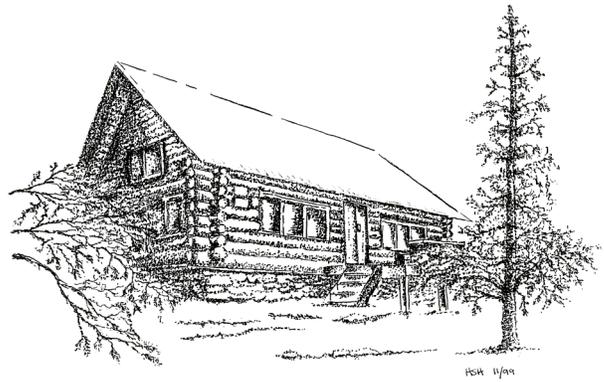


# RIDGE LINES



GREEN MOUNTAIN CLUB  
BURLINGTON SECTION

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Spring 2012

## *Help Get Our Trails Ready for Summer*

Every spring, there's a lot of work to be done to repair winter's damage and get the trails ready for hikers. This year, the Burlington Section trail work dates are **May 5, May 12, May 19, May 26** and a special event to celebrate National Trails Day on **June 2**.

We need volunteers to do several different chores, from clipping branches that have grown across the trail to cleaning out the water bars and drainage ditches that keep the trails from turning into roaring waterfalls during spring rains. On each hike, we'll have one or two people who have experience with a chain saw and can deal with larger blow-downs. Other volunteers will pull and roll the cut branches and logs away from the trail.

All the tools are provided, but feel free to bring your own favorites if you want. We'll also provide instruction on how to use the tools, as needed. This is your chance to get up close and personal with Hazel hoes, crow bars, loppers, folding handsaws and come-alongs. At the same time, you'll be talking and laughing with your co-workers, enjoying spring wildflowers, smelling fresh air, listening to birds, checking out tracks from moose and deer, and in general spending a day that's both fun and useful.

Generally, trail work outings require moderate hiking (5-8 miles, not over 2400' elevation gain). We're usually done by mid-afternoon. Most outings have an early turn-around option for folks who might not be able to go the whole distance or who need to be back earlier than the rest of us.

The more workers we have, the more miles of trails get cleared – and it's easier and more fun for everyone. Please consider coming on one or more of the trail work outings. We'll meet at 8:00 AM at the UVM visitors' lot off East Ave. in Burlington *or* at 8:30 AM at the Richmond Park & Ride (just off Exit 11). Contact Pam Gillis, 879-1457, or John Sharp, 862-3941 for more information.

***Work outings are always full of laughter, camaraderie and fun. In addition, every time you hike the trail afterwards, you'll feel proud that you helped.***

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*Each year at the Section's Annual Meeting, committee chairs give summaries of the previous year's activities, challenges and successes.*

### **Treasurer's Report**

Contributed by Joel Tilley

The Burlington Section is in good shape financially. In 2011, our income was \$947 more than we budgeted, and our operating expenses were \$2351 less than budgeted. Our primary sources of income were membership dues and donations collected at the door during our two Short Clips of Great Trips events. Our major operating expense was publication of *Ridge Lines*.

In 2011, we used some of the Holmes Fund to purchase a 1917 first edition *Long Trail Guide*, along with a cabinet for safe storage.

At the January 28 Annual Meeting, members voted to donate \$8000 to the main club for the Winooski Bridge Project. You can see a video description of this project by going to:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVdFb4Au628](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVdFb4Au628)

### **Update on Membership**

Contributed by Dot Myer

At the end of 2011, the Burlington Section had 642 memberships. Many were family memberships, so the total number of members was 923. This is up from 2010, when we had 624 memberships and 821 members.

We've an unusually large number of members join since December.

