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SEM / AMC Silver Jubilee
25th Anniversary Annual Meeting
set for November 3rd in Halifax

SEM/AMC celebrates its 25th Anniversary this year, and something special is planned for the Annual Meeting to commemorate this milestone in our chapter's history. The meeting will be held on November 3 at the Monponsett Inn in Halifax. An invitation will be sent separately to all Chapter members.

In addition to the business meeting and election of new officers for the Executive Board, there will be a social hour and sit-down dinner, plus live music and dancing, and one or two surprises in our "Breezin' Through the Years" celebration.

Executive Board Nominations

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of nominees for the 2002 Chapter Executive Board. Members attending the Annual Meeting on Nov. 3 will be asked to vote on these nominees.

- **Chapter Chair**: Anne Chace
- **Vice Chair**: Bob Vogel
- **Treasurer**: Donna Desrochers
- **Secretary**: Barbara Vogel
- **Hiking Chair**: Erika Bloom
- **Cape Hikes Chair**: Janet DiMattia
- **Biking Chair**: Nancy Beach
- **Canoe/Kayak Chair**: Vacant
- **Skiing Chair**: Barbara Hathaway
- **Trails Chair**: Patrick Holland
- **Education Chair**: Steve Tulp
- **Conservation Chair**: Vicki Fitzgerald
- **Membership Chair**: Wayne Taylor
- **Communications**: Dick Carnes

(See p.2 for information on nominating procedures)

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View from the Chair by Dexter Robinson

I can hardly believe that my term as Chapter Chair is winding down, and I want to thank everyone who has assisted me with managing chapter affairs, particularly the Executive Boards of the past two years. Although my term must end in November, I will continue coordinating Spring Meeting 2002, an all-club event hosted by our chapter. The planning committee assisting me includes Erika Bloom, Dick Carnes, Anne Chace, Vicki Fitzgerald, and Wayne Taylor. More people will be needed to help particularly on the weekend of the event (April 26-28, 2002). The title of our weekend is "Cape Cod Caper." Stayed tuned for more details in upcoming issues of the Breeze and on the SEM / AMC website (www.amcsem.org).

Plans for the 25th Anniversary Meeting in November also are well underway. Thanks to Anne Chace for coordinating this special Annual Meeting that I understand will contain not a few surprises.

In mid-July, I took part in a car camping weekend for leaders. Although our numbers were few, we had a marvelous time, great weather, and were treated to wonderful meals cooked by each of the participants. We hiked the Smarts Brook trail to the summit of Sandwich Dome and swam in the cool brook. We also scrambled up Mt. Cardigan via the challenging Holt trail. It was great opportunity to share our most challenging leading experiences along with what we learned. We hope to do this event again next year and expand it to include leaders of other activities.

Conservation continues to be a major AMC focus. Chapter Chairs met in August for a retreat focusing on this topic, and I made a presentation on our efforts to protect Ames Nowell State Park and Myles Standish State Forest from the damage caused by illegal ORV riding. Executive Director Andy Falender reports that in June the AMC began taking an exhaustive look at state public land management in New England. AMC and other organizations spend a significant amount of time fighting "fires" to prevent mismanagement of our public lands. Andy says that the club would like to set "the bar high for state agencies that are entrusted with the responsibility of managing our forests and parks."

Andy also reported that, in June, Acting Governor Swift withdrew the proposed Greylock Center plan, a 1,063-acre resort development below Mount Greylock, the state's highest peak. The project was widely criticized as an inappropriate use of a valuable natural area. The State is considering some components of the proposal that include expanding recreational trails.

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Editor's Notebook

Tell us about your last great outdoors adventure ... Your comments and suggestions are always welcome, as are your contributions of articles, poetry, photography or anything else related to your AMC membership. If you're submitting something, please be respectful of our deadline, which is the 22nd of the month, two months prior to the publication date (e.g., Oct. 22 for the Dec./Jan./Feb. issue). The newsletter will publish submissions on a space-available basis. Call us at 508-252-6995 or drop an e-mail to wjtaylor@mediaone.net if you've got something you'd like to submit.

