MAR '86

SPECIAL EVENTS...
Camp Farley Festival

Fri.-Sun., June 6-8: Plan to join in for all or part of this fun-filled weekend at a 4-H facility in Sandwich. It's a great chance for newcomers to learn all about the club, one for oldtimers to share their experiences and tall tales!

There will be several registration options...days only, overnight, etc. A full schedule will be included in the April Breeze...but mark your calendar now to save some time that weekend!

Evening events: Fri.- AMC Camp Facilities slide show, complete with popcorn. Sat. night - Square Dance. Both nights: Stargazing!

Other activities: Canoe instruction and "entertainment", bike trips, hiking, orienteering and search and rescue demonstrations, leadership info, conservation roundtable, computer committee meeting, and more...not to mention some great eating (always a popular AMC event). Also, a Used Equipment Sale...so start digging thru the garage and attic for those old skis, backpack, bikebags, maps, books, etc.

This is a great chance for beginners to pick up equipment without a big investment, and for others to get a few dollars toward upgrading equipment.

WATCH THE APRIL BREEZE FOR DETAILS....NEWCOMERS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME.

NEWS...

HAPPY TRAILS, RUSS!!!

Russ Ottey, past Chapter Chair, is setting forth in March for Georgia to hike the entire Appalachian Trail - 2,000 miles from Georgia to Maine! He plans to reach Mt. Katahdin in Maine about Labor Day. We wish you well, Russ - keep in touch so we can all follow your progress.

REPORTS...

AMC ANNUAL MEETING

The 110th Annual Meeting of the AMC was held Sat., Jan. 18th in Andover. Several members of the SE Mass Chapter Executive Board attended the all-day conference sessions followed by a business meeting, dinner and slide program. Topics of special interest covered in the conferences were computerizing Chapters to coordinate with AMC HQ computer, and the Capital Campaign of the AMC.

OF INTEREST...

'TIS TAX SEASON! ...by Barbara Hughes

I want to pass on some information obtained from Joy Street regarding income tax returns. All but $7.00 of the membership fee is tax deductible if you receive just Appalachia; all but $14.00 is deductible if you also receive Appalachian Journal. Also, any unreimbursed expenses incurred for a charitable organization can be deducted; mileage at 12¢ per mile to attend meetings, for leaders' scouting trips, and any other out-of-pocket expenses such as tolls, parking, lodging, etc. Remember that they have to be unreimbursed. Mileage expenses are deductible under "Contributions" on Schedule A.
NEWCOMER NOTES . . .
Suzanne & Bob Scolamiero (545-6015)

Did you join AMC to make new friends who share your interests? A great way to get acquainted is to join a committee. Choose among the committees listed in Appalachia Bulletin, or the Breeze. Call the leader - and you'll be on your way toward meeting warm and friendly people who welcome your enthusiasm for the great outdoors.

A special welcome to the following members who joined the SE Mass Chapter in December and January:

