

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting Place</u>	<u>Leader</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Spring Trail Clearing Workday	23 April 2011, 9:00AM	Town Hall Parking	Trails Committee	2-3 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee will be holding a spring trail clearing workday on Saturday, April 23. Meet at the Town Hall parking lot at 9:00 am. Depending upon the number of volunteers, the group may be split up to work on several trails. Wear a long sleeve shirt and pants, boots, and work gloves. Bring water, mosquito repellent, loppers, bow saw, pruning saw. Some tools will be provided. This is a good opportunity for high school or middle school community service. For more information, contact Steve Tobin at 978-369-1680 or sptobin@comcast.net.
Vernal Pool Walk	17 April 2011, 2:00PM	Town Hall Parking	Conservation Commission and Trails Committee	1-2 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee and the Conservation Commission will host a public vernal pool walk at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 17. Chris Kavalas, former Conservation Commission chairman and a wildlife ecologist will lead the exploration of vernal pools on the Conant Land. This is a great family activity. Wear clothes appropriate for the weather and wet footing. Bring small containers and magnifiers to view some of the smaller examples of vernal pool life. For more information, call Steve Tobin at 1-978-369-1680

Moonlight Walk	19 March 2011, 7:00PM	Closed section of West Street past Pope Road	Trail Committee	1-2 hours	<p>Come join the Trails Committee for a full moon night time walk to the brand new wildlife observation platform in the Benfield Conservation Land. We'll start at dusk at the Spencer Brook Reservation, walking through the fields as the sun sets and the full moon rises, take a short walk along South Street, then enter the Benfield land. A hidden back field slopes down to the extensive Spencer Brook wetlands, a gem of wilderness not many in town are familiar with. The new platform will bring us out to the edge of Spencer Brook, where we'll have a 360 degree view of the moonlit marsh and night sky. The walk, about 1.6 miles round trip, starts at 7 pm on Saturday March 19. Park along the closed section of West Street past Pope Road. Bring a headlamp or flashlight and wear waterproof footwear appropriate for the conditions (could be snow, ice, mud, or standing water). Refreshments will be served at the end. Rain cancels the trip. For more information, contact Steve Tobin atsptobin@comcast.net or 978-369-1680</p>
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Post Thanksgiving Walk	26 November 2010, 1:00PM	Great Brook Main Parking	Trail Committee	3 hours	The public is invited to join the Carlisle Trails Committee for a post-Thanksgiving walk in Great Brook Farm State Park and the aptly named Thanksgiving Forest in Chelmsford. Here's your chance to get some fresh air and work off some of that turkey and stuffing. They will walk for about 3.5 miles, taking approximately 2 1/2 hours, stopping to see the natural and historical sites along the way. Meet at the main State Park parking lot by the pond at 1 p.m. on Friday, November 26. There will be refreshments at the end. Heavy rain cancels the trip.
Mushroom Walk	24 October 2010, 2:00PM	Foss Farm Parking	Kay Fairweather	2 hours	The Trails Committee will host a mushroom walk on Sunday 24 October at 2PM at Foss Farm. The walk will be lead by Kay Fairweather, renowned Biodiversity Corner author. Bring a magnifying glass/hand lens if you have one. Also bring small paper bags if you wish to collect specimens. Meet in the parking lot off of Bedford Road/rte 225. Light refreshments will be served at the end of the walk. or 978 371 0316.

