

TAM WORK PARTIES & EVENTS

Saturday, May 7—Green Up Day
 TAM Trail Heads' spruce up. Meet at Wright Park parking lot at 8:00 am. Green-Up bags and gloves provided. Led by MALT Staff.
Sunday, May 22—Neighborhood Spring Clean-Up & Green Up in Otter View Park

Pull weeds, mulch, and tidy the garden beds. Help renovate the native plantings. Light trail work. Bring your own snippers, trowels, rakes and buckets. Meet at OVP at 1:00 pm.

Saturday, June 4—National Trails Day
 Work on graveling wet areas, bridge repair, or clearing trail. 9:00 am– 12 noon. Call for location. 388-1007.

September 16 and 25— United Way Day of Caring
 Work Project on the TAM. Sign up at www.unitedwayaddisoncounty.org



TAM Trek
Sunday, September 25 at 10:00 am
 MALT's Eighth Annual Trail Around Middlebury Hike-Run-Bike-a-Thon, to benefit trail maintenance and improvement activities. Hike a little or a lot, every step makes a difference! Meet at the Marbleworks' Green across from Noonies. For event registration materials go to MALT's website: www.maltvt.org.



Please support our locally-owned, small-business Hikes and Outings sponsors!



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OTTER CREEK YOGA

Classes for All Ages and Abilities
 Beginners Welcome!

Otter Creek Yoga is located in the Marble Works, next to the Marble Works Pharmacy

MALT's Hikes and Outings Series is Co-Sponsored by these non-profit organizations:

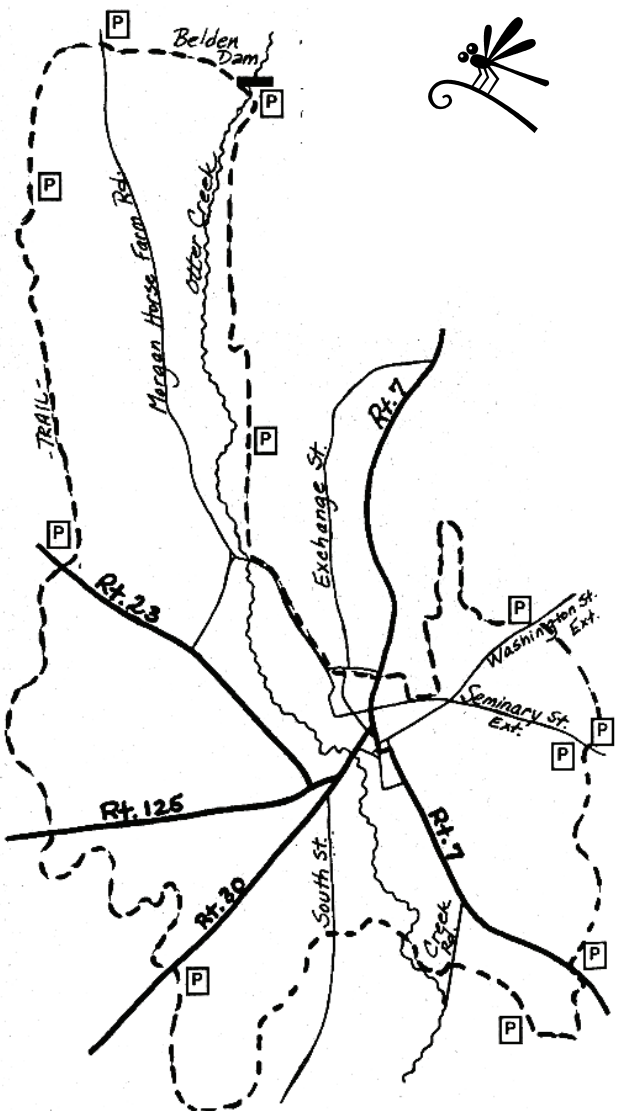
Otter Creek Audubon Society
South Lake Champlain Trust

TAM Maps are available at our website or stop by the office to pick up a copy.

Please call MALT with questions regarding the hikes and outings. 802-388-1007

The Trail Around Middlebury (TAM) was designed and is maintained by member supported:

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 Conserving Land for Our Community's Future



Middlebury Area

Land Trust's



Hikes and Outings

on the
Trail Around Middlebury
 and
Conserved Lands

April to October 2011

Join us for educational and informative outings April through October

Excursions feature different sections of the Trail Around Middlebury (TAM) and other conserved lands. Hikes are led by enthusiastic naturalist educators and volunteers and feature a variety of habitats, natural areas, and wildlife.

Many of our events are collaborations with other conservation organizations. We are truly grateful to these groups that are doing excellent environmental work in Addison County and beyond!

Families are especially encouraged to join in on the outings. Come outside and explore these natural areas and their inhabitants with knowledgeable and engaging leaders.