Abington        Joan E. Guidi        Holbrook       Kenneth J. Banis Family
                David Sullivan               Dwight Lee Nevis Family
Atteboro        Sue Comis               Susan H. Rackliffe
Bellingham      Eric W. Pickering      Marion        Dorothy B. Coykendall
                 William R. Jundzil          Marshfield    Patrick Robertson
Berkley         Henry M. Castonguay    Marstons Mills Carole Harvey
Braintree       Norman R. Guivens      Mashpee        F. Thomas Fudula
                 Nancy Lauria               Mattapoisett Virginia G. Arral
Brighton        A. Sears               Medfield       Larry D. Benesi Family
Brookline       Terri Lynn Cummings    Plymouth      Robert F. Coburn Family
Cambridge       Thomas A. Knudson      Portsmouth, RI Russell Gershman Family
Canton          Dorothy A. Rooney      Rehoboth       David E. Mercer
Cataumet        Tom Parkas             Rumford, RI    Charles F. McCarthy Family
Centerville     Brian Thompson Family  Sagamore Beach Karen Fisher
Chatham         John Alden              Scituate       Lance E. Latham
Chilmark        Salme L. Mikkonen Family Seekonk       Robert K. Sweet, III
                 Susan Pierce             Setauket, NY   Pandora Thamasil
Cohasset        Ron Goodwin Family     Sharon         Chester F. Wolfe
Cotuit          Kurt F. Turnbull Family South Dartmouth Nancy A. Messinger
Cumberland, RI  Michael Cilella       South Dennis   R. Donaton Family
Cummaquid       Cait Griff             South Easton   Daniel & Jim Madden Family
Dartmouth       Lincoln Ekstrom Family  South Yarmouth Gerald E. Pietsch
Dorchester      Mike Callaghan         Wellfleet      Martin D. Granville
Duxbury         Kim Acksmith Family    West Yarmouth Edwin Nummelin Family
                 John Jöline             Westport       Christopher Stout
                 Walter D. Keleher        Woods Hole    Janet F. Stout
                 Emilie Martin          Blair H. Brumley
East Taunton    Joseph H. Dwyer, Jr.  Hyannis        Kevin Forrest
East Weymouth   John R. Tribou         Marion        Ann Thomson
Fall River      Russell J. Holland     Marshfield    Robin Condon
                 Armand R. Hamel            Marstons Mills    William Pepe
Falmouth        Tom Bolmer Family      Mattapoisett  Blair H. Brumley
                 Brendan J. Cowan          Medfield       Douglas Moore
                 Otis K. Dewan, DMD         Middleboro      Sue Comis
                 Bob Pettengill
Foxboro         Peter John Monbouquette
                 Karen A. Mordaunt Family
Halifax         Mark E. Klim Family
                  Paul Clark
Hanover         Markku Lehto
Hanson          Dr. Carol Topolewski
Harwich         Claire Willis
Hingham         Philip L. Yangker

Potluck Suppers

It is not too late to join in our series of get-acquainted gatherings. Take the opportunity to plan your spring/summer outings. Talk to the Chairmen of Committees you are interested in joining. Meet other AMC'ers in your area of Southeastern Mass. Call in advance to register with the host/hostess, and plan your potluck contribution.

Sun., Mar. 9, 1:00 PM: Bridgewater.
Hostess Linda Thomas (697-8640). Education Chairman Bob Bentley will speak.

Sat., Mar. 15, 7:00 PM: Cotuit.
Hostess Joey Gallus (428-5391).

Sun., Apr. 6, 2:00 PM: Sandwich.
Hostess Carolyn Crowell (888-4923).
CONSERVATION CORNER...
BY Pam Carter

From the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs in Boston comes the good news that there IS ongoing hope that "powers-that-be" really do care about our environment. According to Environmental Affairs Secretary James S. Hoyte, the State's Self Help Land Acquisition program (which provides up to 80% reimbursement to communities for the acquisition of conservation land) comes to 7.5 million dollars to be awarded statewide with the major percent going to Cape Cod: Brewster, Chatham, Falmouth, Mashpee, Wellfleet and Yarmouth.

But off-Cape areas such as the Town of Middleboro received grants, too...the latter to acquire Pratt Farm in order to protect 160 acres of land from development.

"The State's Self Help Land Acquisition Program is an excellent example of one significant way to protect sensitive lands in partnership with the local cities and towns," said Secretary Hoyte.

Another significant method, so far as each of us within the community of Southeastern Mass AMC is concerned, to help protect our wildlife areas, riverfronts, ground waters, etc., is by attending town meetings...and keeping the Conservation Chair and Committee informed of those conservation concerns we might be able to do something about. PLEASE contact: Pam Carter and Committee, at 16 Driftwood Lane, So. Yarmouth, MA 02664 (398-2605).

GET INVOLVED...

Sun., Mar. 16: Conservation Meeting. A Approx. 3 PM, after the morning Cape hike... meet at Pam and Bud Carter's, S. Yarmouth. Learn what the AMC and YOU can do about issues like the use of ORV's on the National Seashore, rezoning and over-development, conservation issues in your town. The committee is looking at local issues where our individual efforts will really count...so join in! Call for directions (398-2605).

OF INTEREST...
IRELAND, ANYONE?

Am thinking about a two-week trip in August, September or October, combining hiking and sight-seeing. If interested please get in touch. Vicki Fitzgerald (585-3424) evenings.