Mark Your Calendars ...

SOLO Wilderness First Aid Training
Sept 15-16 at Camp Lyndon, Sandwich, MA
Sixteen hours of instruction covering first aid in a wilderness setting where medical assistance isn't readily available. Learn to handle: Patient assessment, dislocations, sprains, fractures and shock. Learn how to improvise splints and evacuate a patient. And most important: learn preparedness and accident avoidance. SEM Hiking committee rules require current WFA certification for Class 2 and up leaders, and WFA certification needs to be renewed every two years.
Cost: $130 includes lodging Friday and Saturday nights (Cabins, BYO sleeping bags); deluxe group cooked meals Sat breakfast through Sun. lunch. Commuters: $110, includes 2 lunches. (Non-AMC members: $20 additional.) Space limited, please register ASAP.
For more information, or to register contact: Bob Vogel, 508-238-7732 rvogel@mediaone.net

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The Highland Fling!

2001 AMC Fall Gathering
October 19-21, 2001 at Graymoor Spiritual Life Center,
The Hudson Highlands on the Appalachian Trail
The New York-North Jersey Chapter extends a warm invitation to attend The Highland Fling. The weekend starts with a light supper available until the wee hours, schmoozing and socializing. Saturday's workshops and activities start at 8:30 am and continue until 4 pm, followed by "A Chat with Laurie and Andy." Happy Hour and a banquet offering international cuisine reflecting the ethnic diversity of our Chapter rounds off the evening. Scottish dancing for those with energy left.
Cost: $125/person (double room) from soup to haggis. Discount for campers.
For registration and info, visit: www.amc-ny.org/fall2001 or send SASE to Fran Braley, 31 Webutuck Road, Wingdale, NY 12594.

Become A Major Excursions Leader
Nov 30-Dec 2, Litchfield, CT
Visit some of the world's most exciting places as an AMC Major Excursions leader. This workshop provides training to enable you to lead the club's more complex and longer Major and Interchapter Excursions. Previous outdoor leadership training is highly desirable. Emphasis is on planning, cost estimating, trip management, people skills, and risk management. Includes procedures and guidelines for researching, proposing, and leading major excursions. Exchange ideas, problems, and solutions with some of the AMC's most skilled leaders. Small group size assures abundant discussion and access to instructors.
Cost: approx. $65, includes 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, and 1 dinner. We'll share space with CT Chapter Leadership Training, which is being conducted at the White Memorial Foundation in Litchfield, CT.
For registration and info, send SASE to Janet Taylor, 4 Trotting Horse Dr., Lexington, MA 02421. (781-862-1897, before 9 pm). Or email jtaylor@massed.net.

2002 Executive Board (from p. 1)
Nominating Procedures
Additional nominations may be made by any 10 members who specify their candidate for office. These nominations should be presented to Nominating Committee Chair Rich Iovanni (508-695-6909) or Chapter Secretary Linda Wells (508-279-1963) not later than 21 days prior to the Annual Meeting (Oct. 13). Nominations may not be made from the floor except in the case of the death, incapacity or withdrawal of the candidate. (Nominating Committee Members: Paul and Louise Anthony, Keith Jacobson, Muriel Thomas.)
Hike Rating: First character indicates distance in miles. Second character indicates leader's pace over average terrain. Third character indicates terrain.

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Hikers unsure of their ability should try only one level higher than previously completed. Note: NO PETS without permission of Trip Leader. Individuals under 18 must obtain prior consent from Trip Leader.

