

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - Winter 2008

Pull and post this section of the Friends of the Blue Hills Newsletter and join us for some exciting events in the Blue Hills Reservation!

Sunday, January 6, 10:00 am

Ponkapoag Pond Hike

FBH joint hike with AMC. X-C ski or hike if no snow 6 miles around pond. 5 hours. Meet at Ponkapoag Golf Course. Leader: Steve Olanoff, 781-326-6585.



Saturday, February 16, 2:00 pm

Winter Deer Discovery

White-tailed deer are becoming common in the reservation but are rarely seen. Join a DCR Ranger to hunt for signs of deer. For ages 8 and up. 1.5 hours. Call 617-698-1802 x 302 to register.

Sunday, February 17, 10:00 am

Chickatawbut Section Hike

FBH joint hike with AMC. X-C ski 6 miles in the most remote area of the Blue Hills or hike if no snow. 5 hours. Meet at Shea Ice Rink. Leader: Steve Olanoff, 781-326-6585.



Sunday, January 13, 1:00 pm

Bigfoot Stomp: A Snowshoe Hike

Did you just get a new pair of snowshoes or looking to get a set? Join a DCR ranger and staff from the REI Outdoor School for a guided instructional romp through the snows of the Blue Hills. You'll learn the tips and tricks to getting around in the deep stuff. REI Outdoor School will also have 15 adult size snowshoes to loan. No experience is necessary! 1.5 hours. Call 617-698-1802 x212 for registration.

Saturday, January 19, 1:00 pm

Tracking in the Blue Hills

Where do animals go in the winter? Join a DCR ranger to look for tracks and other animal signs. 1.5 hours. Call 617-698-1802 x 302 for details.

Saturday, January 26, 10:00 am

Eastern Section Hike



FBH joint hike with AMC. X-C ski 6 miles over moderate terrain or hike in hilly areas if no snow. 5 hours. Meet at Shea Ice Rink. Leader: Steve Olanoff, 781-326-6585.

Saturday, February 2, 1:00 pm

Ground Hog Day Wildlife Safari

Will the groundhog see his shadow or does he really sleep all winter? Do ducks get cold feet? Unlock the mysteries of wildlife in winter on this seasonal outdoor safari with a DCR ranger. 1.5 hours. Meet at the Houghton's Pond main parking lot.

Saturday, February 9, 1:00 pm

Evergreens of Winter

Venture with a DCR ranger on a leisurely walk through stands of pine and hemlock, to look at the hardy trees, shrubs and ground covers that stay green throughout the winter. 1.5 hours. Meet at the Houghton's Pond main parking lot.

Saturday, March 8, 10:00 am - Houghton Section Hike



FBH joint hike with AMC. 7 mile hike on a variety of trails with several views and lunch atop Buck Hill. 6 hours. Meet at Houghton's Pond lot. Leader: Steve Olanoff, 781-326-6585.



“Clear Morning”, by David Kabatchnick, was a Runner-up in FBH's photo contest.

DCR Blue Hills Adult Walking Club

The DCR Blue Hills Adult Walking Club is a group of adults that meets on a weekly basis for recreational walks. The purpose of these walks is social exercise. There is no fee to join and everyone 16 or older is welcome. Walks are normally 2 - 5 miles with varying terrain. Call 617-727-4573 for details.