CANOEING...
Barbara Hughes (362-3954)
Chuck Wright (564-4250)

Tues., Mar. 11: Introduction to White Water Canoeing and Ocean Kayaking. 7-10 PM, Camp Burgess (YMCA), Sunset Lodge, Sandwich. What is it? How do you get started? How much does it cost? What equipment do you need? We will answer these questions and more and will show you boats and equipment. Films, slides and refreshments. Directions: Mid-Cape Highway (Rte. 6) to Exit 2, south on Rte. 130 1.6 mi. Bear left on Cotuit Rd., for 1.3 mi., left on Farmersville Rd. for 1.2 mi., then left again on Stowe Rd., about 1/2 mi. Camp Burgess is on left opposite Triangle Pond. Tel. at camp is 428-2571. For more info call C. Wright (564-4250) or B. Scolamiero (545-6015).


FOR SALE
16-foot Lincoln fiberglass canoe with paddles, $180.00. Also, 11-foot one person canoe with double bladed paddle. Will deliver if needed. Contact Capt. Roger B. Gilman, M.M., 24 Green End Ave., Middletown, RI 02840 (401-847-0638).

X-C SKIING...
COLD LINE FOR SKI TOURERS AND/OR SNOWSHOERS.
If local conditions permit, several leaders will run day trips. Call Thurs./Fri. nites to get location for Sat., Sun., weekdays. Russ Ottey (563-6637), John Smart (888-4811), Bob Bentley (866-3057), Vicki Fitzgerald (585-3424), Carolyn Crowell (888-4923).

SUBSCRIPTIONS:
We have a subscription policy for members of other Chapters wanting to receive the Breeze. The "subscriber" must supply 12 self-addressed labels and postage ($1.50 for bulk rate mailing with 1-3 week delivery; or $3 for first-class handling). Current "subscribers" will be notified when their last issue is mailed. New subscriptions may be sent to Ann Mitchell, 96 Manomet St., Brockton, MA 02401.
SO, YOU WANT TO TRY SOME HIKING!
by Walter Morin

You are thinking of wanting to do some hiking but perhaps running through your mind is - I don't know if I can do it - I bet all those people on hikes are pros - What do I need - What is an intermediate or beginner hike? These thoughts and many similar ones are not uncommon to all who started hiking. They were mine as well, but the important decision to make is to try it. Beginner hikes are just that. You will note, through the months of April to July, the hiking committee will offer a Beginner series consisting of seven trips. They begin with hikes of seven to thirteen miles in the Blue Hills. They are at a pace of about two miles per hour with the leader explaining how to cope with the different terrains and conditions. Equipment for these hikes is just a good pair of sneakers and perhaps a day pack to carry some lunch and drink. The emphasis is on encouragement to the beginner, giving the person the chance to see if he or she likes it or not.

The third and fourth hikes in the Beginner series are day hikes in the White Mountains, not too hard, but a chance to see how one does, going up and down some steep terrains. For these trips hikers will need better hiking shoes and basic gear and clothes. That will be explained before each trip to each prospective hiker when he or she calls the leader to register and to inquire about the trip.

The fifth and sixth in the series takes the beginner to the White Mountains and the Long Trail in Vermont for some weekend backpacking. The beginners will be instructed how to carry backpacks, how to set up tents, help in community cooking, how to identify trails, and in general the do's and don'ts of hiking.

The last in the Beginner series is an enjoyable Hut experience. The hiker will backpack into the Hut but will not have to do much cooking as the Hut crew will feed and entertain you.

The most important ingredient in all hikes, one that occurs naturally, is the enjoyment one gets meeting, talking and sharing ideas with others. Give yourself this opportunity while at the same time observing some great views and challenges right here in New England.

1986 HIKING SCHEDULE

For those interested in receiving a more detailed listing of all hikes, please send a SASE to: Walter A. Morin, 43 Carmel Circle, Bridgewater, MA 02324.

April 12  Blue Hills, Beginner I
April 26  Blue Hills, Beginner II
May 3  Mt. Monadnock, Beg. III
May 3-4  Mt. Garfield
May 10-11  White Mt. Day Hikes, Beg. IV
May 17-18  Lonesome Lake Trail Work
May 24-26  Mt. Passaconway, Whiteface, N & S Tripyramids
June 14-15  Carter Range
June 20-22  Rte. 9 S to Seth Warner, VT, Beg. V
June 28-29  Crawford Notch Backpack, Beg. VI
July 4-6  Maine Backpack, Sugarloaf, Crockers and Bigelows
July 12-13  N & S Kinsmans, Lonesome Lake Hut, Beg. VII
July 26-27  Galehead Hut, N & S Twins, Galehead and Garfield
Aug. 2-3  Mt. Saddleback & Abraham, Maine
Aug. 16-17  Mt. Tom, Field & Willey
Aug. 29-Sept. 1  Mt. Katahdin, Maine
Sept. 13-14  Mt. Liberty, Flume, Lincoln & Lafayette
Sept. 27-28  Mahoosuc Notch, Old Speck, Maine
Oct. 11-13  Great Gulf, Mt. Jefferson and Washington

HIKING/BACKPACKING...