Sat./Mon. Sept 1/3 - Pemigewasset Wilderness Backpack (B3C) Explore the remnants of the railroad era. Limited to eight participants. Map and compass and bushwacking experience required. Register with leaders John Poirier or Louise Des-Rochers at 508-822-1372 (6-9pm)

Sat. Sept 8 - Mt. Washington day hike. (A1A) Early start at a quick pace. Several thousand feet of elevation gain. Taking the Huntington Ravine Trail to the summit. Back down the Tuckerman Ravine Trail. This is a difficult trail for experienced, in-shape hikers only. Register with L John Pereira 508-254-8303 (6-8 pm) or email iceclimbing@backpacker.com. CL Dexter Robinson 781-294-8840 (7-9 pm)

Sat/Sun Sept 15/16 - Wilderness First Aid. Contact Bob Vogel to register or for information. 508-238-7732 (7-9 pm) email rvogel@mediaone.net.

Sat/Sun. Sept 22 /23 - Lonesome Lake Hut trip, a fun family weekend in NH's Franconia Notch State Park, jointly led by Boston family outings and SEM/AMC. The hike into this backcountry hut is a short 1.75 miles, with a continuous moderate grade and 900 feet elevation gain. Cost is $71/adult,$46/child under 16 yrs, includes 1 dinner, 1 breakfast and Sat. night bunk space. Register with SEM Leader Erika Bloom 508-996-3290 (7-9 pm) email ebloom@mediaone.net. Boston family outings leader is Valerie Paul 508-231-1483 email valerie.paul@verizon.net.

Sat. Sept 22 - Cardigan Mtn. (B3B) My First NH Hike. Short, strenuous climb up the Holt Trail. Moderate hike down from the summit on the Manning Trail. Has the feel of a big mountain hike with half of the effort. Register with Leader Patrick Holland. 781-925-4423 (7-9 pm) email pat.holland@littlebrown.com CL Steve Tulip 508-977-9309 (7-9 pm) email stulip@dpyus.jnj.com

Sun. Sept 23 - Welch / Dickey Mtns. (C3B) Two great little peaks with more outstanding views than anything in the area. The loop trail crosses extensive ledges and outcroppings, and ascends the two summits. Register with CL Laura Smeaton 617-695-9903 (7-10 pm) email smeaton@sdc.harvard.edu. L Bob Vogel 508-238-7732 (7-9 pm) email rvogel@mediaone.net

Sat. Sept 29 - Zeeland Valley (A3D) Nice walk through the valley from Zeeland trailhead to Crawford Notch via the Ethan Pond Trail. Possible stops at Zeeland Hut and Thoreau Falls. Register with leader Bob Emery 508-222-8460 (6-8pm.) CL Pauline Jordan 508-676-5146 after 9 pm email Hirst30@aol.com

Sun. Sept 30 - Mt. Moosilauke (B3B) Summit climb from south-side's Ravine Lodge via the Gorge Brook and Carriage Road trails. Great 360-degree views. Register with L Wayne Taylor 508-252-6995 (6-9 pm) email wjtaylor@mediaone.net CL Mike Vining 781-344-0103 (7-9 pm)
Hiking and Backpacking continued

Sat/Sun. Oct 6/7 - CHAPTER HUT NIGHT- Carter Notch Hut Register with Walt Wells 508-279-1963 (7-9 pm)

Sat. Oct 13 - Wapack Trail (B3B) Fall foliage hike with views of Mt Monadnock and surrounding area. Stop for dinner on the way home. Limited to 10 participants. Register with leaders, Louise DesRochers or John Poirier 508-822-1372 (6-9 pm)

Sat. Oct 13 - North Shore: Forests and Food (C4D) Explore Ravenswood Park (fine stands of Hemlock) and Halibut Point State Park (granite quarry and beautiful cliffs). Stop at Woodmans in Essex for chowder after. Register with leader Patrick Holland 781-925-4423 (7-9 pm) email pat.holland@littlebrown.com CL Laura Smeaton, 617-695-9903 (7-10 pm) email smeaton@sdac.harvard.edu