### ***WELCOME TO ALL THESE NEW BURLINGTON SECTION MEMBERS!!***

David Anderson, Jennifer Anderson, Emily Bartlett, Courtney Bryan, Sam Cliff, Laura and Stewart Cui, Richard Demar, Jesse D. Dunklee, Kerin Durfee, Benjamin and Nan Feinson, Peter Fisk, Eunice Froeliger, Marshall Gilinsky, Steve Gladstone, Matt Halibozek, Lisa Hardy, Peter Hewitt, Shannon Jerolmon, Aaron Jesen, Justin Jette, Megan Kelley, Jenifer Kennelly, Susan Kissel, Ben Krisher, Sarah Lamb, Jacalyn Levine, Amy Lilly and Prospero Gogo, Jan and Brian Ling, Steven Lipman, Thomas J. MacCarthy, Meredith Manning, Benjamin and Nan Mason, Sarah Matheis, Lisa Maynes, Ann Macy, Corrine Mertz, Kimberly Mihan, Lauren Morley, Richard Munson, Jonathon and Cara Nelson, Clem Nilan, Amy Otis-Lange, Steve and Debbie Page, Chris Pariseau and Alison Maynard, Penelope Parson, Charlie Ritzo, Dan Ryan, Rebecca Thibault, David Weaver, Don Weinberg, Nate Wildfire, Susan Wilson

### **Reminder about responsible hiking during mud-season**

- Stay off Vermont's sensitive summits.  
The State of Vermont closes hiking trails on state land (including the trails on Mt. Mansfield and Camels Hump) from mid-April to Memorial Day. In addition to the two closed mountains, hikers should avoid Stratton Mountain, Killington Peak, Jay Peak and Lincoln Ridge (Mount Ellen to Appalachian Gap). Avoid spruce-fir (conifer) forests at higher elevations. South-facing slopes in the lower-elevation hardwood forests dry out first in Spring.
- Walk *through* the mud. Don't widen the trail.
- Plan lower-elevation hikes. Spring is a great time to walk in lakeside parks or hike on dirt roads, rail trails and recreation paths.

**The following slate of officers was approved at the 1/28/2012 Annual Meeting. Feel free to contact any of us with comments, questions, etc.**

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Annual Meeting	- Open -		
Taylor Series	- Open -		
Special Programs	- Open -		

***If you would like to volunteer in one of the open positions, please contact Phil Hazen.***

### **Update on Education Committee**

Contributed by Taylor Christie

We're excited to announce that the Outdoor Gear Exchange (OGE) has dedicated space in their new building on Church Street for meetings and educational events that will attract a wide variety of people who love the outdoors. On February 1, OGE and the Burlington Section of GMC hosted a presentation by world-renown wildlife photographer and biologist Sue Morse. Sue shared photos and stories of her experiences with Vermont's wildlife, as well methods and tips for tracking animals in the woods.

On February 8, Frank Bryan from the Center for Research on Vermont presented "The Road Not Taken: The Green Mountain Parkway as a 'Tipping Point' in the History of Northern New England". Professor Bryan talked about the Green Mountain Parkway, a major road that was proposed from Massachusetts to Canada right over Vermont's mountain peaks. GMC's James P. Taylor was a major opponent of the Parkway. (Taylor also was the first person to suggest a billboard ban for the state.)

**YUMMY** - In March, Three Tomatoes Trattoria and Long Trail Ale will host fund-raisers for GMC Education and Outreach Programs. Eat at Three Tomatoes in Williston on March 15 and/or Burlington on March 29, and part of the cost of your delicious meal will be donated to GMC. For details, go to [www.threetomatoestrattoria.com](http://www.threetomatoestrattoria.com)

## Update on Shelters

The Burlington Section of the Green Mountain Club is responsible for seven sites where hikers can stay overnight along the trail:

- four lodges – **Butler Lodge, Buchanan Lodge, Taft Lodge, Taylor Lodge**
- two shelters - **Duck Brook Shelter, Puffer Shelter**
- one tenting area **Twin Brooks Tenting Area**

Lodges are large enclosed buildings made of logs and situated in heavy-use areas. Shelters are three-sided lean-tos with open fronts. Tenting areas provide open space and platforms.

Shelters Committee chair Linda Evans reported that 2011 was another quiet year for our overnight sites, in large part because the northern areas of Vermont missed out on much of the damage done by Tropical Storm Irene. The privy door at Buchanan Lodge needed a quick repair, but other than that, all that was needed was the usual yearly upkeep and maintenance.