Double Sundae Sunday Saunter	27 June 2010, 11:00AM	Carlisle School parking lot	Trail Committee	5 hours	Meet at Carlisle School parking lot. Walk to Kimball's and buy ice cream. Walk 2.8 miles to Great Brook Farm Ice Cream via Cutter's Ridge, Heartbreak Ridge, and Pine Point Loop trails, arriving around 1:30. Buy ice cream and relax on the grassy hillside by the pond. Walk 3.5 miles back to the Carlisle School parking lot via Fern Loop, Old Morse Road, and Conant Land trails, arriving around 4. Sun screen, drinking water, and bug spray are recommended.
Trail Maintenance	15 & 23 May 2010, 9:00AM	Foss Farm Parking	Trail Committee	2-3 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee is looking for volunteers to help repair trail damage from the March floods on trails in Great Meadows and the Greenough conservation land. We will be working Saturday, May 15 and Sunday, May 23. The first day will be mostly clearing debris from the trails, and the second day will be repairing bridges and boardwalks. Bring loppers, bow saws, and rakes if you have them on May 15, or use our tools. On May 23, a hammer would be useful. For both days, meet at the Foss Farm parking lot on Bedford Road at 9 am. The rains brought a bumper crop of mosquitoes, so wear a long sleeve shirt and pants, boots, work gloves, and bring bug spray or a head net and drinking water. This is a good opportunity for high school or middle school community service. For more information, contact Steve Tobin at sptobin@comcast.net or 978-369-1680.

Boardwalk Construction	1 May 2010, 9:00AM	Hanover Hill Road	Trail Committee	5-6 hours	Come help the Trails Committee build two boardwalks on the Hanover Hill conservation easement, Saturday, May 1, starting at 9:00 am. Drive in the Hanover Hill road directly across from Cross Street on the Westford Road. We will be cutting the decking boards to length and bushwhacking the materials through the woods to the site. We will also be hauling in 250 lb. concrete bumpers from the Virginia Farm end of the trail on a bicycle. This is a good opportunity for high school and middle school community service. Bring work gloves, hammers, nail aprons. Lunch will be provided. Heavy rain postpones to Sunday, May 2. For more information, contact Steve Tobin at 978-369-1680 or sptobin@comcast.net .
Vernal Pool Walk	11 April 2010, 2:00PM	Maple Street Parking	ConsComm and Trail Committee.	2 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee and the Conservation Commission will host a public vernal pool walk at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 11. Christine Kavalauskas, former Conservation

Moonlight Walk	30 January 2010, 7:00PM	Foss Farm Parking	Trail Committee	1-2 hours	The Trails Committee will lead a public walk/cross-country ski/snowshoe under the full moon starting from the Foss Farm parking lot on Bedford Road. A shorter and a longer version of the walk will be available. One group will ski through Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge to Greenough Pond and back if conditions are good. Children are welcome but dogs are not allowed in the Refuge part of the walk. Dress for the winter weather and bring a flashlight. Refreshments will be served afterwards. For more information, call Steve Tobin at 978-369-1680 or sptobin@comcast.net.
Post Thanksgiving Walk	27 November 2009, 1:00PM	Great Brook Main Parking	Trail Committee	3 hours	The public is invited to join the Carlisle Trails Committee for a post-Thanksgiving walk in Great Brook Farm State Park and the aptly named Thanksgiving Forest in Chelmsford. Here's your chance to get some fresh air and work off some of that turkey and stuffing. They will walk for about 3.5 miles, taking approximately 2 1/2 hours, stopping to see the natural and historical sites along the way. Meet at the main State Park parking lot by the pond at 1 p.m. on Friday, November 27. There will be refreshments at the end. Heavy rain cancels the trip.

Hanover Hill Trail Clearing	16 August 2009, 9:00AM	End of Virginia Farme Road	Trail Committee	3 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee is looking for volunteers to help cut a new trail in the Hanover Hill subdivision. The trail goes from the cul de sac at the end of Virginia Farme Road to one of the roads in the new subdivision. Meet at the dead end of Virginia Farme Road at 9 a.m. on Sunday, August 16. The group will work for 2 or 3 hours. No experience necessary. Bring loppers and bow saws if you have them, or borrow our tools.
Double Sundae Sunday Saunter	28 June 2009, 11:00AM	Carlisle School parking lot	Trail Committee	5 hours	Meet at Carlisle School parking lot. Walk to Kimball's and buy ice cream. Anne Marie Brako will share some tales of the history of the Bates Farm area. Walk 2.8 miles to Great Brook Farm Ice Cream via Cutter's Ridge, Heartbreak Ridge, and Pine Point Loop trails, arriving around 1:30. Buy ice cream and relax on the grassy hillside by the pond. Optional car shuttle back to Carlisle center for those wanting to attend the 2:00 dedication of the veteran's memorial. Walk 3.5 miles back to the Carlisle School parking lot via Fern Loop, Old Morse Road, and Conant Land trails, arriving around 4. Sun screen, drinking water, and bug spray are recommended.