Sat. Oct 20 - Sandwich Dome (A3B) Hike to the summit of NH's highest non-4000 footer from the Waterville Valley side. Register with Co-Leader Elizabeth Balaschak 508-823-2312 (7-9 pm) email ekbesq@mediaone.net. Leader Wayne Taylor 508-252-6995 (7-9 pm) email wtaylor@mediaone.net

Sun. Oct 21 - Freetown State Forest (B3C) Hike 7-8 miles around ponds and through the woods. Register with Leader Bill Markson 508-947-6739 (7-9 pm) email mogulero@yahoo.com CL Charlie Farrell 508-822-2123 (7-9 pm)

Sat. Oct 27 - Advanced Map and Compass - Blue Hills Area (C4B) Back by popular demand. Previous map and compass experience required. Focus on overcoming obstacles. Group size is limited. Register with L John Poirier 508-822-1372 (6-9 pm) CL Louise DesRochers

Sun. Oct 28 - Alander Mountain/Bash Bish Falls (B3C) Start at the spectacular Falls, then short strenuous ascent to Alander Mtn. with great views to the west into New York State. Register with Leader Patrick Holland 781-925-4423 (7-9 pm) email pat.holland@littlebrown.com CL Steve Tulip 508-977-9309 email stulip@dpyus.jnj.com

Sat. Nov 10 - FIFTH ANNUAL WINTER HIKING WORKSHOP Come learn about hiking and camping in the winter months. This is the annual kick-off event for the Winter Hiking Series. Contact Walt Wells 508-279-1963 or Charlie Farrell 508-822-2123 to register.

Sat./Sun. Nov 10/11 - Mt. Adams and Mt. Jefferson backpack (A2A) Early start. Heavy packs. Winter and technical gear required. Several thousand ft. elevation gain. Major routes: Six Husbands Trail to tree line; Butter Trail back below tree line. Register with L John Pereira 508-254-8303 (6-8 pm) email iceclimbing@backpacker.com CL Dexter Robinson 781-294-8840 (6-9 pm) email dexsue@massed.net

Sun. Nov 11 - Monroe State Forest, Mass. (B3B) Moderate hike through beautiful old growth forest in the northern Berkshires along the Spruce Mountain Trail. Register with L Patrick Holland 781-925-4423 (7-9 pm) email pat.holland@littlebrown.com CL Steve Tulip 508-977-9309 (7-9 pm) email stulip@dpyus.jnj.com

Wed. Nov 14 - Ethan Pond Backpack (B3B) Work off that turkey with this moderate paced backpack to the pond and beyond. Depending on conditions, full winter gear may be required. (Last year we had over a foot of snow on the ground.) Register with Leader Walt Wells 508-279-1963 (7-9 pm) email wwells50@aol.com L Steve Tulip 508-977-9309 (7-9 pm) stulip@dpyus.jnj.com

ROCK CLIMBING see page 8

AMC Activities Risk Statement: Activities listed here involve varying degrees of danger. When you participate in these activities, you should be prepared physically and mentally, and equipped with appropriate gear. You should be aware of the risks and conduct yourself accordingly. Volunteer trip leaders are not responsible for your safety; you are. Before registering for any activity, you should discuss your capabilities with the trip leader. To participate in chapter activities, individuals under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult, or obtain prior consent from the trip leader. Those accompanied by a minor are responsible for the minor’s actions.
Cape Cod Hikes
Chair — Janet DiMattia (508) 394-9064

Thurs. hikes start at 9:30 am; Sat. hikes start at 10:00 am - bring lunch; Sun. hikes start at 1:00 pm unless noted.
NO DOGS allowed. (See p.4 for Hike Rating information)

Call Leaders for more information

Thurs. Sept 13 - Harwich, Herring River (C3D) - Exit 9 S off Rte 6 onto Rte 134. Turn L at 3rd light on Upper County Rd. then immediate L onto Great Western. Follow approx. 2.2 mi. Park inside fence on L at Sand Pond. L Janet DiMattia 508-394-9064. Potluck lunch at leader's following hike.