### Ever wonder who takes care of overnight sites?

Every one of the Long Trail's shelters, lodges and tenting areas has a volunteer "adopter". Adopters regularly check on the condition of their sites and do basic maintenance. They can also organize a volunteer crew if needed. Adopters fill out adopter reports to keep the GMC's field coordinator up-to-date about work that's been done and about any major repairs that might require a professional crew.

We're lucky to have dedicated shelter adopters who have been loyal to their chosen shelters for many years. **Thanks to Kerstin Lange, Jeff Bostwick, Jonathan Boyson, Scott Buckingham, David and Zack Ellenbogen, and Brian Youngberg!**

## Update on Outings

Contributed by Paul Houchens

In 2011, there were 94 trips scheduled, with 23 trip leaders in all. Seventeen leaders organized four or more trips during the year: Robynn Albert, Dot Myer, Kelley Christie, Russ Kinaman, Rich Larsen, Darryl Smith, Pam Gillis, Kathy Adams, Wes Volk, Carlene Squires, Sheri Larsen, Linda Evans, Pete Cottrell, Ted Albers, Phil Hazen, Dave Hathaway and John Sharpe.

These dedicated volunteers are truly the backbone of the Club! We'd love to have even more trip leaders. To encourage this, everyone who leads at least one trip will get \$50 off the cost of a SOLO wilderness first aid refresher course. (The total cost is \$180.)

## Update on Trails

Contributed by Pam Gillis

In 2011, there were 5 trail work days with many more volunteers than there were in 2010. All together, we had 316 volunteer work hours. We found many trees down between Jonesville and Bolton Notch, which kept our chain sawyers busy!

## Update on Special Programs

Contributed by Robynn Albert

In June and November of 2011, we hosted the fourth and fifth in our series of Short Clips of Great Trips at the DoubleTree Inn in South Burlington. As always, we had a great crowd with excellent presentations, good food and amazing door prizes donated by many local businesses. **Our next Short Clips event will be on Friday April 13, 2012 at the DoubleTree Hotel, 1117 Williston Road, South Burlington. Registration starts at 6:00 PM and the program is from 6:30 – 9:00.**

**LIGHT HORS D'OEUVRES – plus CASH BAR**

**\$7 MINIMUM DONATION – DOOR PRIZES, TOO**

**SPACE IS LIMITED - RSVP at gmcevents@hotmail.com**

**EVERYONE WELCOME!!**

## Section Outings

### Spring 2012

Unless otherwise specified, call the trip leader to sign up, find out what equipment you'll need, and learn about any changes. Check with trip leader before bringing your pet along. Human guests are always welcome. Trip leaders often arrange carpooling. If you ride along in someone else's car, we recommend reimbursing the driver at the rate of 10 cents a mile.

#### March 2012

3/3 (Sat) **Mt. Abraham via Battell Trail** Depending on the weather conditions, we'll hike or snowshoe to the top of Mt. Abraham. The views from the top in winter can be really lovely. If it's icy, crampons or microspikes and poles may be necessary. Difficult hike, moderate pace, approx. 6 miles round trip, 2500' elevation gain. Contact leader by 3/1. Sheri Larsen, 878-6828 or [larsen007@aol.com](mailto:larsen007@aol.com)

3/4 (Sun) **Butler Lodge** From the Stevensville trailhead we'll follow Butler Lodge Trail to Butler Lodge. If we're ambitious, we may continue up the Wampahoofus Trail to the Forehead of Mt. Mansfield. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 3.6 miles, 1500' elevation gain. Group limit 10. Contact leader by 3/2. David Hathaway, 899-9982 or [david.hathaway.78@gmail.com](mailto:david.hathaway.78@gmail.com)

3/10 (Sat) **Hedgehog Brook Trail to Burnt Rock Mountain** We'll head up the Hedgehog Brook Trail to Burnt Rock Mountain and its expansive views. This is a 4-5 hour trip. Moderate terrain, moderate pace, 5.2 miles, 2100' elevation gain. E-mail leader by 3/8. Darryl Smith, [dsmith.vt.us@gmail.com](mailto:dsmith.vt.us@gmail.com)

3/11 (Sun) **Camels Hump Snowshoe** Up and down the Burrows Trail with crisp clear views for miles. Difficult hike, moderate pace, 7 miles, 2400' elevation gain. Group limit 10. Contact leader for meeting time and place. Kathy Adams, 399-8687 or [hikeradams@hotmail.com](mailto:hikeradams@hotmail.com)

