ratings may not match Connecticut or Southeast Massachusetts values.

Backpacking

[101363](#)

Sat, November 25 - Sun, November 26 Family Thanksgiving Lonesome Lake Hut Overnight, Franconia, NH (*Backpacking, Hiking*) Enjoy turkey w/cranberry sauce and pecan pie with a small group of families at AMC Lonesome Lake Hut the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This is a great trip for families with some experience hiking! We will hike 1.6 miles, (~1,000' elevation gain) to the hut at a kid friendly pace. We carry our sleeping bags, lunches and snacks, water and mountain gear. The group carries in supplies for dinner and breakfast and prepares it together in the hut kitchen. We have free time at the hut to explore, enjoy the breathtaking views of Franconia Ridge across the pristine glacial lake, and relax. The main dining room has a fire going in the evening. The bunk rooms are unheated and co-ed in order that we can keep families together, Sunday is an optional hike 0.8 miles around the lake before returning to our cars. This trip is best for ages 5+. Participants help carry group gear and prepare group meals. Price \$70/person (\$80 for non-members) includes lodging, dinner and breakfast. You are responsible for your lunch both days and trail snacks. Register w/Laurene Poland: ljpgoland@msn.com, 508-728-1373., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Jeanne Blauner \(jablauner@comcast.net\)](mailto:jeanne_blauner@comcast.net) 978-202-5606, Moderate w/late fall conditionsCL: [Laurene Poland \(ljpgoland@msn.com\)](mailto:Laurene Poland (ljpgoland@msn.com)) 508-728-1373, [Anathea Waitekus \(anatheawaitekus@comcast.net\)](mailto:Anathea Waitekus (anatheawaitekus@comcast.net)) 617-429-0842 R: [Laurene Poland \(ljpgoland@msn.com\)](mailto:Laurene Poland (ljpgoland@msn.com)) 508-728-1373 [AMC Boston Family Outings](#)

[100932](#)

Tue, December 26 - Wed, December 27 Hale and Zealand with Winter Overnight at Zealand Hut (*Backpacking, Hiking*) Join us to celebrate the end of 2017 with an overnight stay in Zealand Hut and the goal of summiting two 4000'ers: Mts. Zealand and Hale. We'll hike in via the Zealand Road (closed in winter) and drop our sleeping gear at Zealand Hut before continuing on to the wooded summit of Zealand Mountain (4260'). We'll return to the hut for a cozy evening and dinner. The next morning, we'll carry all our gear and exit over Mt. Hale to return to our cars. Day 1 is approximately 11 miles and 3000' elevation gain, while day 2 is 7.5 miles, 1600'. The route is subject to change based upon weather and conditions. The hut is staffed by a caretaker during self-service season and, while the main room of the hut will be heated in the evening, the adjacent sleeping rooms are unheated. This trip is suitable for experienced winter hikers who have been on hikes of comparable length this fall. If you are an experienced winter day hiker wanting to test out an overnight before committing to winter camping, this is a great opportunity to do so. The hut kitchen is well stocked with cooking equipment and water., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Elizabeth White , A3B, Keith Watling , Peter Monnes [Register here](#)

Bicycling

[100929](#)

Tue, December 5 - Tue, December 5 Bike Committee Meeting (*Bicycling*) Bicycle committee meeting hosting in Bedford MA. If you are interested in joining us for our first fall meeting please contact Karen for details, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Karen Hall \(bikeamc812@gmail.com\)](mailto:Karen Hall (bikeamc812@gmail.com)) 781-271-0654

Camping

[101548](#)

Sun, December 31 - Mon, January 1 NYE Hike (NH4K) + Hut Stay (*Camping, Hiking*) Why settle for the old NYE routine in the city when you can do something spectacular that few people have done...Ring in the new year from one of NH's 48 4K's. Join us on this rare member only trip and celebrate the new year in true hiking style. The best part is that you don't have to wake up at the crack of dawn to hike. This is one occasion where you actually sleep in the day OF the hike. Although a fun hike and we will take our time hiking, this is a serious winter hike in winter conditions and at night. We'll be hiking ~12 miles with ~5000' of elevation gain. Proper preparation and winter experience is a must. You must be in good physical condition and have plenty of experience in winter hiking with all the appropriate gear (see gear list). While the common areas of the Hut are somewhat heated by a wood stove, it will be cold in the bunk rooms. Your sleeping bag should be rated to at least 0 degrees. Participants are responsible for their own food. Basic cooking supplies (including a stove, pans, and cooking utensils) are available at the hut. Bring your own mess kit for eating., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Casey Ajalat , A4B, Leah Salloway [Register HERE](#)

Critical Treasure

[101139](#)

Sat, December 9 - Sat, December 9 Family Crow Hills Hike, The Story of Mary Rowlandson & Redemption Rock, Princeton, MA (*Critical Treasure, Cultural, Hiking, Walks*) Join us for a 4.1 mile late fall Crow Hills Hike and learn the story of Mary Rowlandson and Redemption Rock. Who was Mary Rowlandson and who were her captors?

What was the setting and when did this event take place? We'll meet at the Redemption Rock trailhead at 9 am and learn the answers to these questions as we hike the Midstate Trail over rolling terrain with a snack break by a pond in Leominster State Forest. Sturdy shoes are a must as there is a short section of rock scrambling. Suitable for children seven and up. Wear warm comfortable clothes and dress in layers for the weather. Bring at least one quart of water and lunch/snacks. Group size limited to 15. Registrar: Pam Faustine, pfaustine@princeton-ma.us, 978-505-7031., Massachusetts, Central, L: [Jeanne Blauner \(jablauner@comcast.net\)](mailto:Jeanne.Blauner@comcast.net) 978-202-5606, Moderate, [Joan Entwistle \(joan.entwistle@gmail.com\)](mailto:Joan.Entwistle@gmail.com) CL: [Pam Faustine \(pfaustine@princeton-ma.us\)](mailto:Pam.Faustine@princeton-ma.us) 978-505-7031, Ingrid Molnar R: [Pam Faustine \(pfaustine@princeton-ma.us\)](mailto:Pam.Faustine@princeton-ma.us) 978-505-7031 [Redemption Rock](#)

First Aid

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Sat, December 2 - Sun, December 3 Wilderness First Aid Training and/or Recertification, Concord, MA (*First Aid*) Wilderness First Aid (WFA) training helps you prepare for the unexpected. This fast-paced, hands-on training is designed to meet the needs of trip leaders, camp staff, outdoor enthusiasts and individuals working in remote locations. It introduces you to caring for people who become ill or injured far from definitive medical care. Classroom lectures and demonstrations are combined with realistic scenarios where mock patients challenge you to integrate your learning. At the end of the course, you have the knowledge, skills and ability to make sound decisions in emergency situations. Please register by clicking the registration button above or at this link: <http://regi.amcboston.org/1628>. Questions contact Paul Terenzi, 781-389- 8115 before 10 pm, firemanpaul@comcast.net, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Paul Terenzi \(firemanpaul@comcast.net\)](mailto:Paul.Terenzi@comcast.net) 781-389-8115 (before 10 pm) , Easy to Moderate [Course Registration Link](#)

[100586](#)

Sat, December 2 - Sun, December 3 Advanced Wilderness First Aid Training and/or Recertification, Concord, MA (*First Aid*) Advanced Wilderness First Aid (WFA) training helps you prepare for the unexpected. This fast-paced, hands-on training is designed to meet the needs of trip leaders, camp staff, outdoor enthusiasts and individuals working in remote locations. It introduces you to caring for people who become ill or injured far from definitive medical care. Classroom lectures and demonstrations are combined with realistic scenarios where mock patients will challenge you to integrate your learning. At the end of the course, you have the knowledge, skills and ability to make sound decisions in emergency situations. To register copy and paste this link in your browser <https://regi.amcboston.org/1691> or click on the registration button above. Questions? Contact Paul Terenzi, 781-389-8115 before 10 pm OR [firemanpaul@comcast.net.](mailto:firemanpaul@comcast.net), Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Paul Terenzi \(firemanpaul@comcast.net\)](mailto:Paul.Terenzi@comcast.net) 781-389-8115 (before 10 pm) , Easy to Moderate [Advanced WFA Registration Link](#)

Hiking

[100691](#)

Sat, November 18 Belknap Mt. Range: Whiteface and Piper Mountains (*Hiking*) November is here and the higher summit trails are frosty, so an excellent time to try something different. Whiteface and Piper mountains in the Belknap Range offers some great hiking to summits with great views. We will first summit Whiteface (1670 ft) with great views north and west from the open ledges. After retracing our steps, we will head up the ledgy Piper-Link trail to the southeast ledges of Piper mountain with more wonderful views and lunch. Then it is over to North Piper Mountain (2030 ft) and down to the Belknap Carriage Road. This will earn you 2 mountains toward a Belknap Range Hiker patch from the Belknap County Sportsman Association. Total mileage: 6.4 miles Total elevation gain: 1300 ft. Beginner hikers with some experience are welcome. Please note that this hike involves hiking up and down ledges. L. Ellen Stanley, New Hampshire, Lakes Region, L: [Ellen Stanley \(ellstan@comcast.net\)](mailto:Ellen.Stanley@comcast.net) R: [Ellen Stanley \(ellstan@comcast.net\)](mailto:Ellen.Stanley@comcast.net)