Sun. Sept 16 - Wellfleet, Marconi Beach area (C3D) - Follow signs from Rte. 6 (Marconi Beach Rd.) L to HQ parking. Go past HQ bldg, take 1st R, park on road. L Barbara Hollis 508-240-1973

Sun. Sept 16 - Barnstable Conservation Land, Trail of Tears end to end. (B2B) Bring lunch. S. on Rte 149 off Rte 6 at Exit 5, R on Service Rd. Park under power lines. L Peter Selieg 508-432-7656

Thurs. Sept. 20 - Eastham, Salt Pond Visitors Center (C3C) From Rte 6 at lights, turn R on Nauset Rd. and park in Visitors Center pkg lot on R. L Frank Handlen 508-349-7386

Sun. Sept 23 - Mashpee, South Cape Beach S.P. (C3C) - From Mashpee Rotary take Great Neck Rd. S for approx. 2.2 mi. Turn L on Great Oak Rd and follow to end to Town Beach pkg lot, approx. 2.5 mi. L Gary Miller 508-540-1857

Thurs. Sept 27 - Sandwich, Maple Swamp (C3B) Exit 4 S, off Rte. 6 on Chase Rd. Turn R (West) immediately onto Service Rd. At approx. 1 mi, park in lot on left. L Janet Kaiser 508-375-0574

Sun. Sept 30 - Sandwich, Scorton Creek (C4D) Exit 5 N from Rte. 6 to L on 6A. At 3.6 mi. cross concrete bridge, take next L to Scorton Creek pkg lot L George Bowman 508-362-0163

Sun. Sept 30 - Wellfleet, Newcomb Hollow Beach (B3B) At second light in Wellfleet turn R on Gross Hill Lane, turn L on Ocean View Drive to end following signs to Newcomb Hollow Beach. L Ron VanderWiel 508-255-3361

Thurs. Oct 4 - Barnstable, Deacons Farm (C4D) Exit 5 off Rte 6, to N. Park behind Fire Station on R. L Harry Kom-bros 508-385-9502

Sat. Oct 6 - Brewster, Punkhorn Parklands (A2B) Exit 9 N off Rte 6 onto Rte 134. Turn R at 2nd traffic light onto Setucket Rd, then R onto Run Hill Rd. Go 1 mi past Brewster D.P.W and park in Punkhorn Parklands main pkg lot at end of pavement. Bring Lunch. L Brigitte Falzone 508-394-6343

Sun. Oct 7 - Barnstable, Sandy Neck Beach (B3B) Rte. 6A to Sandy Neck Beach Parking Lot at end of Sandy Neck Rd. L Pam Carter 508-398-2605

Thurs. Oct 11 - Dennis, Indian Lands (C3D) Go South on Old Bass River Rd. from Rte 6A in Dennis Village. In 4 mi. turn R into pkg lot at Town Hall after RR crossing. L Barbara Rogers

Sun. Oct 14 - Truro, Ryder Beach (C3C) Route 6 North to first left (Prince Valley Rd) after Wellfleet/Truro line to dead end, then right on Old County Road. Take next left (Ryder Beach Road) to parking area. L Frank Handlen 508-349-7396

Sun. Oct 14 - Wellfleet, Jeremy Point - Bring Lunch (A1B) Turn N off Rte 6 at "Wellfleet Center" sign onto Main St. Turn L on Chequessett Neck Rd. "at the dory." Park in Great Island pkg lot on Left. L Peter Selieg 508-432-7656


Sun. Oct 21 - Brewster, Nickerson State Park (C4C) Park in main pkg lot at entrance on Rte. 6A. L Don Costa 508-760-5478

Thurs. Oct 25 - Falmouth, Bourne Farms (C3C) From Rte 28 turn on Thomas Landers Rd. S toward 28A. See sign on 28A for Bourne Farms. L Nancy Wigley 508-548-2362

