



## **TREKABOUT WALKING CLUB – APRIL 2008**

**Tuesday walks 8:00am-9:00am ● Thursday walks 8:00am – 10:00am**

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

***HIKING BOOTS REQUIRED ● CARRY WATER ● DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH***

### **Tuesday, April 1**

**“Thumb Butte Trail”** – Steep grades on gravel, dirt and paved trail.

*Level: 3*

*Directions:* Go west on Gurley Street (turns into Thumb Butte Road) until you enter Thumb Butte Park. Parking on the right. Fee Area. To carpool, park at the bowling alley, and meet at least 15 minutes prior to the hike.

*Sponsoring Organization:* YCCHS

*Leader:* Sharmel

### **Thursday, April 3**

**“Woodchute Mt. Trail”** - Gradual incline and beautiful views to the east of the Verde Valley and to the west of Lonesome Valley and the Bradshaws.

*Level: 3*

*Directions:* Meet at the North Peavine Trailhead on Side road off of Highway 89A at least 30 minutes before the hike. We will carpool to the trailhead. Trailhead is near Potato Patch campground on Mingus Mountain.

parking area.

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*Leader:* Sharmel

### **Tuesday, April 8**

**“Miller Creek Trail”** Trail climbs to Sierra Prieta Ridge. Nice views of Granite Mountain.

*Level: 3.5*

*Directions:* Drive west on Gurley Street (eventually turns into Thumb Butte Road). Travel 1.7 miles past the Thumb Butte Picnic Area to a junction. At the junction, turn left toward Copper Basin View Point. Continue .6 mile to parking area on right (100 yards south of where Miller Creek crosses the road).

*Sponsoring Organization:* Parks and Rec.

*Leader:* Libby

### **Thursday, April 10**

**“Thumb Butte #318 Chimney Loop”** - Ascend Trail #318, then turn right to descend to the "chimney" before climbing back up to Thumb Butte Park. Steep, winding trail through the forest. Be prepared for water crossings.

*Level: 4*

*Directions:* Go west on Gurley Street (turns into Thumb Butte Road) until you enter Thumb Butte Park. Parking on the right. Fee Area. To carpool, park at the bowling alley.

*Sponsoring Organization:* Parks and Rec

*Leader:* Libby

### **Tuesday, April 15**

**“Watershed #299”** – A steep dirt trail with beautiful views and pines. All levels can hike it if they pace themselves. We will go out and back.

*Level:* 4

*Directions:* Turn south on Senator Highway and go approximately ½ mile past Goldwater Lake. Turn left across highway and park. Trailhead on north end.

*Sponsoring Organization:* Parks and Rec.

*Leader:* Norma

### **Thursday, April 17**

**“Trail #62”** – Gradual incline and beautiful views on dirt trail. Fairly steep with loose gravel in places.

*Level:* 3.5 - 4

*Directions:* Go south on Walker Road at Lynx Lake turn-off. Go ½ mile to Prescott National Forest sign (not as far as Lynx Creek Ruin) and turn right on dirt road to Trail 62 sign. Veer left to parking area. Fee Area: To carpool, meet on east side of Petsmart (by PriceCostco).

*Sponsoring Organization:* Parks and Rec.

*Leader:* Norma

### **Tuesday, April 22**

**“Peavine Trail (Watson Woods)”** – Flat, gravel surface that follows the old Santa Fe railroad line.

*Level:* 1

*Directions:* From Highway 89, turn east on Prescott Parkway, then north on Sundog Ranch Road. Turn left into a marked parking area just before the transfer station.

*Sponsoring Organization:* YMCA

*Leader:* Fran/Cathy

### **Thursday April 24**

**“Senator Highway Loop plus”** – Dirt trail leading down from Senator Highway to School House, then back up again on the north side of upper and lower Goldwater Lakes. With some side trails thrown in to make it a 2 hour!!! Sounds beautiful!!!

*Level:* 3

*Directions:* Take S. Mt. Vernon (turns into Senator Highway) just under 4 miles, heading towards Goldwater Lake. Before you reach the Lake entrance, pull over on the right side into a dirt parking area. Right next to the parking area is a brown sign that says, “Goldwater Lake next right”.

*Sponsoring Organization:* YMCA.

*Leader:* Fran/Cathy

### **Tuesday April 29**

**“Mint Wash from the Boat Ramp”** – Trail descends Mint Wash from the dam at Granite Basin Lake. Some short, steep rocky sections and multiple creek crossing on rocks. Out and back.

*Level:* 3.5

*Directions:* Take Iron Springs Road West and turn right at the Granite Basin Lake Road. Follow directions to lake; turn right at the “Boat Ramp” sign and park in front of the lake. Fee Area. To carpool, meet at the intersection of Iron Springs and Granite basin road turnoff.

*Sponsoring Organization:* YCCHS

*Leader:* Sharmel

*Call YMCA at 445-7221 if weather or conditions are questionable*