[101158](#)

Sat, November 18 Mount Tremont- 52 With a View (*Hiking*) A moderate hike to the Mt. Tremont (3,371'). We will follow the Mt. Tremont trail which begins on the south side of US 302 and climbs steeply at times, to the summit where you have fine views including the Sawyer Pond down below. This is a 5.6 miles round-trip with 2,550' in elevation gain. You need to have 2 recent AMC hikes in NH prior to this one. Register at REGI link <https://regi.amcboston.org/1704>., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Zeynep Ozyuksel \(zeynep@ozyuksel.net\)](mailto:Zeynep.Ozyuksel@comcast.net) , B3B, [Robert Freed \(w-r-freed@comcast.net\)](mailto:Robert.Freed@comcast.net) 617-460-5213 (Before 10 pm) CL: [Chao Xie \(chaoranxie@gmail.com\)](mailto:Chao.Xie@gmail.com) 617-237-0880

[101464](#)

Sat, November 18 - Sat, November 18 Blue Hills Double Cross- Fall Foliage Edition (*Hiking*) Where else can you hike 14 miles through beautiful woods trails with views, gain 3500' of elevation and be home late afternoon? Join us for an out-and-back traverse across the Blue Hills reservation using the Skyline trails. We'll start early, hike at a brisk pace and return to our cars by mid-to-late-afternoon. Hiking boots, backpack, at LEAST 2 liters of water, lunch and snacks. Be sure to pack layers, rain gear, extra socks and no cotton items. Consider a hat and gloves and warm jacket for when we break for lunch., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Pam Wilmot , AA2CCL: Eric Robbie , Sarah Abdelmessih <https://regi.amcboston.org/1715>

[100228](#)

Sat, November 18 - Sat, November 18 Glacial Features Walks, Sudbury (*Hiking, Instruction (Skills), Walks*) 9:30am-11:30am. Join glaciologist/geophysicist Bruce Porter for a walk through Gray Reservation/Haynes Meadow Reservation/Water District protection zone to explore the many features formed by the glacier that blanketed New England 10,000 yrs. ago. Kettles pit the plane and kame terraces rise abruptly to create beautiful vistas of the wetlands below. Be able to identify eskers, erratics, kames, and more on your next hike. Flat with one steep 50 foot section. Bring water. AMC non-member: \$1. Severe weather cancels. Questions: Contact Lisa. Meet at the Curtis Middle School, (-71.43282, 42.381020) 22 Pratts Mill Road, Sudbury. Registration required. Limit 14 participants. Contact Lisa to register., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Lisa Fleischman 617-244-5747 (before 9pm) CL: Bruce Porter R: Lisa Fleischman 617-244-5747 (before 9pm)

[101603](#)

Sat, November 18 - Sat, November 18 Parks & Greenways, Quincy (*Hiking, Walks*) 7-mile walk w/beach, woods, salt marshes, historic sites, 10:00am-2:30pm. Bring lunch & water. Take Quincy Shore Drive to Wollaston Yacht Club pier at Beach St. Or T to Wollaston, walk 1 mile. Email if severe weather. No dogs; non-AMC members \$1.,

Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Mike Tuohey \(breadcrumbs60@gmail.com\)](mailto:Mike.Tuohey@breadcrumbs60@gmail.com)

[101129](#)

Sun, November 19 Mount Willard- 52 with a View (Hiking) A moderate hike to the beautiful Mt. Willard (2,864?) with amazing views of Crawford Notch. This is a 3.2 mile out and back with about 1,000' in elevation gain. There is a stream crossing about 0.4 miles from the trailhead and the rest of the climb is very gentle and steady. You should have 2 hikes in NH prior to this one. (AMC hike preferred), New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Casey Ajalat , C3C, Zeynep Ozyuksel CL: [Chao Xie \(chaoranxie@gmail.com\)](mailto:Chao.Xie@chaoranxie@gmail.com) 617-237-0880 [Register HERE](#)

[101607](#)

Sun, November 19 Blue Hills Shoulder Season Loop Hike (Hiking) Come join AMC YM on a loop hike in the Blue Hills Reservation. We will meet at the Houghton Pond parking lot at 10:45 am. We'll hike at a moderate pace on a challenging loop, including a section of the Skyline trail with great views of Boston. After a 4-5 mile hike, we'll go out for food or beverages., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Zoe Karp CL: Deb Conrady [Register](#)

[100558](#)

Sun, November 19 - Sun, November 19 One-Day Leader Training Program, Mattapan, MA (Hiking, Leadership Training, Walks) This one-day program is for AMC members interested in organizing and leading Boston Chapter trips and activities with the Family Outings, Forty Plus, INTRO, Local Walks, Mtns & Music, Ski, and Young Members committees. Participation prepares you to co-lead non-backcountry trips and activities. (To co-lead backcountry trips or trips with other activity committees, see the longer leadership training program that involves two weeknights and a weekend). This program consists of lectures, small group exercises and role-plays, with a mix of classroom and outdoor exercises, and topics include leadership styles, trip planning, trip management and safety. The program emphasizes experiential learning and decision making skills. Open to all AMC members with preference given to active AMC trip participants. Reasonably mature well behaved children able to occupy themselves with books and games may attend with a parent (s). Children will be a welcome addition to our role play scenarios. The program is held in Mattapan, MA Saturday, November 19th 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The fee is \$15 which is reimbursed once you have completed the course and assisted two trips or activities. Program location and further details will be communicated with confirmation of registration. To secure your spot, please register at the link above or at <https://regi.amcboston.org/1681>. For questions please contact Jeanne Blauner, jablauner@comcast.net, 978-202-5606., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Stephen Conlin , easy [AMC Boston Family Outings](#)

[100768](#)

Sun, November 19 - Sun, November 19 Family Cook Conservation Area Guided Hike, Lancaster, MA (Hiking, Walks) Join Lancaster Recreation Chair Johnna Doyle Sunday November 19th at 10 am for a guided tour of Cook Conservation area. Discover our local history through stories of days gone by. Imagine 1642. The Nashaway Algonquin Indians invite you to settle here along the Nashua Options for a shorter hike (~ 1 hour) or longer relatively easy 5.5 mile hike much of which is along the Nashua River (~ 3 hours). We will stop for pictures and to enjoy the scenery. Bring water and snacks and/or lunch. Register with Liz Little, 267-240-2849, lizklittle@gmail.com., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Jeanne Blauner \(jablauner@comcast.net\)](mailto:Jeanne.Blauner@comcast.net) 978-202-5606, easy to moderate (your choice of distance), [Liz Little \(lizklittle@gmail.com\)](mailto:Liz.Little@lizklittle@gmail.com) 267-240-2849 CL: Johnna Doyle R: [Liz Little \(lizklittle@gmail.com\)](mailto:Liz.Little@lizklittle@gmail.com) 267-240-2849 [AMC Boston Family Outings](#)

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Sun, November 19 - Sun, November 19 Middlesex Fells, Malden (Hiking, Walks) Hike to cliff-top, waterfall and pond views, from 10am-2:30pm. Bring lunch and water. Meet on Washington Street side of Oak Grove T station. I-93 Exit 32, Medford, head east on Route 60 for 1.2 miles, then turn left on Highland Avenue and follow for 0.5 miles. Turn right on Glenwood Street and go 0.6 miles, then turn left on Washington Street and go 0.1 miles, then turn right into T station lot, or park on street. Call L if severe weather. No dogs, non-AMC members, \$1., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Robert Winters \(Robert@rwinters.com\)](mailto:Robert@rwinters.com) CL: [Mike Stadelmaier \(hikeyinfo@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Mike.Stadelmaier@hikeyinfo@yahoo.com) 770-377-8896

[101521](#)

Thu, November 23 Thanksgiving Holiday Hike to Lynn Woods (Hiking, Walks) 5 miles, Leader's Choice. 9:00am-1:00pm. Bring lunch, H2O, and snacks. Dress for the elements. I-95/Route 128 to Walnut Street exit, 4 miles. From Route 1, Walnut Street exit, 2 miles. Turn left on Pennybrook Road to Western Gate parking lot. No dogs, non-AMC members \$1. Cancel if rain., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Nelson Caraballo 617-548-8579 (11am -2pm), Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Nelson Caraballo 617-548-8579 (11am - 2 pm)

[96327](#)

Thu, November 23 - Thu, November 23 Holiday Hike - Lynn Woods, Lynn (Hiking, Walks) 5 miles, Leader's Choice. 9:00am-1:00pm. Bring lunch, H2O, and snacks. Dress for the elements. I-95/Route 128 to Walnut Street exit, 4 miles. From Route 1, Walnut Street exit, 2 miles. Turn left on Pennybrook Road to Western Gate parking lot. No dogs; non-AMC members \$1. Cancel if rain., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Nelson Caraballo 617-548-8579 (11am -2pm)

[97760](#)