Sat. Oct 27 - Wellfleet, Griffin Island (A2B) Bring lunch. Turn N off Rte 6 at "Wellfleet Center" sign onto Main St. Turn L on Chequessett Neck Road "at the dory." Park in Great Island pkg lot on L at end of road. L Brigitte Falzone 508-394-6343

Sun. Oct 28 - Wellfleet, White Crest Beach (C3C) From Rte 6, E on LeCounte Hollow Rd. to end. L on Ocean View Rd to beach pkg lot. L Frank Handlen 508-349-7396
Local Cape Hikes (continued)

Thurs. Nov 1 - Dennis, Run Pond. (C4C) From the intersection with Old Bass River Rd., go W on Setucket Rd. approx. 1 mi. and park in small lot on N side of Rd (bike path) E of junction with Mayfair Rd. L. Barbara Hollis 508-240-1973

Sat. Nov 3 - Brewster, Nickerson State Park (B3B) Go into main entrance of Park. Take first L onto Flax Pond Rd. Parking at end of boat ramp. L. Bob VanderWiel 508-432-4341

Sun. Nov 4 - Yarmouth, Inkberry Trail (C3D) From Rte. 6 Exit 7 S. Go N from Rte. 28 at light onto Winslow Hollow Rd. parking on left 4 mi. L. Janet DiMattia 508-394-9064

Sun. Nov 4 - Truro, North Pemat (B3B) From Rte. 6 Truro, turn E at Pamat Rd. sign. Meet at end of Pamat Rd. L. Ron VanderWiel 508-255-3361

Thurs. Nov 8 - Mashpee, South Cape Beach (C3C) From Mashpee Rotary take Great Neck Rd S for approx. 2.2 mi. Turn L on Great Oak Rd. and follow to end to Town Beach Pkg Lot., approx. 2.5 mi. L. Gary Miller 508-540-1857

Sun. Nov 11 - Harwich, Hawks' Nest State Park (C3C) Rte. 6 to Exit 11 S on Rte. 137. Take first R on Spruce Rd. At 0.5 mi park on side of Rd. L. Janet DiMattia 508-394-9064

Thurs. Nov 15 - Brewster, Parson's Perch (C4D) From intersection of Rtes. 6A & 134, take 6A E 0.8 mi. Turn R on Airline Rd. At 1.3 mi continue across to Slough Rd. and park on L at 0.8 mi at Walker Pond pkg area. L. Harry Dombroski 508-385-9502

Sat. Nov 17 - Truro, Pameats - Bring Lunch. From Rte. 6 Truro, turn E at Pamat Rd. sign. Meet at end of So. Pamat Rd. (B3B) L. Bob Freeman 508 432-4341

Sun. Nov 18 - Mashpee Johns Pond (C3C) N. on Currier Rd. Off Rte 151 and quick R on Hooppole Rd. Follow signs to Town Landing through trailer park. L. Farley Lewis

Sun. Nov 18 - Barnstable, Sandy Neck (A2B) To the Lighthouse. Starting time 10:00 - Bring lunch - Rte. 6A to Sandy Neck Beach Pkg Lot at end of Sandy Neck Rd. L. Peter Selig 508 432-7656


Sun. Nov 25 - Wellfleet Duck Harbor (B3B) Turn N. off Rte 6 at "Wellfleet Center" sign. Turn L on Chequessett Neck Rd. "at the dory" and follow to end. Turn R opposite Great Island pkg lot. Park in lot at end of this road. L. Janet Kaiser 508-375-0574

Thurs. Nov 29 - Cape Cod Canal (C3C) Park at Visitors Center on N side. L. Donna Nickerson 508-528-3043

Biking

Chair — Connie Austin 420-8943
Co-Chair — Elsie Laverty 823-0634

HELMETS REQUIRED.