Participants meet at listed locations.

Most hikes return to the starting point via a loop or retracing of the original path.

Hikes will be approximately two and

one half hours in length and easy to moderate in difficulty. We will take time to learn and explore as we go. **Please, no pets!**

NOTES

- ★ All hikes are free and open to the public, a \$5 suggested donation is appreciated.
- ★ Participants are encouraged to wear sturdy foot gear. All walks and hikes traverse various terrain and trail conditions may vary based on the weather.
- ★ Hikes take place rain or shine. Approximate length of each hike is two miles.
- ★ These are hiking trails, not paved walkways and are not recommended for strollers.



H I K E S & O U T I N G S

F orays with Frost

Saturday, April 23 at 9 am

Led by Nola Kevera, *Nola's Secret Garden*.

Learn about Robert Frost's poems as you hike the area around his Ripton cabin. This will be about 5 miles, and moderate terrain. Some healthy and locally grown snacks will be provided. This program starts at a private residence; please call the MALT office for directions. 388-1007.



W etland Plants

Saturday, June 25 at 10 am

Led by Shelley Gustafson, *Consulting Wetland Scientist, Shelley Gustafson Environmental*

Visit one of MALT's new conservation easement properties in Cornwall. This gorgeous land is part of the Beaver Brook watershed and is home to a varied abundance of wild animals and plants. This program takes place at a private residence. Please call MALT office for directions. 388-1007.

In collaboration with:



OTTER CREEK AUDUBON SOCIETY
A Vermont Chapter of the National Audubon Society

W arbler Warmup

Sunday, May 8 at 7:30am

Ron Payne and Warren King will lead a search for newly arrived spring migrants. Hone your birding identification skills before leaf-out. Also co-sponsored by The Watershed Center. Meet at the Bristol Waterworks, Plank Road east of North Street, Bristol. Call Warren at 388-4082 if in doubt about the weather.

F amily Bird Quest

Saturday, July 9 at 10 am

Led by Carol Ramsayer, *Otter Creek Audubon Society member*. Join us as we explore this self-guided scavenger hunt about birds in Wright Park. Quests are place-based educational programs using treasure hunts to celebrate community, natural history, cultural sites, stories and special places. Meet at Wright Park lot north of Pulp Mill Bridge on Seymour St. Ext.

C onstruction by Castor canadensis.

Saturday, August 20 or 27 (TBA)

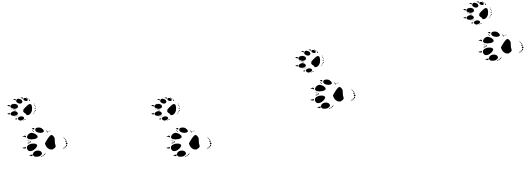
Led by Nola Kevera, *Nola's Secret Garden*.

An off trail hike to a beaver pond in Ripton. Come see the wonderful skills that beavers use to modify their environment, and make homes for many animals. Easy, flat hike, distance can change to suit hikers. This program starts at a private residence; please call the office for directions. 388-1007.

F orest Birds QUEST

May 1—October 31, 2010.

Self-guided, walking adventure focusing on birds and their habitats. Ends with the discovery of a treasure box! A set of clues and site map are located at the trailhead. Particularly appropriate for young families. Wright Park is located at the end of Seymour Street Extension, turn north just before the Pulp Mill covered bridge in Middlebury.



H ike Through History

Saturday, September 10 at 9 am

Led by Merle Schloff. In conjunction with

Vermont Archaeology Month. Explore Salisbury Mills 19th century industrial site along the Leicester River. Discover evidence of old iron forge, spool company and former wood pulp business. Great exploration for families with elementary ages children. Meet at Farwell Forest parking lot on West Shore Rd. in Salisbury.

B icycle Tour of MALT

Saturday, October 1 at 9 am

Led by David Hallam, *Member and volunteer of MALT*. Take a 20-25 mile bike ride around the scenic Middlebury area, and visit many of our conserved properties. There will be plenty of small breaks. Rain date will be Saturday, October 8. Pre-registration required, call MALT office for meeting place 388-1007.

W ildlife Walks

Meet at 7:30 am

alternate Thursdays or Saturdays in the second week of each month

Otter Creek Audubon Society and Middlebury Area Land Trust invite community members to help us survey birds and other wildlife of the marshes and meadows of Otter View Park and the Hurd Grassland. Shorter and longer route options possible. Otter View Park's main trail and board walk are ADA accessible. Meet at Otter View Park at the corner of Weybridge Street and Pulp Mill Bridge Road.

Thursday, July 14	Saturday, August 13
Thursday, May 12	Thursday, Sept 8
Thursday, June 11	Thursday, Oct 8