Hikes and Outings on the Trail Around Middlebury and Conserved Lands

April to October 2012

Middlebury Area Land Trust's

TAM WORK PARTIES & EVENTS

Saturday, May 5—Green Up Day
TAM Trail Heads’ spruce up. Meet at Wright Park parking lot at 9 am. Green Up bags and gloves provided. Led by MALT staff.

Saturday, May 5—Neighborhood Spring Clean-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 9 am.

Saturday, June 2—National Trails Day
Work on graveling wet areas, bridge repair, or clearing trail. 9:00 am–12 noon. Call for location, 388-1007, or check website.

United Way Day of Caring TBA
Work Project on the TAM. Sign up at www.unitedwayaddisoncounty.org

TAM Trek
Sunday, September 23 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!

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

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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
In collaboration with:

Believer Tour
Benjamin Elton Capps, cellist,
performing works by J.S. Bach, C.A. Piatti, E. Premo, and B. Britten.
May 25, Edgewater Gallery, Middlebury, 7:30pm.

Sunsnowshoeing in Ripton
Saturday, Feb 25 at 9:30 am
Led by Nola Kevra, Nola’s Secret Garden.
The Winter of our Discontent, or Winter of Ingenuity? This will be about 5 miles, and moderate terrain. Some healthy and locally grown snacks will be provided. Call the MALT office for directions.

People and Nature in Middlebury
Saturday, April 14 at 10 am
Led by Charlie Hohn, graduate UVM Field Naturalist program, ecologist with VT Dept of Fish and Wildlife. Join us on an exploration of Middlebury and Chipman Hill. We will look for nature hiding in the most unexpected places - right in the Town of Middlebury. Then, we will ascend Chipman Hill and learn about how Vermont's forests have adapted to past and present human presence on the land. This walk will involve unstructured exploring and anyone is welcome, but the ascent up Chipman Hill is moderately steep and may be difficult.

Monarchs Larva Monitoring Program Training
Saturday, May 19th 10am—3pm
Led by Wendy Mieczewsky, Monarch Larva Monitoring Program, University of Minnesota, in conjunction with Otter Creek Audubon Society. Learn about the amazing life of the monarch and the citizen-science effort to collect long-term data on larval monarch populations and milkweed habitat. Participants of all ages will enjoy the program and can take part in the on-going effort. The event will begin in the Isley Library meeting room and later move to an outdoor location. Pre-registration is recommended, but not required. (Please bring a bag lunch.)

Paddle on the Creek
August, Date TBA
Led by Emma Loizeaux, MALT summer staff and wilderness educator
Come paddle your canoe or kayak with us on a section of Otter Creek and learn about various wilderness and environmental topics.

Spotlight on Wright Park
Quest Walk
Saturday, July 7 at 10 am
Led by Carol Ramsayer, Otter Creek Audubon Society member. Arrive any time between 10:00 and 11:15. A Quest is a self-guided discovery walk, and today local naturalists will be stationed along the trail, providing extra insights into Wright Park's treasures. Family-friendly, but not appropriate for strollers. Begin at Wright Park lot north of Pulp Mill Covered Bridge on Seymour St. Ext. 989-7115.

Primitive Skills Hike
Saturday, July 28 at 9am
Led by Mo Bissinette, MALT camp counselor and wilderness educator
How did humans survive thousands of years ago? And for that matter, how do animals survive in the wild today? Join us as we learn bird language, and to track and move like animals. Meet at Otter Creek Gorge Preserve on Morgan Horse Farm Rd.

Wildlife 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 Hard 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.
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