



**TREKABOUT HIKING CLUB -December 2025**

Tuesday hikes **8:00am – 9:00am** - Thursday hikes **8:00am – 10:00am**

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

**HIKING BOOTS RECOMENDED - CARRY WATER - DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH**

**Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**“Goldwater Lake trail 396 from Senator highway”** This trail leaves from the parking area for trails 62 and 299. This is a gentle trail through the forest from Senator Highway winding down to Goldwater Lake.

Level: 2

*Directions:* From Gurley Street, take Mt. Vernon Street (turns into Senator Highway). The trailhead is on the left about ½ mile past the entrance to Goldwater Lake. This is the same parking area that is used for trails 62 and 299. (1 hour)

**Sponsoring Organization: Yavapai Trails Association**

**Leader: Lisa**

**Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

**“PIGLET” Loop** hike is 3.9 miles. The hike begins north of the parking area. Includes trail 328. Lots of bends and ups and downs, not too steep, easy to moderate. Great views, Thumb Butte, San Francisco Peaks, Granite Mountain. (2-hours)

Level: 2

*Directions:* Take Gurley Street 3.4 miles to Thumb Butte parking area. **USFS Fee area \$5**

**Sponsoring Organization: Natural History Institute**

**Leader: Jennie**

**Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

**“Hobbit Trail”** – Trail starts by old Hwy 89A past the Pinion Pines & 3 Sisters Consignment near the bridge. The trail starts out in a Riparian area with a steep downhill descent to a wooded area in grasslands with scenic views of the Dells & Glassford.

Level: 1.5

*Directions:* Take Hwy 89 past 2701 E Old Us Highway 89A, “old Pinion Pines” by 3 Sisters Consignment and park along the roadside by 89a bridge. (1 hour)

**Sponsoring Organization: ALL**

**Leader: Carl**

**Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**



**Natural History Institute to host HOLIDAY Hike & Potluck**

Trekabout members, we will be meeting at the Natural History Institute – 126 N. Marina Street at 8:00AM. Feel free to bring your potluck item to this location. Trekabout leader and Executive Director of the Natural History Institute will be hosting this year’s Trekabout Potluck at the NHI. Mark your calendar!

**Sponsoring Organization: Natural History Institute**

**Leader: Jennie**

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**Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

**“Peavine North Trail/Side Rd – Flat, gravel surface that follows the old Santa Fe railroad line.**

Level: 1

***Directions:** From Highway 89, turn east on Pioneer Parkway/ 89A, and then get off highway at Granite Dells Parkway. Turn onto Centerpointe East then right onto Side Road to parking area. (1+hour)*

***Sponsoring Organization:** City of Prescott*

***Leader:** Sam*

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**Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

**“Longview Trail- NEW PARKING AREA”** - Part of the Circle Trail. Link from Pioneer Park to Williamson Valley Rd Great views of Granite Mountain and peaks through the Grasslands. Enjoy starting and ending at the new Pioneer Parkway Trailhead parking location. Restrooms and over 30 parking spaces.

Level: 1

***Directions:** The new trailhead parking area is located about one mile east of the Pioneer Parkway and Williamson Valley Road intersection, or at the GPS coordinates 34.61069, -112.4811. (2 hours)*

***Sponsoring Organization:** ALL*

***Leader:** Carl*

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**Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**“East Bay Loops”**– This trail explores the Dells on the east shore of Willow Lake. Much of this trail is on flat ground on the East end of Willow Lake. As you get closer to the dam the hike enters the granite formation of the dells and becomes more technical with some climbing on granite boulders.

Level: 3

***Directions:** Park in dirt pullout on Willow Lake Rd., west of Prescott Lakes Parkway across the road from Britni Rd. (1 hour)*

***Sponsoring Organization:** City of Prescott*

***Leader:** Jenny C./Sam*

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**Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

**NO HIKE – HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

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**Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**

**“Granite Gardens Trails”**– This is a short but very interesting hike in the Dells. There is some technical hiking over the granite on a short section of this hike. There is also a very tight squeeze through a short tunnel/overhang. There are some very pretty views of the Dells along this hike.

Level: 3

***Directions:** Heading north on highway 89 go through the roundabout at Watson Lake Park. Go past Granite Dells Road and the next road, make a right. Go along dirt road to large parking area just before the creek. We will meet in the parking lot. The approach to the dirt parking lot is on an unmaintained county road and low clearance vehicles are not recommended. To carpool, meet at Watson Lake Park and carpool from that location. There is no fee for parking at the trailhead, however, if you carpool from Watson Lake Park you will be in a C.O.P Fee Area (1 hour)*

***Sponsoring Organization:** City of Prescott*

***Leader:** Sam/Happy O*

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***Please call Recreation Services at 928-777-1121 ext 4502 if you have any questions.***

*To join The Trekabout Hiking club you should type <https://prescottaz.recdesk.com/Community/Home> into an internet browser. Create your user account (one time), choose Trekabout (under Membership tab), click enroll and fill out your annual health form, submit \$20 payment and done! Email: [sam.rice@prescott-az.gov](mailto:sam.rice@prescott-az.gov) if you have any questions. In the case of weather, the hike will be cancelled. You can check the City of Prescott Recreation Services Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/prescottrecreation/> for updates.*