

HARPSWELL RECREATION AND HARPSWELL HERITAGE LAND TRUST PRESENT

9TH ANNUAL HARPSWELL HIKING CHALLENGE



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Celebrate American Hiking Society's National Trails Day with the Harpswell Hiking Challenge and walk/hike/run eight trails in two days!

Harpswell, Maine's peninsula and 30+ islands have over 200 miles of coastline with beautiful views of Casco Bay and even Mount Washington. This is the 9th year for our hiking challenge. Each year we pick eight trails to hike with total hiking mileage of ~10 miles. You can hike all the trails in one day or over the weekend. Most the trails touch the coastline. Some are long and some short. See if you can complete our Hiking Challenge!

HQ table at Harpswell Town Office will be staffed from 9-4 Saturday and 9-3 on Sunday. Water, snacks, restrooms and information.

OTTER BROOK PRESERVE & TRAIL SYSTEM – GRAND OPENING JUNE 2, 2018

Grand opening celebration at Harpswell Heritage Land Trust, 153 Harpswell Neck Road

- 9:30-10 a.m. Reception and refreshments
- 10-10:30 a.m. Speakers will describe Otter Brook Preserve's natural and historical features

Because of limited parking, we are offering a choice of **three opportunities to walk the property with a guide**. They are as follows:

- 8:30-9:30 a.m. Walk the trail system with one of the volunteers who built it. Meet at Otter Brook Preserve, 429 Harpswell Neck Road
- 10:45 a.m.-12 p.m. Learn about dragonflies, damselflies and other freshwater aquatic insects. Park on private property at 166 Hildreth Road
- 10:45 a.m.-12 p.m. Learn more about the natural and historical features of the preserve. Meet at Otter Brook Preserve, 429 Harpswell Neck Road

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USE THIS FORM

Use the reverse of this form for driving directions and to record your trail hike.

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STICKER BOXES

Boxes are placed on each trail with a sticker inside. Affix sticker to the matching square.

3

RETURN FORM

Return your completed form to the HQ table at Cliff Trail to claim your reward!

These are FREE events. No pre-registration is necessary, just show up! All participants assume risk and responsibility in the event of injury.

FMI-contact Harpswell Recreation 207-833-5771 or recreation@town.harpswell.me.us

Harpswell Hiking Challenge - June 2 & 3



Sticker boxes will be found at each trail's destination point. Take a sticker and apply to the matching square below. When all stickers have been collected, please return form to the HQ table at Cliff Trail (Harpswell Town Office). You will be recognized for completing the Harpswell Hiking Challenge.

The first 100 people to **COMPLETE** the challenge will receive a HHC T-shirt.

We are committed to helping American Hiking Society improve 2802 miles of trail – pick up and bag trash along the way during your hike and return with this sheet – you'll get a special prize!

NEW this year – a fun prize for dogs that complete our challenge!

CLIFF TRAIL
2.3 mile loop, trailhead is located behind Harpswell Town Office, 263 Mountain Rd.

Henry Creek is the destination point.

DEVIL'S BACK EAST
1 mile loop, trailhead is located on south end of parking lot, 1203 Harpswell Islands Rd.

North U-turn is the destination point.

DEVIL'S BACK WEST
1 mile loop, trailhead is located across street from parking, 1203 Harpswell Islands Rd.

North U-turn is the destination point.

WIDGEON COVE TRAIL
.6 mile loop, trailhead is located off parking lot, 709 Harpswell Neck Rd.

Bench with a cove view is the destination point.

CURTIS FARM PRESERVE
1.25 mile trail, trailhead off parking lots. 1554 Harpswell Neck Rd. or 104 Basin Pt. Rd.

Curtis Cove is the destination point.

HOUGHTON GRAVES PARK
Three-acre pocket park with grassy paths. Park on Rte. 24, 1714 Harpswell Islands Road

Second sign is the destination point.

OTTER BROOK PRESERVE
1.6 miles, two loops, trailhead and parking is located at 429 Harpswell Neck Rd.

Intersection of South loop & connector trail is the destination point.

HACKETT & MINOT TRAILS
1 mile loop, trailhead is down Littlefield Road. Parking is at Harpswell Historical Society, 929 Harpswell Neck Red.

Vernal pool is the destination point.

How did you hear about our event? _____

Which trail did you find the most challenging? _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ ZIP _____

Town _____ Email _____

Comments _____