Fri, November 24 - Sun, November 26 Family Thanksgiving Weekend Shapleigh Bunkhouse, Crawford Notch, NH (Hiking) Join other families for a weekend in beautiful Crawford Notch, NH! AMC Boston Family Outings has reserved the Shapleigh Bunkhouse (next to the Highland Center) for Friday and Saturday nights after Thanksgiving. Great hiking, socializing, and fun with the family. Late fall hiking is awesome with views unobstructed by leaves, cool temperatures, and no bugs! Hikes will be designed to fit the ages and interests of the kids including a hike up Mt. Willard (3.2 miles RT) with gorgeous views down into Crawford Notcha classic "big bang for your buck" hike. We will stay at the 16-bed Shapleigh Bunkhouse which is coed, heated, and includes bathrooms/showers, linens, and a common area. Friday night dinner will be prepared by the group while Saturday night we will dine next door at the Highland Center, enjoying hearty, home-cooked meals. Saturday and Sunday breakfasts will also be buffet style next door at the Highland Center. Lunch fixings Saturday are included as well. Space is limited to 16; register early so you don't miss out! \$150/adult and \$100/child 12 and under includes 2 nights lodging and all meals from dinner Friday through breakfast Sunday. Contact leader/registrar with questions and to register: David Beck, davidbeckrph@comcast.net, (508) 361-0508, New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [David Beck \(davidbeckrph@comcast.net\)](mailto:David.Beck@davidbeckrph.comcast.net) 508-361-0508, Easy to Moderate, [Brian Witkov \(user369128@aol.com\)](mailto:Brian.Witkov@user369128@aol.com) 978-807-4901, [Joan Entwistle \(joan.entwistle@gmail.com\)](mailto:Joan.Entwistle@joan.entwistle@gmail.com) 978-549-4864 R: David Beck 508-361-0508 [Shapleigh Bunkhouse at AMC Highland Center](#)

[101446](#)

Fri, November 24 Annual post-Thanksgiving Day Blue Hills Skyline Hike (Hiking) Walk off the Thanksgiving feast by joining us on an invigorating hike along the Skyline blue and red trails in a less popular area of the reservation.

Approximately 6 miles. The hike is suitable for those who like to go for long walks. There is some elevation gain and rocky terrain. Bring water, snacks, and lunch. Pack your microspikes, just in case. Rain cancels. start time is 9:30 am., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Maria Costantini \(mgccare@comcast.net\)](mailto:mgccare@comcast.net) , low intermediate CL: kathy Blythe
[101508](#)

Fri, November 24 Mounts Waumbek and Starr King (Hiking) Join us for a "Black Friday" hike to Mts Starr King (3915', on the 52 With A View list) and Waumbek (4006', one of the northernmost NH 4000 footers) via the Starr King trail. Capitalizing on the opportunity to burn off excess turkey, gravy, stuffing, cranberry, mashed potatoes and pumpkin pie from the prior day, we will hike 7.2 miles round trip at a moderate pace, with 2900' of elevation gain on one of the mellowest mountain trails in the Whites. Winter conditions are likely - traction required., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Alex Nedzel , B3BCL: David Pais

[100299](#)

Fri, November 24 - Fri, November 24 Annual Ayer & Groton Hills Walk (Hiking, Walks) 10:00am-3:00pm. Get far away from shopping malls on Black Friday and join the longest continually running hike in the AMC. We'll explore the natural areas between the Nashua River and the Snake Hills. Exact route determined on the fly. Some bushwhacking possible. Around 7 mi., 5 hours. Bring warm clothes and lunch. Meet at NW corner of the parking lot behind Nashoba Hospital on Groton Road in Ayer, 42.57878N 71.57399W, Massachusetts, Central, L: Olin Lathrop

[98206](#)

Sat, November 25 - Sun, November 26 Family Thanksgiving Cardigan High Cabin Overnight, Alexandria, NH (Hiking) Enjoy turkey w/cranberry sauce and pecan pie with a small group of AMC Boston Families for this Thanksgiving Weekend overnight at Cardigan High Cabin, a two mile hike (1450' elevation gain) from Cardigan Lodge and under half mile from the summit of Mt. Cardigan (3155'). High Cabin was built in 1931 and renovated in 2004 with new bunk beds, roof, woodstove and Clivus composting toilet. Trip best for kids 6 years and older. Cost of \$50 for adults and \$40 for kids includes dinner and breakfast. Register w/Denise Boucher-denisegirish@yahoo.com, 978-470-0243., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Denise Boucher \(denisegirish@yahoo.com\)](mailto:denisegirish@yahoo.com) 978-470-0243, Moderately Difficult R: [Denise Bourher \(denisegirish@yahoo.com\)](mailto:denisegirish@yahoo.com) 978-202-5606 [AMC Boston Family Outings Trips](#)

[101467](#)

Sat, November 25 Mount Moosilauke - Thanksgiving Weekend (Hiking) Come join us for a late fall hike to Mount Moosilauke, a 4,802-foot-high mountain at the southwestern end of the White Mountains in the town of Benton, New Hampshire, United States. It is the tenth highest and most southwesterly of the 4,000 foot summits in the White Mountains. , New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Steven Dennen \(stevedennen@gmail.com\)](mailto:stevedennen@gmail.com) 781-799-9623 (Anytime) , [Teresa Pagliuca \(pagliuca.t@gmail.com\)](mailto:pagliuca.t@gmail.com) R: [Steven Dennen \(stevedennen@gmail.com\)](mailto:stevedennen@gmail.com) 781-799-9623 (Before 9:00 pm)

[101602](#)

Sat, November 25 - Sat, November 25 Blue Hills, Ponkapoag Pond (Hiking, Walks) 4 mi. mod.-paced hike, 10:30am-1:30pm. Bring lunch+water. I-93/Rte. 128 exit 2A to Rte. 138S for 0.7 mi. to Ponkapoag Golf Course pkg lot on L. Storm cancels. No dogs; non-AMC \$1., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Beth Mosias 781-335-5034 (7-9pm)

[101427](#)

Sun, November 26 Mount Roberts - 52 With A View (Hiking) A moderate hike up Mount Roberts (2582') located in the Ossipee Range and on the 52WAV list. This is a 5.2 mile out and back hike with a 1500' elevation gain. The moderately graded trail has some steep ascents that will take us across open ledges providing incredible views of Lake Winnepesaukee. The summit will have a view north towards the White Mountains. Hikers should have recent NH hiking experience with AMC and be prepared for cold weather., New Hampshire, Lakes Region, L: [Zeynep Ozyuksel \(zeynep@ozyuksel.net\)](mailto:zeynep@ozyuksel.net) , B3B, [Carl Gustenhoven \(cgustenhoven@gmail.com\)](mailto:cgustenhoven@gmail.com) 587-337-8265 CL: [Cindy Crosby \(crosbycindy@aol.com\)](mailto:crosbycindy@aol.com)

[101642](#)

Sun, November 26 Pawtuckaway - Forty Plus (Hiking) Pawtuckaway, about 6 miles, easy pace. Sign ups after 11/18 with xdap@aol.com., Massachusetts, Southeast, L: [Don Provencher \(xdap@aol.com\)](mailto:xdap@aol.com) CL: Kathy Blythe , Emily McPhillips R: [Don Provencher \(xdap@aol.com\)](mailto:xdap@aol.com)

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Sat, December 2 - Sun, December 3 High Cabin - Mt Cardigan Weekend (Hiking) Join us on this intermediate hike to the rustic High Cabin close to the summit of Mt Cardigan (3155 ft). We will have High Cabin to ourselves in a beautiful wooded setting close to a stream which is our water source. With a full kitchen we will cook dinner and breakfast. A cozy wood stove is our source of heat and candles for lighting. After dropping our packs at High Cabin we will summit Mt Cardigan's Bald summit which boasts 360 views. Weather and conditions permitting, we can cross the open ridge to Mt Firescrew. As the sun is setting we will return to High Cabin for Happy Hour and prepare dinner together. Apres dinner we can walk a short distance to South Summit to view the December full moon or Cold moon. December 3 is also the moon's closest approach to earth. This makes December's Cold moon a Super Moon, looking larger than at other times of the year. Bring a pad and warm clothing as we may want to 'chill' outside for a while in this beautiful setting. Keep our fingers crossed for clear weather! Mileage to summit: About 2 miles one way with 1763 ft elevation gain. Plus additional 2 1/2 miles roundtrip to Firescrew. Sunrise viewing before breakfast. Needed: 20 degree sleeping bag. Microspikes . Warm Parka. Save space in your backpack to help carry up food and supplies. Must enjoy group camaraderie Cost: \$40. Includes lodging. Additional cost for food depending on number of participants., New Hampshire, Monadnock Region, L: [Ann Hargleroad \(ahargleroad@gmail.com\)](mailto:ahargleroad@gmail.com) , [Ellen Stanley \(ellstan@comcast.net\)](mailto:ellstan@comcast.net) CL: [Patty Watson \(pwatson@mbwit.com\)](mailto:pwatson@mbwit.com) R: [Patty Watson \(pwatson@mbwit.com\)](mailto:pwatson@mbwit.com) [Mt Cardigan trail](#)