3/17 (Sat) **Mt Hunger and The Reservoir** Snowshoe up this smooth white carpeted rocky trail like it was just an easy stroll. Return via a visit to Waterbury Reservoir. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 4.4 miles, 2500' elevation gain. Group limit 10. Contact leader for meeting time and place. Phil Hazen, 355-7181 or [philhazen@comcast.net](mailto:philhazen@comcast.net)

3/18 (Sun) **Butler Lodge, Wampahoofus, Maple Ridge Loop** We will snowshoe from the Stevensville trailhead near Underhill Center to Butler Lodge on the south side of Mt. Mansfield. From Butler Lodge we'll climb the Maple Ridge on the Wampahoofus Trail and then descend via the Maple Ridge and Frost Trails. This snowshoe trip features an interesting, little-used trail on Mt. Mansfield and outstanding views from the ridge. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 5.1 miles, 2200' elevation gain. Contact leader in advance. Peter Cottrell, 879-0755 or [pcottrel@myfairpoint.net](mailto:pcottrel@myfairpoint.net)

3/24 (Sat) **Stowe Pinnacle** This is a relatively short but steep hike to a bald open summit which, on a clear day, offers views of the Green Mountains and the Worcester Range. Moderate, 2.8 miles. Group limit 8. Suzanne Daningburg, [suzannedaningburg@yahoo.ca](mailto:suzannedaningburg@yahoo.ca)

3/31 (Sat) **Easy Family Hike or Snowshoe** Goodbye Winter...Hello Spring! Bring your dogs and family and enjoy the views of Lake Champlain framed by the Adirondack Mountains as we ring in a new season. Easy hike, easy pace, 2.1 miles, 871' elevation gain. Group limit 10 people, 4 dogs. Contact leader by 3/28. Kelley Christie, 999-7839 or [kelleymchristie@gmail.com](mailto:kelleymchristie@gmail.com)

#### April 2012

4/7 (Sat) **Bamforth Ridge Bushwhack** We'll start on Duxbury Road and explore an area on the northeast slope that abounds with huge boulders and interesting rock formations as well as cave-like crawls between boulders. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 4 miles, 700' elevation gain. Contact leader by 4/6. Darryl Smith, 522-2516 or [dsmith.vt.us@gmail.com](mailto:dsmith.vt.us@gmail.com)

4/8 (Sun) **Camels Hump via Forest City, Long, Monroe and Dean Trails (Dogs Welcome)** We'll summit Camels Hump by way of the Forest City Trail and Long Trail. We'll make our way back down the Monroe Trail and cut over the Dean Trail to return on the Forest City Trail. Difficult with moderate pace, 8.9 miles, 2200' elevation gain. Group limit 5. Contact Ted Albers at [ted@ted-albers.net](mailto:ted@ted-albers.net)

**April 2012 – cont.**

4/13 (Fri) **Short Clips of Great Trips** DoubleTree Hotel, 1117 Williston Road, South Burlington. See details on page 4. **EVERYONE WELCOME!!**

4/14 (Sat) **Snake Mountain** Our winter hike of Snake Mountain didn't work out so we'll try it again in early spring. There may be some early wild flowers blooming. We'll follow a trail to the top where there is an old hotel site with an interesting history, and an excellent view of the Champlain Valley. We may be able to see the new Champlain Bridge. We'll go back down by an old carriage road. Easy to moderate, slow pace, about 3.5 miles, 900' ascent. Dot Myer, 863-2433 or dotmyer@myfairpoint.net

4/15 (Sun) **Tax Day Ride** File early so you can join me on my favorite early season loop between Vergennes and Middlebury with lunch in Middlebury. We'll set a relaxed pace with time to breathe in the splendor of spring in the Champlain Valley. Distance: 25 mi. Moderate with some good hills. Group limit: 10. Mary Lou Recor, 660-2834, mlrecor@myfairpoint.net

4/21 (Sat) **Map & Compass Workshop** Learn the basics of reading a map and using a compass to get from Point A to Point B. We will then do a little hike and bushwhack near Colchester Pond to test our skills. Moderate, 5 miles. Group limit 10. Please call for details. Phil Hazen, 355-7181 or philhazen@comcast.net

