



## TREKABOUT HIKING CLUB –July 2025

Tuesday hikes **7:00am – 8:00am** ● Thursday hikes **7:00am – 9:00am**

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PLEASE NOTE SUMMER HOURS
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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, July 1

**“Community Nature Center”**- This is a very easy trail! Lovely hike around the community nature center, with good views of Granite Mountain and downtown Prescott. Interpretive signs for plant identification.

Level: 1

**Directions:** Take Iron Springs Road to Williamson Valley Rd, go past the school track and take an immediate right, drive up into the parking area and the Community Nature Center is on the left-hand side. (1 hour)

**Sponsoring Organization:** City of Prescott

**Leader: Sam**

### Thursday, July 1

**“Noodle to Willy Nilly** - out and back with ups and downs through pines, a Willow Creek crossing, and a stop at Wally’s Rest.

Level: 3

**Directions:** Drive Northwest out of Prescott on Iron Springs Road to Spence Springs Road on the left past the entrance to Granite Basin. Parking is not far on the left after the turn.

**Sponsoring Organization:** OTHG

**Leader: Andre**

### Tuesday, July 8

**“NEW-Silverback Trail”** – Trail starts by old Hwy 89A past the Pinion Pines & 3 Sisters Consignment near the bridge. The **Hobbit 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 on the way to the Silverback Trail.

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:** OTHG

**Leader: Andre**

### Thursday, July 10

**“Surprise Springs/Balancing Rock Loop - Granite Lake #350 Variation”** - Rolling trail, nice views, longer loop trail through Balancing Rock.

Level: 3

**Directions:** Take Iron Springs Road West and turn right at the Granite Basin Lake Road FR 374. Park at Wekuvde Day Use Area (before lake). **FEE AREA**. To carpool, meet at the intersection of Iron Springs and Granite Basin Road.

**Sponsoring Organization:** Natural History Institute

**Leader: Jennie**

### Tuesday, July 15

**“Butte Creek”**– Trail winds by the side of the Hassayampa golf course and development area. Rolling trail offers nice views of the golf course. Will be an out and back hike; fairly steep.

Level: 3

**Directions:** Go west on Gurley Street to Sherwood Drive, one block past the entrance to Hassayampa Village. Turn left on Sherwood and follow it until you see Stricklin Park on your left. Park along road and walk across the creek to the trailhead. (1 hour)

**Sponsoring Organization:** Natural History Institute

**Leader: Jennie**

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**Thursday, July 17**

**“Banning Creek from Senator Highway – trails #330, #81, and #396”** – Out and back to the pond on Banning Creek. This is a fairly steep hike from Senator Highway down into Banning Creek. The trail is rocky in places. The trail is mostly in Ponderosa Pine down to Banning Creek. Some riparian vegetation along Banning Creek.

Level: 3.5

**Directions:** Take Mt. Vernon south (turns into Senator Hwy) 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”. (2 hours)

**Sponsoring Organization:**

**Leader: Carl**

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**Tuesday, July 22**

**“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:**

**Leader: Carl**

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**Thursday, July 24**

**“Spruce Mountain Loop”** – Pretty trail with a mix of single track and a little used Forest Road, undulating through the pines and crossing Wolf Creek twice. Follows trail #307 north up to the power lines then cuts off on FR78 back to #307 on the south side.

Level: 2 - 3

**Directions:** Turn south on Senator Highway and go approximately 6.5 miles to Groom Creek Horse Camp. Park at the #307 trailhead on the left. (2 hours)

**Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS**

**Leader: Sharmel**

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**Tuesday, July 29**

**"Wolverton" #9415** – Out and back on single track trail with great views of Prescott. Longer option available for those who are interested.

Level: 3

**Directions:** Go out White Spar Road about 2 miles past Safeway. Turn left into White Spar campground and immediately park on the right. (1 or 2 hours)

**Sponsoring Organization: YCCHS**

**Leader: Sharmel**

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**Thursday, July 31**

**“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. (2 hours)

**Sponsoring Organization: City of Prescott**

**Leader: Sam/Jessica**

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

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