[101266](#)

Sat, December 2 Mt. Jefferson and Possibly Adams (Hiking) Join us on this December above tree line hike to the 5,712 foot summit of Mt. Jefferson. Exact route will be decided based on conditions. We expect to hike 10 miles at a moderate pace, with 4500' of elevation gain. If conditions and group stamina permit, we will continue on to the 5,799 foot summit of Mt. Adams (an additional 2 miles and 800' elevation gain). For this hike, you must be in strong hiking shape, have winter above tree line experience and full winter gear, including full crampons and ice ax. We will hike at a moderate pace., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Joe Comuzzi , A3A. Strenuous, moderate pace, Alex Nedzel , Robert Zoletti [Boston AMC REGI http://regi.amcboston.org/1706](http://regi.amcboston.org/1706)

[101618](#)

Sat, December 2 Bay Circuit Trail Section Hike: Lincoln and Wayland (Hiking) Become a local explorer on an early winter hike across approximately 9.4 miles of the Bay Circuit Trail in Lincoln and Wayland. Never heard of the Bay Circuit Trail? It's a long-distance trail the loops around Boston from Plum Island to Duxbury, joining conservation land

and points of interest in the greater Boston area by trails and roads. This section will take us past farms, fields and wetlands along the Sudbury River and along the edge of the Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge. Participants should be prepared for rolling terrain and for cold weather, with waterproof boots, rain/wind gear, and warm winter layers, including hat and gloves. We'll plan on parking cars at both ends of the hike, so re-tracing our steps will not be necessary and we can see more of the BCT. Register at REGI link Registration URL: <http://regi.amcboston.org/1704.>, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Zeynep Ozyuksel , A3C, Jessica Halvorsen <http://regi.amcboston.org/1704>

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Sat, December 2 - Sun, December 3 Wilderness First Aid and Recertification (Hiking) The Wilderness First Aid (WFA) course will help you prepare for the unexpected. This fast-paced, hands-on training is designed to meet the needs of trip leaders, camp staff, outdoor enthusiasts and individuals working in remote locations. It will introduce you to caring for people who become ill or injured far from definitive medical care. Classroom lectures and demonstrations are combined with realistic scenarios where mock patients will challenge you to integrate your learning. At the end of the course, you'll have the knowledge, skills and ability to make sound decisions in emergency situations. This class will be held at the beautiful Thoreau Outing Club in Concord Ma 235 Forest Ridge Rd concord Ma <http://www.thoreau.com/> directions go on to the Thoreau club web page and hit the button for directions, detailed from your front door., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Paul Terenzi \(firemanpaul@comcast.net\)](mailto:Paul.Terenzi@comcast.net) 781-389-8115 (before 10 pm) , D4C [Register HERE](#)

[100514](#)

Sat, December 2 - Sun, December 3 Advanced Wilderness First Aid (AWFA) Part II and WFA Recertification (Hiking) The AWFA course goes into greater depth than the WFA on the basic first aid subjects. The course emphasizes leadership skills and presents new skills such as litter packaging and traction splinting. Students must have a current SOLO WFA certification in order to take the AWFA Part II. The Advanced Wilderness First Aid (AWFA) course will help you prepare for the unexpected. This fast-paced, hands-on training is designed to meet the needs of trip leaders, camp staff, outdoor enthusiasts and individuals working in remote locations. It will introduce you to caring for people who become ill or injured far from definitive medical care. Classroom lectures and demonstrations are combined with realistic scenarios where mock patients will challenge you to integrate your learning. At the end of the course, you'll have the knowledge, skills and ability to make sound decisions in emergency situations. This class will be held at the beautiful Thoreau Outing Club in Concord Ma 235 Forest Ridge Rd concord Ma <http://www.thoreau.com/> directions go on to the Thoreau club web page and hit the button for directions, detailed from your front door., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Paul Terenzi \(firemanpaul@comcast.net\)](mailto:Paul.Terenzi@comcast.net) 781-389-8115 (before 10 pm) , D4C [Register HERE](#)

[101418](#)

Sat, December 2 - Sat, December 2 Cutler Park Reservation, Needham (Hiking, Walks) 10am-Noon. Join us for walk in this local gem, conveniently located directly off of Route 128. As you walk the trails, you will not believe that you are so close to the highway. Highlights include Kendrick Pond, views of the Charles River, and the boardwalk crossing a marshland. Easy trails, minor ups and downs, with some roots and rocks, moderate pace. Bring water and snacks. Heavy rain or snow cancels. If there is significant snow on the ground, we will snowshoe. \$1 fee for those not AMC members. Questions? Contact Lisa., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Lisa Fleischman 617-244-5747 (before 9pm) CL: Julia Hsia [Directions: 84 Kendrick St. Needham](#)

[101135](#)

Sat, December 2 - Sat, December 2 Teen, Family Hike to Mt. Pemigewasset (Indian Head), Franconia Notch, NH (Hiking, Snowshoeing) Our Teen, Family Hike to Mt Pemigewasset (Indian Head) in Franconia Notch is targeted toward teens ages 13 - 18 and their parents, though all are welcome. Family Outings is trying to encourage more teen participation and this hike or possibly hike/snowshoe combo, weather and conditions dependent, is designed to do that. We will ascend the Mt. Pemigewasset Trail and descend the Indian Head Trail. Mt. Pemigewasset (Indian Head) has a ledgy peak with great views of surrounding areas, quite a reward for a relatively moderate hike. "A must do for anyone looking for views". From the top, granite slabs and ledges drop away nearly 1,500 feet into the floor of Franconia Notch. This peak is on the New Hampshire 52 With a View (52WAV) List. . This is a 3.7 mile hike with 1250 ft. elev. gain. We will gather at the Indian Head trailhead by 10 am to meet and greet and check gear. Family Outings has micro spikes and snowshoes to lend. We will leave some cars at the Indian Head trailhead, and drive to the Mt. Pemigewasset Trailhead to start hiking at 10:30 am. We will hike at a relatively moderate consistent pace enjoying the trail and views and company. The hike will take around 3-4 hours including time at the summit. Some previous hiking experience is recommended and appropriate boots and clothing are essential. Rick and his son Jake always stop for burritos on the way home and you are welcome to join. To register and for questions contact Rick Gershberg, rgershberg@verizon.net, 617-694-1060, New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Rick Gershberg \(rgershberg@verizon.net\)](mailto:Rick.Gershberg@verizon.net) 617-694-1060, Moderate, [Marsha Fox \(mrsha.fox@gmail.com\)](mailto:Marsha.Fox@gmail.com) 617-596-7989 R: [Rick Gershberg \(rgershberg@verizon.net\)](mailto:Rick.Gershberg@verizon.net) 617-694-1060 [Mt.Pemigewasset \(Indian-Head\)](#)

[101641](#)

Sun, December 3 Wachusett Hike - Forty Plus (Hiking) Mt Wachusett from the Audubon Sanctuary. No registration, just show and go. Hike starts at 9:00AM, about 7 miles. Rain cancels., Massachusetts, Central, L: [Don Provencher \(xdap@aol.com\)](mailto:Don.Provencher@aol.com) CL: Kathy Blythe

[101133](#)

Sun, December 3 - Sun, December 3 Family Hike to Tippling Rock, Nobscot Hill and Ford's Foley, Sudbury, MA (Hiking) Meet 11 am for this family friendly hike at Nobscot Reservation, Sudbury, MA. We will hike a 3.5 mile loop mostly hiking along the Bay Circuit Trail- visiting Nobscot Hill and Tippling Rock - with views of the Boston Skyline. There's an additional one mile loop to Ford's Foley for those interested to see this historic dam that would not hold water. This, optional, side trip gives a total of 4.5 miles hiking, all this in the middle of MetroWest. We expect the hike to take 3.5 to 4 hours, depending on the pace of participants. Hike cancels due to inclement weather. Bring the family, bring friends, but if you do bring a child not your own, be sure to contact the leader for the AMC volunteer release agreement to be signed by a parent or guardian prior to the hike. Limited to 15 people. Register with Rogger Puma at rmpuma04@yahoo.com or 617-417-9273., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Rogger Puma \(rmpuma04@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Rogger.Puma@rmpuma04@yahoo.com) 617-417-9273, easy - moderate, [David Beck \(davidbeckrph@comcast.net\)](mailto:David.Beck@comcast.net) , Laurene Poland R: [Rogger Puma \(rmpuma04@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Rogger.Puma@rmpuma04@yahoo.com) 617-417-9273 [AMC Boston Family Outings](#)

[101459](#)