4/28 (Sat) **Wildflower Hike at Niquette Bay State Park** We'll hike the trails on the perimeter of Niquette Bay State Park while looking for early spring wildflowers. Easy hike, moderate pace, 3.5 miles, relatively gentle ups/downs and stairs. Group limit 15. Contact leader by 4/26. Sheri Larsen, 878-6828 or [larsen007@aol.com](mailto:larsen007@aol.com)

4/29 (Sun) **Mobbs Farm – Kid-Friendly, Dog-Friendly** Bring your kids and dogs and let's walk through Mobbs to see early signs of spring. Bring lunch to enjoy at the riverside "beach". Easy with easy pace, approx. 3 miles, rolling hills. Limit 3 dogs. Contact leader by 4/28. Kelley Christie, 999-7839 or [kelleymchristie@gmail.com](mailto:kelleymchristie@gmail.com)

**May 2012**

5/5 (Sat) **Spring Trail Work** Spring trail work to clear the Long Trail, Rt. 2 to Bolton Notch Rd. Bring work gloves, lunch, water. Tools provided or bring your own. Meet at UVM visitors' lot at 8am or Richmond Park & Ride (Exit 11) at 8:30am. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 5 miles, 1000' elevation gain. Pam Gillis and John Sharp, 879-1457, 862-3941 or gillis1986@gmail.com

5/6 (Sun) **Bamforth Ridge Northeast Slope Bushwhack** Starting from Duxbury Road, the first two miles will climb slowly, meandering through mature forest and around huge boulders. The last half-mile is quite steep, finishing with an awesome view. Moderate to difficult terrain, moderate pace, 6 miles, 1600' elevation gain. Contact leader by 5/5. Darryl Smith, 522-2516 or dsmith.vt.us@gmail.com

5/8 (Tues) **Bird Walk** Birds that wintered in the Carolinas, Florida, Texas, Mexico and South America are heading back to Vermont! We'll take a leisurely walk (+/- 4 miles) to watch songbirds singing, defending territories, courting, and maybe even gathering nesting material. Contact leader by Sunday 5/6. Maeve Kim, 899-4327 or maevulus@surglobal.net

5/12 (Sat) **Spring Trail Work** Spring trail work to clear the Long Trail (and some side trails). Bring work gloves, lunch, water. Tools provided or bring your own. Meet at UVM visitors' lot at 8am or Richmond Park & Ride (Exit 11) at 8:30am. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 4-10 miles, 2000' elevation gain. Pam Gillis and John Sharp, 879-1457, 862-3941 or gillis1986@gmail.com

5/13 (Sun) **Apple Blossom Ride in the Champlain Islands** Depending on what kind of spring we have, this may turn out to be the Apple Bud Ride – but it will still be beautiful. We'll maintain a relaxed pace as we pedal from South to North Hero and back with lunch at Hero's Welcome. 40 miles, moderate with few hills. Group limit 10. Mary Lou Recor, 660-2834, mlrecor@myfairpoint.net

5/19 (Sat) **Spring Trail Work** Spring trail work to clear the Long Trail (and some side trails). Bring work gloves, lunch, water. Tools provided or bring your own. Meet at UVM visitors' lot at 8am or Richmond Park & Ride (Exit 11) at 8:30am. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 4-10 miles, 2000' elevation gain. Pam Gillis and John Sharp, 879-1457, 862-3941 or gillis1986@gmail.com

5/20 (Sun) **Mad River Glen** The Long Trail and its side trails need to dry out through Memorial Day weekend, so we will hike up the easy ski trails of Mad River Glen. Lunch at Starks Nest patrol hut at the top of the single chair. Moderate hike at a moderate pace, approx. 5 miles, elevation gain approximately 2,000'. Call leader by Friday, May 18 for information and to sign up. Russ Kinaman, 879-6666.