Beginner = mostly flat, 15-18 miles, 10-12 mph pace
Intermediate = some hills, 25-35 miles 13-16 mph
Call leaders before 9 pm to match rides to biking ability.

Sat. Sept 8 - Popular ride on country roads with stop at the Acushnet Peach and Apple Festival. Approx 25 miles at leisurely pace. L. Elsie Laverty 508-823-0634

Sun. Sept 9 - Easy ride. Rock Harbor to Coast Guard Beach. Meet 1 pm. Directions: Rte. 6 to Orleans Circle to Rock Harbor. L. George Byron 508-760-3883

Sat. Sept 15 - Wellfleet. Intermediate, 40 mi. L. Jim Kilpela 508-295-1361 or jmkilpela@mediaone.net before 9 pm

Sat. Sept 22 - Sharon. The best foliage ride along Mass Audubon roads with lunch at Borderland, viewing Lake Massapoag and last ice cream of the season at Crescent Ridge. 30-35 mi. Beginner/Intermediate depending on participants. L Nancy Beach 508-699-0032 / 617-899-5285

Sun. Sept 23 - Repeat of June's washout. Horseneck Beach area with visit to local brewery or winery. 25-30 miles, Easy pace. L Elsie Laverty 508-823-0634

Sat. Oct 6 - Cape Cod Rail Trail. Ride all or part of this beautiful path with lunch stop along the way. Dennis to Eastham and back is approx. 60 miles or opt for short route. L Elsie Laverty 508-823-0634


Sat. Oct 20 - Rochester/Lakeville/ Marion — Intermediate, 35 mi. Pretty countryside, backroads. Mostly flat! Jim Kilpela 508-295-1361, jmkilpela@mediaone.net before 9 pm.
Biking continued

Nov. 10 - Plainville/Wrentham/Cumberland - Horse farms and quiet country roads, in search of ice cream or hot chocolate, depending on weather. 25-30 mi, intermediate, beginners welcome. L Nancy Beach 508-699-0032/617-899-5285

Canoe and Kayak
Chair — Arthur Hart (781) 762-5251
Vice Chair — Dave Williams (508) 238-3638

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SEMASSAMCCANOEKAYAK

RENTALS: Members $6/day, Non-members $15 — Old Town 17' FG Canoe (Dave in Easton 238-3638); Grumman 17 ft Alum. Canoe (Carolyn in Sandwich 888-4923); Chinook 17 ft Sea Kayak (Carrie in Harwich 430-9892) SAT. TRIPS: call L or CL to register and for time and directions to put-in. Ls will screen for suitable experience. WED. or THURS. TRIPS: no registration required unless listed. Allow time to park, launch and be ready to go at 10:30 am

Contact L or Art Hart, 781/762-5251, ajhart@webtv.net, for more details on Sat. or Wed trips

Sat. Sept 1 - Chase Garden Creek from Gray's Beach, Yarmouthport. L Jeff Tubman 508-896-7858

Wed. Sept 5 - Pamet Harbor and River, Truro. L Dick Coveney 508-790-1016, dickcoveney@mediaone.net Launch at Town ramp. Rt 6 N to Pamet Roads/Truro Center exit, under Rt 6 to L on Castle Rd and quick R on Depot St to harbor

Sept 8-15 - Rangely Lakes ME canoe & camping. L Dave Shephard 508-548-8717 or daveshep@aol.com

Sat, Sept 15 - Mill Creek and Sandwich Harbor, Sandwich. L Carolyn Crowell 508-888-4923 or ccrowel@capecod.net


Sat, Sept 22 - Bassett's Island from Hen Cove, Cedar Point Dr of Shore Rd, Pocasset. CLs Nancy Wigley 508-548-2362 or nwigley@cape.com, and Muriel Thomas 508-428-3593 or mmctvr@aol.com

Wed. Sept 26 - Herring Pond, Bournebridge from Town launch, South end of Pond on Herring Pond Rd.