Sat, December 9 West Belknap Loop (B3C) (Hiking, Snowshoeing) This lovely loop over three small peaks in the Belknap range (Gunstock, Belkap, Piper) provides three chances for views: from the ski slopes of Gunstock, an

observation tower on Belknap, and the open ledges of Piper. It also gets one a quarter of the way to a patch for hiking 12 peaks in the Belknap range. And it's under a two hour drive from Boston: hard to beat bang-for-the-buck here. Trails are moderate, with a few short steep pitches and some rocky bits, but no exposure. We'll cover about 6 mi with 2000' of climb. This is a suitable first winter hike for fit and experienced three-season hikers who have extended their hikes into shoulder season and want to see what winter is like. Gear: Ask a leader for any questions, clarifications, or substitutions. Boots: any *insulated* boot suitable for hiking. Socks: Warm socks, no cotton (wool or synthetic generally recommended). Gaiters are strongly recommended. Snowshoes: Any sturdy snowshoe with a built-in crampon. Light traction: Microspikes, Hillsound "trail crampon", etc. recommended but not required IF snowshoe has an aggressive crampon. Headlamp or flashlight: we don't plan on hiking in the dark but sometimes bad things happen. Adequate clothing for the day with some in reserve. NO COTTON. This includes synthetic base layer, pants, an insulating (e.g. fleece) midlayer, waterproof shell for rain and wind, gloves/mittens, hat. Err on the side of having too much insulation available (especially in gloves/mittens), but in many layers so it's easy to adjust. Food and water; at least 2L water in appropriate bottles, insulated (e.g. in a spare sock). Hydration packs are not suitable (they tend to freeze.) Pack suitable for carrying all of the above. Leave some room in your pack for a small bit of group gear (figure a pound or two, about the size of a 1L bottle.) Our usual winter gear list is slight overkill for this trip; however, it is certainly adequate, is necessary for bigger trips up north, and gives a good "flavor" for the gear. See

http://hbbostonamc.org/docs/Gear_lists/Winter_Dayhike equip.pdf, New Hampshire, Lakes Region, L: Jonathan Niehof CL: [Rachael White \(rachael.elizabeth.white@gmail.com\)](mailto:Rachael.White(rachael.elizabeth.white@gmail.com)) [Register here 101494](#)

Sat, December 9 52 with a View: Sandwich Dome & Jennings Peak with Forty Plus (Hiking) Tired of the same old 4000 footers? Sandwich Dome and Jennings Peak at the moderate pace typical of the Forty Plus committee. These peaks are on the 52 with a View list, picked for their prominence (i.e. good views). 8.2 miles 2550 feet of elevation gain. This may be a nice late fall trip, but it is not too early for ice and snow, so all participants should be prepared and have experience with winter gear (microspikes and snow shoes, wind protection, etc.) - we will decide what to bring on the day of the hike., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Steven Dennen \(stevedennen@gmail.com\)](mailto:Steven.Dennen(stevedennen@gmail.com)) 781-799-9623 (Before 9:00pm) , [Teresa Pagliuca \(pagliuca.t@gmail.com\)](mailto:Teresa.Pagliuca(pagliuca.t@gmail.com)) CL: [Julie Meehan \(meehanworden@verizon.net\)](mailto:Julie.Meehan(meehanworden@verizon.net)) R: [Steve Dennen \(stevedennen@gmail.com\)](mailto:Steve.Dennen(stevedennen@gmail.com)) 781-799-9623 (Before 9:00 pm) [52 with a View 101616](#)

Sat, December 9 Wintry hike of the Welsh-Dickey Loop trail (Hiking) Join us for a beautiful and relaxing hike on Dec 9th to hike Mounts Welsh & Dickey in the White Mountains. We'll be using the 4.5 mile round-trip, moderate-grade Welsh-Dickey Loop trail. The trail features a 1650' elevation gain and should take us around 4 hours to complete. As we climb Mount Welch, we will reach an area of open ledges that features great views (weather permitting), as does the exposed summit. The climb from Welsh to Dickey is steep but not overwhelming. From there, the climb down is enjoyable, with lots more open ledges. We'll get some great views of Sandwich Mt, Mt Tripyramid, Mt. Tecumseh and others, as well as the town of Campton. Given the date, conditions could range from cool fall weather with some patches of ice, to cold and windy wintry weather with snow. Due to the terrain and weather, you must have proper gear (adequate clothing for cold weather hiking, rain jacket & pants, and microspikes) and done some comparable hikes this year. We expect snowshoes will not be required, although that could change, potentially requiring us to alter plans, if snow comes early. Register at REGI link <http://regi.amcboston.org/1731>., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Stephen Conlin , C3B Moderate, parts strenuous CL: [Todd Chapin \(toddwchapin@icloud.com\)](mailto:Todd.Chapin(toddwchapin@icloud.com)) <http://regi.amcboston.org/1731> [101571](#)

Sun, December 10 Noanet Woods hike (Hiking) Join us for a relaxing 4-5 mile hike in beautiful Noanet woodland. We will hike to Noanet peak, around three ponds, and through pine forests. Bring water, snacks, a light lunch, and microspikes (just in case). This is fairly easy hike on mostly flat terrain and is suitable for all levels. Meeting time is 9:30 am., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Maria Costantini \(mgccare@comcast.net\)](mailto:Maria.Costantini(mgccare@comcast.net)) , Virginia Ryan [100300](#)

Sun, December 10 - Sun, December 10 Groton Town Forest (Hiking, Walks) 1:00pm-3:00pm. Explore the varied topography and habitats of this scenic woodland, including eskers, kettle holes, dry upland, marsh, the dead river, and more. About 2 hours, moderate pace. Meet at end of Town Forest Road off of MA 225 in W Groton, 42.5973N 71.6052W., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Olin Lathrop [101610](#)

Wed, December 13 Duxbury Beach Hike 40+ (Hiking) Join the 40 Plus Wednesday Wranglers for a an 8-mile round trip hike along this stunningly beautiful barrier beach from Duxbury to Gurnet Point (part of Plymouth) and the historical Gurnet lighthouse. Bring water, snacks, lunch, and a sense of humor. Wear layered warm clothing with hat and gloves. Sturdy footwear advised. Optional side trip to French Bakery afterwards. Heavy rain or any other extremes of Mother Nature cancels the hike. <http://www.duxburybeach.com/> <http://www.lighthousefriends.com/light.asp?ID=517> Wednesday Rambler activities are part of 40 Plus's new Let's Get Out There! local hikes, where the pace ranges from easy through moderate to faster. Whether you're new to hiking, haven't hiked for a while, or want to up your hiking level, you're bound to find something of interest in Let's Get Out There!, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Kathy Blythe \(katherineblythe@comcast.net\)](mailto:Kathy.Blythe(katherineblythe@comcast.net)) CL: Emily McPhillips R: [Kathy Blythe \(katherineblythe@comcast.net\)](mailto:Kathy.Blythe(katherineblythe@comcast.net)) 617-922-7002 (anytime) [101550](#)

Sat, December 16 - Sat, December 16 Bedford to Billerica and back on the Narrow Gauge Rail Trail (Hiking, Snowshoeing, Walks) 6 mi through woods and past residences with stop at Fawn Lake. The pretty flat trail is a mix of pavement, crushed stone and dirt. Weather-permitting, we might snowshoe, 1-4 PM. Details and directions to meeting point will be sent upon registration., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Uschi Kullman \(ukullamc@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Uschi.Kullman(ukullamc@yahoo.com)) CL: [Emily McPhilips \(emcp@me.com\)](mailto:Emily.McPhilips(emcp@me.com)) R: [Emily McPhilips \(emcp@me.com\)](mailto:Emily.McPhilips(emcp@me.com)) [100828](#)

Sun, December 17 Sunapee Hike (Hiking, Snowshoeing) Leave the holiday frenzy behind! Join us on a scenic five-mile (1,500 elev. gain) round trip snowshoe to beautiful Mount Sunapee to the lodge (hot chocolate and 360 degree views). Medium pace. On the trail at 10 and back in the Boston area in time for holiday activities and/or shopping. Winter gear required. Registrar: Kathy Blythe 617.922.7002 (best time to call: Before 9PM) katherineblythe@comcast.net Leader Teresa Pagliuca pagliuca.t@gmail.com Co-Leader Kathy Blythe, New Hampshire, Upper Connecticut River Valley/Lake Sunapee, L: [Teresa Pagliuca \(pagliuca.t@gmail.com\)](mailto:Teresa.Pagliuca(pagliuca.t@gmail.com)) CL: Kathy Blythe R: [Kathy Blythe \(katherineblythe@comcast.net\)](mailto:Kathy.Blythe(katherineblythe@comcast.net)) 617-922-7002 (Before 9:00 pm)

[101374](#)

Sun, December 17 - Sun, December 17 Habitat Audubon Sanctuary, Belmont - Celebrate the Solstice Walk (*Hiking, Instruction (Skills), Walks*) Slow-paced nature walk through forests and fields and around pond focusing on plant ID of bare trees, naked shrubs and winter weeds as the natural world prepares for winter. We'll also talk about fun and interesting natural history of the plants we see. 1:00pm-4:00pm. From Rte 2, Exit 59 go west on Rte 60/Pleasant St. 0.6 miles. Right onto Clifton St, first left on Fletcher Rd, bear left at fork, next left on Juniper Rd. 0.2 miles to Sanctuary at #10 Juniper Rd. Steady rain or heavy snow cancels. Boot Boutwell is a freelance itinerant naturalist who teaches and leads nature walks for Mass. Audubon - Habitat, The New England Wild Flower Society, the Winchester Public Schools, the Friends of the Middlesex Fells, the AMC and other organizations., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Boot Boutwell 781-729-4712