Bruce Dunham  (587-0679)
Walter Morin  (697-6690)


Sat., Mar. 22:  Borderlands State Park, Easton. 7-mi. hike over easy terrain - woods, ponds and fields. Take Rte. 123 (Depot St.) 2.8 mi. to intersection of Rte. 106 & 123. Take right (Foundry St.) .5 mi. to Poquanticut St. Take right 1.3 mi. to Massapoag Ave. Take left on Massapoag Ave. 2.2 mi. to park entrance. Joint Boston/SEM Chapter hike. L Bruce Dunham (587-0679) 7-9 PM. CL Sydney Smith (238-3434).
MORE HIKING/BACKPACKING . . .


Sat., Apr. 12: Blue Hills, Beginner I. 7-mi. hike with fair amount of climbing covering some less seen parts with good views. Joint Boston/SEM hike. Meet at Chickatawbut Rd. & Rte. 28, Milton, 10:00 AM bring lunch. A chance to meet other AMC members and get yourself in shape for the coming season. L Claire Braye (238-3434).

Sun., Apr. 13: Blue Hills Skyline Trail. Get a taste of spring hiking approximately 8 mi. of varied trail. Good views of Boston. Meet 8:30 AM at Park & Ride just after Ho-Jo's, Rte. 138, Exit 64B off Rte. 128 to spot cars. Bring trail lunch and beverage. L Stu Morris (399-8289)

HIKING/CAPE-SUNDAYS

May 5, 1974

Harry Dombrosk (385-9502)

All hikes begin 11 AM sharp, last 3-4 hours, bring lunch.


Sun., Mar. 16: Nickerson State Pk., Brewster. Meet at pkng. lot at front entrance off Rte. 6A at 11 AM for lunch. 3-4 hr. hike with brisk pace. L Chas. Carter (398-2605).


Sun., Mar. 30: Brewster. Fisherman's Landing, a popular spot. Meet 11 AM at pkng. lot for approx. 11-mi. circular hike. Fisherman's Landing is just off Rte. 124 N of Exit 10 Mid-Cape highway. L J. Bickley (778-0440)

Sun., Apr. 6: Nickerson State Pk., Brewster. Meet at entrance pkng. lot 11 AM for hike thru "Colonel's Glen" then traversing Red Fox Trail...continuing thru Lion Head Trail...Ski Tow Path...following Briar Patch Trail to scenic Lakeside Trail around Higgins Pond. L Larry Smith (432-3555).


The next deadline is...MARCH 5, for the May issue of Appalachia and the April issue of the Southeast Breeze. Trip notices must be submitted thru the appropriate activity committee. Other contributions may be sent direct to the Editor: Phyllis Whitford, 64 Robert Rd., Brockton, MA 02402. Telephone: 588-5834.
For sale
AMC SUNCATCHERS are still available. 3½" round, with pine tree logo in green, white and clear. Complete with suction cup holder to hang in a sunny window. $5 ea., 3 for $14 (includes tax, postage and handling). Send check, payable to SE MASS AMC, to Margaret Brown, 202 Taunton Ave., Norton, MA 02766.

BIKING...
Dave Fogg (384-3851)
Claire Cabral (866-2464)

Sat., Apr. 5: 11th Annual Picturesque Pedaling Premiere. Come and enjoy our first ride of the season with a ride along the Cape Cod Canal. Approx. 20 mi., easy. Bring lunch and dress for wind.

Sat., June 21-Sun., June 29: Week-long bike tour in VT and upper NY State.
L Linda Thomas (697-8640). More details in April Appalachia and Southeast Breeze.

NEW!
A one-year subscription to the Charles River MUD, the informative and lively (if sometimes tasteless and tacky) newsletter of the Boston Chapter, is now available to interested non-Boston Chapter people. Send $4. check or money order made out to Bob Katcher, along with your name, address, and chapter affiliation to the MUDitor, 437 Middlesex Tpk, Billerica, MA 01821.