### **May 2012 - cont.**

5/26 (Sat) **Spring Trail Work** Spring trail work to clear the Long Trail (and some side trails). Bring work gloves, lunch, water. Tools provided or bring your own. Meet at UVM visitors' lot at 8am or Richmond Park & Ride (Exit 11) at 8:30am. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 4-10 miles, 2000' elevation gain. Pam Gillis and John Sharp, 879-1457, 862-3941 or gillis1986@gmail.com

5/27 (Sun) **Green River Reservoir** We'll paddle around the islands and shores of the Green River Reservoir, looking out for loons, kingfishers, beaver dams, and more. Moderate, about 10 miles. Group limit 8. Contact leader by Friday 5/25. David Hathaway, 899-9982 or David.Hathaway.78@gmail.com

5/28 (Mon) **Snake Mountain – Family-Friendly** Easy hike up Snake Mountain. Come along to get the hiking season started. Comfortable trail consisting of old logging road. Great views of lake and Adirondacks from the summit, where one can still find signs of the hotel once located there. Easy hike, leisurely pace, 3.6 miles round trip, 900' elevation gain. Wolfgang Hokenmaier, 862 5302 or hogges@gmx.net

### **June 2012**

6/2 (Sat) **National Trails Day Work Hike** Clear the Long Trail for summer hiking season. Bring work gloves, lunch, water. Tools provided or bring your own. Meet at UVM visitors' lot at 8am or Richmond Park & Ride (Exit 11) at 8:30am. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 5-10 miles, 2000' elevation gain. Pam Gillis and John Sharp, 879-1457, 862-3941 or gillis1986@gmail.com

6/3 (Sun) **Bike Ride** We'll meet at my house in Jonesville for a moderate ride of approx. 21 miles. The ride is on paved roads which include Duxbury Road, Route 2 and Cochran Road. Call leader for directions, Carlene Squires, 434-2533.

6/9 (Sat) **Mt. Ethan Allen** We'll hike on the Forest City Trail and Long Trail. 5 miles round trip, moderate pace, 1900' elevation gain. Contact Lee Wrigley, 318-6281 or leewrigley@myfairpoint.net

6/10 (Sun) **Honey Hollow Botany Walk** We'll try to identify all the June wildflowers, ferns, and fungi, while moving along at a decent pace. (We'll identify the flora but not "stop to smell them" too much.) Moderate hike, moderate pace, 5 miles, 1000' elevation gain. Group limit 15. Contact leader by June 8. Richard Larsen, 878-6828 or larsen007@aol.com

6/16 (Sat) **Sterling Pond** We will hike up from Route 108 in Smugglers Notch to Sterling Pond and have lunch at a scenic overlook facing Mt. Mansfield. Moderate hike, moderate pace, 4 miles round trip; 1000' elevation gain. Call leader by Thursday, June 14 for information and to sign up. Russ Kinaman, 879-6666.

6/17 (Sun) **Worcester Range - Skyline Trail** We'll climb the Middlesex Trail to the summit of Mt. Hunger, then follow the Skyline Trail to Mt. Worcester, returning on the Worcester Mt. Trail. Difficult hike, moderate pace, 11 miles, 3000' elevation gain. Contact leader by Friday 6/15. David Hathaway, 899-9982 or david.hathaway.78@gmail.com

6/23 (Sat) **Breadloaf Wilderness Loop** We'll head up the Cooley Glen Trail to the Long Trail, then south through Breadloaf Wilderness Area before returning on the Emily Proctor Trail. Moderate hike, **strong pace** (1.5 mph average), 11.2 miles, 3700' elevation gain. Contact leader by 6/22. Darryl Smith, 522-2516 or dsmith.vt.us@gmail.com

6/24 (Sun) **Taylor Lodge via Lake Mansfield Trail – Kid-Friendly, Dog-Friendly** An easy hike up to Taylor Lodge where we'll enjoy a snack break. We'll look for beavers at the beaver pond, identify wildflowers, listen for frogs, and try to spy some brightly colored newts. Easy with easy pace, 3.0 miles, 750' elevation gain. Limit 3 dogs. Contact leader by 6/23. Kelley Christie, 999-7839 or [kelleymchristie@gmail.com](mailto:kelleymchristie@gmail.com)

6/30 (Sat) **Manfield's Forehead** We'll head up Frost and Maple Ridge, and Long Trails. We'll come down Long Trail to Butler Lodge then down the Butler Lodge Trail. Difficult, 5.5 miles. Contact Lee Wrigley, 318-6281 or leewrigley@myfairpoint.net