[96328](#)

Mon, December 25 - Mon, December 25 Holiday Hike - Lynn Woods, Lynn (*Hiking, Walks*) 5 miles, Leader's Choice. 9:00am-1:00pm. Bring lunch, H2O, and snacks. Dress for the elements. I-95/Route 128 to Walnut Street exit, 4 miles. From Route 1, Walnut Street exit, 2 miles. Turn left on Pennybrook Road to Western Gate parking lot. No dogs; non-AMC members \$1. Cancel if rain., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Nelson Caraballo 617-548-8579 (11am -2pm)

[98302](#)

Mon, December 25 - Mon, December 25 Blue Hills Ponkapoag Pond, Canton (*Hiking, Snowshoeing, Walks*) Moderate pace 4-mi. hike/snowshoe around pond, 10:00am-12:15pm. Bring snack & water. From Rte. 93/128 exit 2A, take Rte. 138 S 0.7 mi. to Ponkapoag Golf Course lot on L. No dogs; non-AMC members \$1. If no snow, bring traction device for boots., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Beth Mosias 781-335-5034

[99993](#)

Mon, December 25 - Mon, December 25 Foss Farms, Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge and Greenough Land (*Hiking, Snowshoeing, Walks*) Easy approx. 4-5 mi. wander through a good birding area with river and pond views, pine forest and red maple swamp. Snowshoe if sufficient snow cover. Meet 10am. Foss Farms parking lot, about 1/3 mi west of Concord River off Rte. 225. From Rte. 128 Exit 31B follow Rtes. 4/225 through Bedford, continuing on Rte. 225 toward Carlisle. Storm cancels. If weather uncertain contact Leader. No dogs; non-AMC members \$1., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Mark Levine \(trailmark@verizon.net\)](mailto:MarkLevine@verizon.net)

[101609](#)

Tue, December 26 Mount Jefferson (*Hiking*) Try and that new winter gear. We'll do Jefferson via Jewell. Expect an early start and long day. Register at REGI link <https://regi.amcboston.org/1719>., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Joe Comuzzi \(jcomuzzi@kateharper.com\)](mailto:jcomuzzi@kateharper.com) , A3AB, Barbara Amoroso <https://regi.amcboston.org/1719>

[96329](#)

Mon, January 1 - Mon, January 1 Holiday Hike - Lynn Woods, Lynn (*Hiking, Walks*) 5 miles, Leader's Choice. 9:00am-1:00pm. Bring lunch, H2O, and snacks. Dress for the elements. I-95/Route 128 to Walnut Street exit, 4 miles. From Route 1, Walnut Street exit, 2 miles. Turn left on Pennybrook Road to Western Gate parking lot. No dogs; non-AMC members \$1. Cancel if rain., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Nelson Caraballo 617-548-8579 (11am -2pm)

[100080](#)

Sun, January 7 - Sun, January 7 Family Outings 5th Annual New Years Celebration & Equipment Swap (*Hiking*) Join AMC families for our fifth annual New Year Celebration, lunch, equipment swap/sale, optional snowshoe clinic, walks/hikes/Snowshoes of varying lengths, crafts, and snow play, Welcome in the New Year from noon - 3:30 PM at the Boy Scout Nobscot Scout Reservation in Framingham/Sudbury. We have snowshoes to lend. Event includes the hike up Tippling Rock (views of three states, Boston's towers, and Mt. Monadnock). FREE. Everyone welcome, members and nonmembers alike and all ages young and small, big and tall. Register above or copy and paste this link into your browser <https://goo.gl/forms/V5t127j989zGU1gg1>.. More information and directions will be sent to registered participants. Contact Jeanne Blauner at jablauner@comcast.net with questions., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Jeanne Blauner \(jablauner@comcast.net\)](mailto:JeanneBlauner@comcast.net) 978-202-5606, Easy -moderate, Margo CHapski , Denise Boucher , David Beck CL: David Powell , Doug Cohen [AMC Boston Family Outings](#)

[100423](#)

Sun, January 14 - Mon, January 15 Zealand Hut in the Winter (*Hiking, Snowshoeing*) Zealand hut in the Winter.. Experience the self-service hut in the winter.. Cooking our own meals ..wood stove for heat in the kitchen area, cozy unheated bunk rooms. We will hike up Zealand Road 3.8 miles to Zealand Trail, follow the river, for a total of 6.6 miles one way... 1,100 feet of elevation. (Fee) (L) pagliuca.t@gmail.com, (L) stevedennen@verizon.net, New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Steven Dennen \(stevedennen@gmail.com\)](mailto:StevenDennen@gmail.com) 781-799-9623 (Before 9:00pm) , [Teresa Pagliuca \(pagliuca.t@gmail.com\)](mailto:TeresaPagliuca@gmail.com) R: [Steven Dennen \(stevedennen@gmail.com\)](mailto:StevenDennen@gmail.com) 781-799-9623 (Before 9:00 pm)

[101462](#)

Sun, January 14 Mt. Jackson (*Hiking*) Come join us to hike Mt. Jackson, a 4000 footer named after Charles Jackson, a NH state geologist of the 19th century. We will hike via the Webster-Jackson Trail. The hike will be an out and back with a total mileage of 5.2 miles and the elevation gain will be 2,547 feet. Weather permitting we will have nice views. Book time is 4 hours, but we will go slightly slower than that. Note that we will go as fast as the slowest hiker. Some previous winter hiking experience needed. Boston Chapter AMC winter hiking program graduates are encouraged to join us on this hike. Join us on this excursion for good company. Required winter hiking gear includes among other things: Microspikes or Hillsounds (no substitutes allowed), insulated winter boots, gaiters, waterproof layers, warm layers, gloves, hat, headlamp/flashlight, lunch/snacks, a minimum of 2 liters of water in nalgenes, etc. You should have crampons and snowshoes (a decision on whether we need those or not will be last minute and dependent on weather conditions). No cotton clothing., New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: Casey Ajalat , B3BCL: Morgane Treanton

[Registration](#)

Ice Skating

[98277](#)

Fri, December 29 - Mon, January 1 New Years Family Ski Weekend, Vermont (*Ice Skating, Skiing, Skiing - Cross-Country (Nordic), Skiing - Downhill (Alpine), Sledding, Snowshoeing*) Ring in the New Year with Family Outings! Join us for our annual New Years trip at a beautiful Ski House in Burke, Vermont minutes from downhill and cross-country skiing. This is a weekend of winter fun: skiing (xc & downhill), sledding, good food, good company and more! Cost

\$180/person Includes lodging for 3 nights, 3 breakfasts, 2 dinners, (appetizers available the first night). Please register at: <http://tinyurl.com/NewYearsinVT018>. For questions, please email tonaomirose@gmail.com., Vermont, Green Mountains, L: [Naomi Ribner \(tonaomirose@gmail.com\)](mailto:tonaomirose@gmail.com) , easy-moderate [AMC Boston Family Outings](http://amcboston.org/committees/family)
<http://amcboston.org/committees/family>

Instruction (Skills)

[101273](#)

Sat, November 18 - Sat, November 18 Rock Meadow Conservation Land, Belmont (*Instruction (Skills), Walks*) Slow-paced nature walk through Belmont conservation land fields and forests to talk about nature in autumn. The walk will focus on plant ID and fun natural history. 9:30am-12:30pm. Meet at Rock Meadow Conservation Land, Belmont, MA. ARRIVE EARLY. PARKING LIMITED. Steady rain or heavy snow cancels., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Boot Boutwell 781-729-4712

Leadership Training

[100365](#)

Sun, November 19 AMC Boston Chapter One-Day Leadership Training Program (*Leadership Training*) This one-day program is for AMC members who are interested in organizing and leading Boston Chapter trips and activities with the Family Outings, Forty Plus, INTRO, Local Walks, Mountains and Music, Ski and Young Members committees. Participation in the program prepares you to co-lead non-backcountry trips and activities. (To co-lead backcountry trips or trips with other activity committees, see the longer leadership training program that involves two weeknights and a weekend, which is described here: <https://regi.amcboston.org/1642>) This program consists of lectures, small group exercises and role-plays, with a mix of classroom and outdoor exercises, and topics include leadership styles, trip planning, trip management and safety. The program emphasizes experiential learning and decision making skills. Open to all AMC members with preference given to active AMC trip participants. The program is held in Mattapan, MA on Saturday, November 19, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The fee is \$15.00. Program location and further details will be communicated with confirmation of registration., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Stephen Conlin

Meetings

[101604](#)

Mon, December 11 - Mon, December 11 BOSTON YM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (*Meetings*) Interested in learning about the inner workings of the AMC Boston Young Members (YM) Committee? The YM Steering Committee is generally scheduled to meet on the second Monday of every month from 7-9 pm - dinner is provided! Our meetings are open to all in AMC YM. If interested, contact Zoe K (zoe.karp@gmail.com) for information on location and other details., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Zoe Karp \(zoe.karp@gmail.com\)](mailto:zoe.karp@gmail.com)