River Trail Walk and Picnic	14 June 2009, 11:00AM	Foss Farm parking lot	Trail Committee	3 hours	Hike along the River Trail and bring a picnic lunch to enjoy at scenic Greenough Pond; we'll supply desserts. Return by the Red Tail Trail through fields, pine forests, and a bridge over a beaver pond. Waterproof boots, water, and mosquito repellent recommended.
Vernal pool walk	April 26 2009, 2:00PM	West Street near the intersection with Apple Grove Lane Please park along the west side of West Street. We do not have permission to park on the Apple Grove Lane bridge.	Chris Kavalauskas	2 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee and the Conservation Commission will host a public vernal pool walk at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 26. Chris Kavalauskas, former Conservation Commission chairman and wildlife ecologist will lead the exploration of vernal pools on land owned by the Carlisle Conservation Foundation located on the east side of West Street near the intersection with Apple Grove Lane. She will also bring some sample vernal pool obligate species. This is a great family activity. Wear clothes appropriate for the weather and wet footing. Bring small containers and magnifiers to view some of the smaller examples of vernal pool life. (A white Frisbee would be excellent for this!) Note that the trail leading to one vernal pool rises steeply for a short distance. Refreshments will be served after the walk. For more information, call Henry Cox: 978-371-0316.

<p>Greenough Bridge Construction</p>	<p>April 11 2009, 9:00AM</p>	<p>Greenough Bridge</p> <p>There are two ways to reach the bridge:</p> <p>1) use the parking lot on Maple Street, the longer walk, or</p>	<p>Trail Committee</p>	<p>9AM until done</p>	<p>The Carlisle Trails Committee has been making preparations for the first bridge building effort of 2009. You are invited to join us this Saturday, April 11, starting at 9:00 am (or any other time you can spare during the day). The bridge on the eastern tip of Greenough Pond is being replaced. Part of the project involves work in standing water so bring knee-high waterproof boots if you have them. There will be lots of nailing so bring your favorite hammer, nail apron, tape measure, etc. The Trails Committee generally supplies all the other tools required.</p> <p>Please help carry in any building materials you see at the trail head.</p> <p>Coffee and doughnuts and lunch will be provided.</p>
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2) take the trail from the Greenough barn. Take Maple Street (which turns into Treble Cove Rd. in Billerica) to Route 4, head south to the river, just before the river turn right onto "River Edge" and drive to the end. There is a dirt driveway that dips down to the barn. is recommended that you walk down the driveway as it is badly rutted and requires a high clearance vehicle. Take the trail north between the pond and the barn (0.4 mi).

This is a good opportunity to earn Community Service hours (contact Steve Tobin if you have questions: 978-369-1680). For other questions contact Steve Tobin or Henry Cox: 978-371-0316.