Sat. Sept 29 - Leader's choice. L Jeff Tubman 508-896-7858 or jtbmn@capecod.net.

Wed. Oct 3 - Walkers Pond, Brewster - Town boat launch off Slough Rd at South end of pond

Sat Oct 6 - Blackstone River, Northbridge/Uxbridge. L Art Hart 781/762-5251 or ajhart@webtv.net


Sat. Oct 13 - Assabet/Concord Rivers. L Art Hart, CL Deb Sager 978/663-3965 debasag@earthlink.net

Wed. Oct 17-Scorton Creek, E Sandwich. Launch at Old State Wildlife Area 0.2 mile on gravel road off Rt 6A just West of Scorton Creek bridge

Sat. Oct 20- Paddle Martha's Vineyard. CLs Pam Browning 508/696-0295, pambrowning@webtv.net, and Dave Shephard 508/548-8717, daveshep@aol.com. Cost $16 or less. Advance registration may get group discount

Wed. Oct 24- Osterville Grand Island- Cotuit Rt 28 to Putnum Rd (1/2 mile West of Rt 149), South 1.9 mile to Old Shore Rd to Town Landing.

Sat. Oct 27- Neponset River, Norwood to Hyde Park. L Art Hart 781/762-5251 or ajhart@webtv.net

Wed. Oct 31- Herring River and West Reservoir, West Harwich. Rt 28 to Town Landing at Herring River bridge.

View from the Chair (continued from p. 1)

and developing an environmental education center.

In the last issue, I announced two projects for which the chapter had received special funding. To date, five leaders plan to take the "Leave No Trace" course and will receive travel/tuition reimbursement. We still have funding for three more leaders. The second project involved supplying first-aid kits for all chapter leaders. The Board is in the process of purchasing and distributing them.

Finally, although serving as chapter chair has been challenging, it has offered me the opportunity to meet and work with many AMC members in our chapter, other chapters, and to work closely with AMC staff at Joy Street. The latest chapter membership list I received indicates 2702 chapter members. I strongly encourage old as well as new members to get involved with chapter activities whether it be participating in a trip or helping out with a special function or activity. I can guarantee that you will receive much more from the involvement than what you contribute.
CHAPTER HUT NIGHT at Carter Notch Hut
October 6 - 7, 2001

Join us for our annual rite of autumn - Chapter Hut Night in the Whites. This fall we'll be at Carter Notch Hut, the eastern-most point in the AMC's high hut system, situated at about 3,300 feet and a moderate hike of 3.8 miles up the Nineteen Mile Brook Trail.

Carter is a self-service facility in the Fall, so we'll be cooking our own group meals for Sat. supper and Sun. breakfast. Cost: $30/person, all inclusive. Space is limited to 30 people. Register ASAP with Walt Wells, 508-279-1963.

ROCK CLIMBING
AND BOULDERING

Contact: John Pereira, 508-254-8303 (6-8 pm)
email: iceclimbing@backpacker.com

With interest in the sport soaring, SEM/AMC has begun offering a beginner-level rock climbing program. Prior experience is not a prerequisite; a sense of adventure is.

Top roping trips are coordinated by John Pereira and Brian Donelan, who have six and 22 years of experience, respectively, and have climbed extensively in the Northeast. Bouldering trips will be coordinated by Pereira, with assistance from Donelan and other experienced climbers.

Equipment: Rock climbing shoes are required for all activities and a harness is required for the top roping climbs. Safety helmets will be provided. Cancellations possible due to uncooperative weather or other circumstances.

Top Roping (Weekends)
Sept 22 - Rumney, NH
Oct 13/14 - Rumney, NH
Nov 3 - Purgatory Chasm, MA

Bouldering (Tuesdays)
Sept 11 - Lincoln Woods, RI
Oct 23 - Lincoln Woods, RI
Nov 13 - Lincoln Woods, RI

EMS Club Day is Saturday, October 27th—
Club members get 20% off all in-stock items