[100308](#)

Tue, December 12 - Tue, December 12 MONTHLY AMC BOSTON HIKING/BACKPACKING COMMITTEE MEETING (*Meetings*) Are you an experienced AMC hiker and curious about how volunteer-led AMC hiking and backpacking activities are governed? The Boston Chapter's Hiking/Backpacking Committee meets monthly to handle such matters as overseeing the chapter's hundreds of hiking/backpacking leaders and leader candidates, coordinating educational programs, administering our finance, setting policy, etc. Interested guests are welcome to sit in. For the particulars, contact Stephen Conlin, the chairperson, at chair@hbbostonamc.org. [NOTE: this is not where our leaders and co-leaders coordinate to plan specific outings -- that happens separately between the relevant individuals as each trip idea develops.], Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Stephen Conlin R: Stephen Conlin

Running

[101399](#)

Sun, December 10 YULEFEST 5K RUN - INTERCHAPTER YM TEAM (*Running*) Join the Boston and Worcester Young Members at the Cambridge Yulefest 5K! Wear your favorite festive holiday costume or just your standard running clothes, but make sure you dress appropriately for the weather. The post-race party includes food, beer, and a raging dance party, and you get a sweet pom pom beanie at the race. Register through the Yulefest Eventbrite website under the team name AMC-Young Members (see link below). If we can get 35+ runners signed up to our team, we get a pop up tent for ourselves plus beer and pretzels! (Fees for run go up soon so register today!) We will email team where to meet before and after the race., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Zoe Rath \(zrphoto@gmail.com\)](mailto:zoe.rath@gmail.com) , easy [Register](#)

Skiing

[101428](#)

Wed, December 6 - Wed, December 6 Boston Chapter Ski Committee Open House (*Skiing*) Join us for the Boston AMC Ski Committee Open House 6:30-9:00pm. Come and learn about the many skiing opportunities with the Ski Committee: workshops, ski trips, and adventure travel. We are avid ski enthusiasts with interests in downhill skiing, backcountry skiing, and cross country skiing. If you are new to skiing, or have years of experience, come and meet other people with similar interests (and levels of ability). We have many trips planned already - come and check them out, ask questions of our trip leaders, and meet our members. Come and enjoy the venue - Arc'teryx is a technical high-performance outerwear and equipment company with a relentless commitment to design, craftsmanship, and performance. There will be light refreshments, door prizes, and some brief presentations., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Shannon MacKenzie \(tuscola16@gmail.com\)](mailto:tuscola16@gmail.com) CL: [Marcella MacKenzie \(marcelmacnz@gmail.com\)](mailto:marcelmacnz@gmail.com) [Arc'teryx](#)

[101674](#)

Mon, December 11 - Mon, December 11 December Ski Social - Aeronaut Brewing (*Skiing, Social Events*) Join the AMC Ski Committee at Aeronaut Brewery in Somerville to jump start your winter season! From 7pm to 10pm on Monday, December 11th, enjoy local beer and snacks in the company of ski enthusiasts who XC, Alpine Tour & Telemark

throughout New England and beyond. This should be a great way to meet local, like-minded skiers. We would love to hear about your plans for the upcoming season! Aeronaut brews their own beer onsite. Entry is provided on a first come, first serve basis with the general public. <https://www.aeronautbrewing.com/>, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Michael Bratina \(mbratina@gmail.com\)](mailto:mbratina@gmail.com) R: [Cheryl Hacker \(cheryl.hacker@gmail.com\)](mailto:cheryl.hacker@gmail.com) [Aeronaut Brewing Co](#)
[101281](#)

Sat, December 16 - Sat, December 16 Early Snowbird Skiing (Skiing) Time to dust off your skis, dig out your boots, and exercise your quads for the upcoming season. We plan to skin up Pat's Peak (near Concord, NH) and ski down open trails. Not much vertical here, so plan on 3-5 laps until we achieve "burning legs of fire". AT and Telemark skiers of all abilities welcome. No registration needed - contact me for meeting place (TBD)., New Hampshire, Merrimack Valley, L: [Jeff Barrell \(JBarrell@yahoo.com\)](mailto:JBarrell@yahoo.com) , all abilities [Pat's Peak](#)
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Fri, December 29 - Mon, January 1 AMC New Year's Celebration in White Mountains (Skiing - Cross-Country (Nordic)) Join us as we celebrate the new year with X-C skiing at moderate levels and a relaxed pace. Snow shoeing is also available from novice to experienced. Ski touring center is nearby for all levels of X-C and downhill/alpine skiing. Stay at lovely Mountain Fare Inn, Campton, NH. \$365 covers lodging, 3 breakfasts, 2 happy hours & 2 dinners. Please register with L: Anna Panszczyk, Annatp12@gmail.com 781-648-2492 before 9:00 PM, CLs: Nancy & Bob DiMeo, bndimeo@gmail.com, New Hampshire, White Mountains, L: [Anna Panszczyk \(Annatp12@gmail.com\)](mailto:Anna.Panszczyk@Annatp12@gmail.com) 781-648-2492 (Before 9:00 PM) , beginners and intermediate X-C & snowshoeing, [Nancy DiMeo \(bndimeo@gmail.com\)](mailto:NancyDiMeo@gmail.com) 978-649-6255 (Before 9:00 PM) , [Robert DiMeo \(bndimeo@gmail.com\)](mailto:RobertDiMeo@gmail.com) 978-649-6255 (Before 9:00 PM) R: [Anna Panszczyk \(Annatp12@gmail.com\)](mailto:Anna.Panszczyk@Annatp12@gmail.com) 781-648-2492 (before 9 PM)
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Fri, January 5 - Sun, January 7 Ski In / Ski Out at Sunday River, Maine Ski Resort (Skiing, Skiing - Downhill (Alpine)) Join us for a fun weekend of skiing, dining, and socializing with fellow skiers. Two days of skiing/telemark/snowboarding at Sunday River Ski Resort. Trip includes 2 nights B&B lodging at the on-mountain Grand Summit Hotel, double occupancy rooms, private bath, two full buffet breakfasts, 2-day lift ticket. Bring your friends; they do not have to be AMC members. Price \$335 PPDO (\$305 Senior), \$492 single, \$197 for seasons pass or maxpass holders. We will be making a group reservation for dinner in the Camp Restaurant at the Grand Summit for dinner Saturday evening (meal not included in trip cost). Payment required to sign up. Signing up for the trip early guarantees a spot and to find you a roommate if you want a double room. Registration: Registration is required for this activity., Maine, Western, L: [Barbara Amoroso \(barbaraamoroso@yahoo.com\)](mailto:barbaraamoroso@yahoo.com) 781-321-1620, [Jeri Schefts \(schefts@bc.edu\)](mailto:schefts@bc.edu) 781-893-0467
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Sat, January 6 Novice/Intermediate Telemark Ski Clinic (Skiing, Skiing - Telemark) Learn to telemark or improve your turns at Wachusett Mountain Ski Area in central Massachusetts! Those whose only prior experience is with alpine or XC can learn telemark on easy grades, while intermediate freeheelers will attempt steeper terrain. Metal-edged telemark skis and stiff boots required (rentals available). Small group instruction based on ability and equipment. Ski area is just 1 hour and 10 minutes from Boston and offers 1000' vertical. \$60/members, \$70/non-members includes lift ticket and instruction (price estimated, may change closer to event date). Register today or inquire at amc.tele.clinic@gmail.com. Address questions to Mustafa Varoglu, clinic coordinator. (Prior experience with alpine or xc skiing is necessary.), Massachusetts, Central, L: Aldo Ghirin , Novice to Intermediate CL: [Mustafa Varoglu \(amc.tele.clinic@gmail.com\)](mailto:Mustafa.Varoglu@amc.tele.clinic@gmail.com) R: [Registration Email Address \(amc.tele.clinic@gmail.com\)](mailto:Registration.Email.Address@amc.tele.clinic@gmail.com)
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Sun, January 7 - Fri, January 12 X-C SKI AND SNOWSHOE WEEK, VAL DAVID QUEBEC (Skiing - Cross-Country (Nordic)) (Forty Plus) 21st Annual X-C Ski and Snowshoe trip to Auberge du VieuxFoyer, Val David, Quebec. Accommodations include a double room with a private bath, five nights lodging, five full breakfasts, five gourmet dinners. Includes free access to over 100 km of groomed trails for all abilities, including those at Far Hills. Indoor Sauna and large outdoor hot tub on premises. Rate \$663/per person, double occ. Plus taxes = 762.28) per/person single occ. \$840. Plus taxes = 965.79 Deposit required with registration \$135.00, no later than 11/01/2017, L. Marjorie Jordan (617 969 6863 between 7:00-9:00 PM) magjor@verizon.net, International, L: [Marjorie Jordan \(magjor@verizon.net\)](mailto:Marjorie.Jordan@magjor@verizon.net) R: [Marjorie Jordan \(magjor@verizon.net\)](mailto:Marjorie.Jordan@magjor@verizon.net) 617-969-6863 (7pm - 9pm)
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Fri, January 12 - Mon, January 15 Cross- Country Skiing in Craftsbury, VT - January 13 - 16, 2017 MLK weekend (Skiing - Cross-Country (Nordic)) Come join us at the Craftsbury Outdoor Center (COC) where we will ski right out the door and over the lovely rolling hills of VT. Skiing at a moderate level, easy pace. Stay at comfortable lodge at the COC in Craftsbury VT. \$365 covers 3 nights lodging, 9 delicious and hardy meals and 4 days of skiing., Vermont, Green Mountains, L: [Nancy DiMeo \(bndimeo@gmail.com\)](mailto:NancyDiMeo@gmail.com) 978-649-6255 (before 9:00 p.m.) , easy to intermediate R: [Nancy Dimeo \(bndimeo@gmail.com\)](mailto:NancyDimeo@gmail.com) 978-649-6255 (before 9:00 p.m.)