Moonlight Walk	January 10 2009, 7:00PM	Cranberry Bog House	Trail Committee	1-2 hours	The Carlisle Trails Committee will be holding its annual winter walk under a full moon on Saturday, January 10. Meet at the Cranberry Bog house on Curve Street at 7:00 p.m. We will walk the bog in Carlisle and into Chelmsford. Snow conditions permitting, cross country skis or snowshoes may be appropriate. Bring a flashlight. Refreshments will be provided after the walk. For more information, call Steve Tobin at 369-1680.
Post-Thanksgiving Walk	November 28 2008, 1:00PM	Malcolm Meadows parking lot	Trail Committee	1 hour; 2 1/2 hours	The public is invited to join the Carlisle Trails Committee for a post-Thanksgiving walk in the Davis Corridor conservation land. Here's your
Davis Corridor Boardwalk Construction	Sept 13, 20, 27 2008, 9:00AM	End of Nowell Farme Road	Trail Committee	5-6 hours each day	The Trails Committee will be building its longest ever boardwalk in September, in the Davis Corridor conservation land, and we need a lot of volunteers to help. The work will be spread over three weekends - please save these dates. Saturday, September 13 we will do the foundation work, rain date September 14. September 20 we will cut the wood decking and move it to the site, rain date September 21. Saturday September 27 we will do the actual construction, rain date September 28. Work starts at 9:00 am and runs into the afternoon. Lunch and drinks will be provided. Watch for more details in the Mosquito, at our web site carlisletrails.pbwiki.com , or contact Steve Tobin at 978-369-1680.

Double Sundae Sunday Saunter	29 June 2008, 11:00AM	Carlisle School parking lot	Trail Committee	5 hours	Meet at Carlisle School parking lot. Walk to Great Brook Farm Ice Cream (3.5 mile) via Lowell St. pathway, Old Morse Road trail, and Fern Loop, arriving around 1:00. Eat ice cream while Anne Marie Brako talks about the history of the Great Brook Farm area. Leave Great Brook and walk 2.8 miles to Kimball's Ice Cream via Pine Point Loop, Heartbreak Ridge, and Cutter's Ridge, arriving around 3:15 p.m. Buy more ice cream. Return to Carlisle School parking lot around 4. Sun screen, drinking water, and bug spray are recommended.
River Trail Walk and Picnic	14 June 2008, 11:00AM	Foss Farm parking lot	Trail Committee	3 hours	Hike along the River Trail and bring a picnic lunch to enjoy at scenic Greenough Pond; we'll supply desserts. Return by the Red Tail Trail through fields, pine forests, and a bridge over a beaver pond. Waterproof boots, water, and mosquito repellent recommended.
Walk/Ski/Snowshoe under the full moon	19 January 2008, 7:00PM	Foss Farm parking lot	Trail Committee	1-2 hours	A shorter and a longer version of the trek will be available. One group will ski to Greenough Pond and back if conditions are good. Dress for the winter weather and bring a flashlight. Post-walk refreshments will be served
Day after Thanksgiving walk	23 November 2007, 1:00PM	Towle parking lot (Off Bedford Road)	Trail Committee	2 hours	Both longer and shorter routes will be available for participants of varying age and ability. Post-walk refreshments will be served

Davis Corridor Boardwalk Construction	11/03/2007 09:00am	Malcom Meadows Trail Parking Lot	Trail Committee	Until completion	Two boardwalks to build. Bring hammers, nail aprons, gloves, eye protection, and waterproof boots. Food and drink will be provided. Community Service!!!
Old Home day - Double Sundae Sunday Saunter	07/01/2007 11:00am	School parking lot on Church Street.	Trail Committee	4 hours	Lunch break at Bates followed by a little something at Great Brook.
Riverfest walk - Foss to	6/17/2007 11:00am	Foss Farm	Trail Committee	3 hours	Lunch break at the barn - bring your own. Waterproof boots, water, and mosquito
Towle Land Boardwalk Construction	11/04/2007 09:00am	Bingham St. near trail entrance	Trail Committee	Until Completion	Bring hammers, nail aprons, gloves, eye protection, and waterproof boots. Food and drink will be provided. Community Service!!!
Vernal pool walk -	4/29/2007 2:00 PM	Greenough parking on Maple St near	Chris Kavalasuskas		Wear weather-appropriate clothes and foot gear, and bring small containers and magnifiers.