Social Events

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Tue, November 21 - Tue, November 21 Pilgrim Pub Crawl (Social Events) Come Navigate the streets of Boston using a map and compass at the 3rd annual Pilgrim Pub Crawl!, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Julia Doucett \(juliamdoucett@gmail.com\)](mailto:juliamdoucett@gmail.com) CL: Michael Goodman [Register](#)

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Thu, November 30 - Thu, November 30 20s and 30s Winter Warmer (Social Events) We will be gathering at the Armory in Somerville at 191 Highland Ave. Meet new and old friends, participate in winter-themed games and activities, and learn about great Young Members events and trips being offered this winter!, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Julia Doucett \(juliamdoucett@gmail.com\)](mailto:Julia.Doucett@juliamdoucett@gmail.com) 413-328-4491, Rachael White CL: Madeline McGill [Register](#)

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Thu, December 14 - Thu, December 14 1% for the Planet: Maine Beer Company & AMC Happy Hour (Social Events) Join AMC's Boston Chapter and Maine Beer Company for a few drinks and a little charity! PJ Ryan's, a Somerville staple for amazing craft beers, has graciously offered to host us. A percentage of sales this evening will go towards supporting AMC's conservation mission in our region. Do what's right. Make great beer. Have fun. This is the

mission statement that hangs in the brewery at Maine Beer Company and in the simplest terms possible, outlines our business and brewing philosophy. Founding the company in 2009, David & Daniel Kleban wanted to prove that you could run a business while still doing what's right. Beyond the platitudes of giving back and being environmentally sound, the desire to "Do what's right" is a genuine philosophy that is embraced at all levels of the company. Through our partnerships with non-profits our staff develop a personal connection to our local community and environment. Opportunities to do more and create a symbiotic relationship with our environment & community often outweigh the opportunity to expand in a traditional business sense. While some businesses judge their success based on financial growth, at MBC success is gauged by how much they are able to give back, with each year in business seeing an increase in our donations to 1% For the Planet non-profits. MBC has selected Appalachian Mountain Club as one of their 1% For the Planet environmental non-profits because they saw a like-minded focus in to protecting the environment and encouraging people to get outdoors. The Appalachian Mountains pass through many of the areas where Maine Beer Company beers are distributed, and they recognized an opportunity of engaging more people and drawing attention to the work of the AMC through their beer community both at home and in other states. Locally, the Maine Woods Initiative supported by the AMC ties in with Maine Beer Company's advocacy for the Katahdin Woods & Waters National Monument. In a state whose economy is increasingly defined by tourism they recognize the importance of supporting land conservation, nature-based tourism, and community partnerships, all of which are central to the AMC., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: Rachael White [Sign up](#)

Walks

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Sat, November 18 - Sat, November 18 Family Walk at Noanet Woodlands, Dover, MA (Walks) We will walk the popular Caryl Trail to an old mill site. Along the way, we will use magnifying glasses to see what lives under fallen logs and along the forest floor. We may also see some bird life including northern orioles and hawks. The walk is appropriate for all ages. From the high point of the trip we will have a view of the Boston skyline on a clear day. Please bring water, sun screen and insect repellent. The walks starts at 9:30AM at the Caryl Park parking area on Dedham Street in Dover. The leader is Chris Stix. For questions, contact him at stixc2001@yahoo.com. The walk will cancel for rain or thunder and lightning. The walk is sponsored by AMC Boston Family Outings and Outdoors Rx., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Christopher Stix \(stixc2001@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Christopher Stix (stixc2001@yahoo.com)) 781-894-2924 (before 8 PM) , Easy [Outdoors Rx](#)

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Fri, November 24 - Fri, November 24 Family Post Turkey Amble in the Blue Hills, Massachusetts (Walks) Join AMC families (members and non-members) at Houghton Pond in the Blue Hills just about half hour south of Boston for a fun ~ 1 ½ hour hike the day after Thanksgiving. Families with children under 4 will need CARRIERS (required). Children 4 and over will have a blast scrambling over ROCKS and UNEVEN terrain. REQUIRED to bring water, snacks, water-resistant outerwear and footwear and a few extra layers in your backpacks. Event is free. Questions? Registration Contact: Joanna Jung, jjinbox@verizon.net, 617-549-2812., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Joanna Jung \(jjinbox@verizon.net\)](mailto:Joanna Jung (jjinbox@verizon.net)) 617-549-2812, Easy to Moderate, [David Powell \(davidfreds@beld.net\)](mailto:David Powell (davidfreds@beld.net)) 781-858-5546 (NCA 9.00) R: [Joanna Jung \(jjinbox@verizon.net\)](mailto:Joanna Jung (jjinbox@verizon.net)) 617-549-2812 [Blue Hills Trail Map from Mass.gov](#)

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Wed, November 29 - Wed, November 29 Lincoln Woods-Walden Pond Walk (Walks) Description: Join the 40 + Wednesday Wranglers for a beautiful hike on Lincoln conservation land. We will walk for 5-7 miles at a moderate pace through woods and along ponds up to beautiful Walden Pond. Minimal elevation gain with a walk up Mt. Misery (really a hill) and Pine Hill, the highest point in Concord. This hike is suitable for all levels. Bring water, snacks, lunch and a sense of humor. Rain Cancels. Registration required. Trial route link: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/16940488> Lincoln Land Conservation: <http://www.lincolnconservation.org/PDFTrailMaps.htm> Wednesday Wrangler activities are part of 40 Plus's new Let's Get Out There! local hikes, where the pace ranges from easy through moderate to faster. Whether you're new to hiking, haven't hiked for a while, or want to up your hiking level, you're bound to find something of interest in Let's Get Out There!, Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Kathy Blythe \(katherineblythe@comcast.net\)](mailto:Kathy Blythe (katherineblythe@comcast.net)) CL: [Emily McPhillips \(Emcp@me.com\)](mailto:Emily McPhillips (Emcp@me.com)) R: [Emily McPhillips \(Emcp@me.com\)](mailto:Emily McPhillips (Emcp@me.com))

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Sun, December 10 - Sun, December 10 Family Stroll through Great Brook Farm, Carlisle, MA (Walks) Take a 1.5 hour break from hectic holiday activities and take a stroll with other families through Great Brook Farm in Carlisle, MA. Focus your attention on the breeze, the tree scents, the earth under your feet, and your child's laughter/shout! Optional lunch at a local restaurant after. Required: waterproof shoes, rain gear, layers, backpack, water, and snacks. Children under 4 will need a carrier. Register with Joanna Jung, jjinbox@verizon.net, 617-549-2812 There may be a \$3 parking fee., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Joanna Jung \(jjinbox@verizon.net\)](mailto:Joanna Jung (jjinbox@verizon.net)) 617-549-2812, easy, [Silvia Zaharino-Dubinsky \(silvia_zaharino@yahoo.com\)](mailto:Silvia Zaharino-Dubinsky (silvia_zaharino@yahoo.com)) R: [Joanna Jung \(jjinbox@verizon.net\)](mailto:Joanna Jung (jjinbox@verizon.net)) 617-549-2812 [Great Brook Farm State Park](#)

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Mon, January 1 - Mon, January 1 Franklin Park New Year's Day Hike With The Family, Boston, MA (Walks) Franklin Park New Year's Day hike in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury and Dorchester neighborhoods of Boston. Meet 11 am. We do this walk/hike yearly and love the openness and history behind Franklin Park. Welcome to the "country park," the largest park and crowning jewel of Frederick Law Olmsted's achievements in Boston. We generally walk the perimeter in about two hours. It can be chilly and windy, but refreshing after a new year's celebration. Families can easily negotiate the path with a stroller and youngsters enjoy the historical sites along the way. Be prepared for the weather and a broad open area which may be breezy. Sneakers are fine unless snow or ice is present, in which case YOU WILL NEED APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR. Bring snacks and water. Open to all, young and old, small and tall. Please RSVP leader Brian Witkov user369128@aol.com by the 30th December., Massachusetts, Boston Area, L: [Brian Witkov \(animalhc@aol.com\)](mailto:Brian Witkov (animalhc@aol.com)) , Relatively EasyCL: Robin Swift , Zoe Karp [AMC Boston Family Outings](#)