

KITTATINNY VALLEY STATE PARK- FALL & WINTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2019 – March 2020

****Pre-registration by 3:00 PM of the day prior to the program date is REQUIRED for ALL programs, except Wednesday Walkers. Please call (973) 786-6445. Programs meet at the KVSP Visitor Center located 1 mile north of Route 206, off Goodale Rd. in Andover, unless otherwise noted. Adults must accompany children at all times. Pets are only permitted during Bark Buddies Walks.***

For a list of upcoming programs, visit us on the web at:

www.facebook.com/kittatinnystatepark

www.meetup.com/Kittatinnny-Valley-State-Park

www.njparksandforests.org/parks/kittatinnny_calendar.htm

WEDNESDAY WALKERS 4th ANNIVERSARY

Wednesday, October 2 from 9:00– 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. For adults. Help us celebrate 4 years of all-weather walking and great camaraderie with this extra-special event to soak in the autumn scenery and socialize with friends. Complimentary coffee, tea, and light refreshments.

WEDNESDAY WALK & FOREST FIRE SERVICE TOUR

Wednesday, October 9 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Free. Meet in the Limecrest Road entrance parking lot. For adults. It's Fire Prevention Day! Join us for a very special tour of the Aeroflex Airport and Division A HQ led by the men and women of the NJ Forest Fire Service. Autumn scenery abounds on this 2-mile walk followed by complimentary coffee/tea and light refreshments. Rain or shine.

RID LITTER DAY

Thursday, October 10 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Free. Adults. Beautify one mile of Goodale Rd. (2.5-mile round-trip). Bags, gloves, and light refreshments provided.

BARK BUDDIES WALK

Thurs., Oct. 10 from 5:00 - 6:00 PM and Tues. Oct.22 from 11:00 AM - NOON

Free. Teens & adults. Bring your *friendly* pooch to the park to socialize with other two- and four-legged visitors on this 2-mile walk. Dogs must be on a 6-foot (or less) hand-held leash at all times and cleaned-up after.

EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST WALK

Thursday, October 17 from 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Free, breakfast additional (CASH ONLY). Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area.

Celebrate autumn while searching for migrating birds on this 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the historic Sussex Branch Trail. Breakfast at the Millside Café in Lafayette.

WEDNESDAY WALK

Wednesday, October 23 from 9:00 – 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. For adults. Start your day off right by stretching your legs, breathing some fresh air, and soaking in the autumn scenery on this 2.5-mile walk. Complimentary tea, coffee, and light refreshments served afterwards.

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TREES & TEAS

Thursday, October 24 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Free (lunch additional). MUST register for 11:00 AM seating by Oct. 17. Call Lorraine's Cake Shoppe & Tea Room at (973) 579-5300. Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area. Rain or shine. Adults. Discover New Jersey's native tree species in their fall finery and learn simple tricks to tell them apart on this 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the Sussex Branch Trail.

WHIMSICAL WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Wednesday, October 30 from 9:00 – 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. All ages. Calling all witches and wizards to convene at KVSP in your Halloween finery! Costumes not required, but we're all kids at heart, so brush off your broomstick and get in the spirit of the season on this very special 2.5-mile walk. Complimentary coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and sweet treats served afterwards.

FULL FROSTY MOON HIKE

Tuesday, November 12 from 6:30 - 8:00 PM

FEE: \$7 Teens & adults. Headlamp/flashlight required. Limited quantity for sale. Let's celebrate the full moon of November with a unique after-dark 3-mile hike in the park, followed by hot chocolate and moon pies in the visitor center.

WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Wednesdays, November 13, 20 & 27 from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. For adults. Get half of your "10,000 steps" for the day while soaking in the autumn scenery in the company of friends on this 2.5-mile walk. Complimentary tea, coffee, and light refreshments served afterwards.

RID LITTER DAY

Friday, November 15 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Free. Adults. Do good on Goodale Rd. by picking up litter along one scenic mile (2.5-mile round-trip). Bags, gloves, & light refreshments provided.

EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST WALK

Thursday, November 21 from 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Free (breakfast additional, CASH ONLY). Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area.

Let's familiarize ourselves with our feathered friends on this 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the Sussex Branch Trail. Breakfast midway at the Millside Café.

WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Wednesdays, December 4 from 10:00 - 11:00 AM; Dec. 11 & 18 from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. For adults. Start your day off right with a brisk 2.5-mile walk in the park to stretch your legs and soak in the winter scenery with friends. Complimentary tea, coffee, and light refreshments served afterwards.

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RID LITTER DAY

Friday, December 6 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Free. Teens & adults. Give Mother Nature a gift by picking up litter along Goodale Road (2.5-mile round-trip). Bags, gloves, and light refreshments provided.

FULL COLD MOON HIKE

Thursday, December 12 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM

FEE: \$7 Teens & adults. Headlamp/flashlight required. Limited quantity for sale. Let's celebrate the full moon of December with a unique after-dark 3-mile hike in the park, followed by hot chocolate and moon pies in the visitor center.

EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST WALK

Thursday, December 19 from 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Free (breakfast additional, CASH ONLY). Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area.

For adults. Brighten up your winter with feathered friends and breakfast buddies on this 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the Sussex Branch Trail to the Millside Café in Lafayette.

WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Wed., January 1 from 10:00 -11:00 AM; January 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. For adults. Start your year off right with a brisk 2.5-mile walk in the park to stretch your legs and soak in the winter scenery with friends. Complimentary tea, coffee, and light refreshments served afterwards.

RID LITTER DAY

Friday, January 3 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Free. Adults. Do good on Goodale Rd. by picking up litter along one scenic mile (2.5-mile round-trip). Bags, gloves, & light refreshments provided.

WOLF MOON NIGHT HIKE

Friday, January 10 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM

FEE: \$7 Teens & adults. Headlamp/flashlight required. Limited quantity for sale. Let's celebrate the full moon of January with a unique after-dark 3-mile hike in the park, followed by hot chocolate and moon pies in the visitor center.

EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST WALK

Thursday, January 16 from 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Free (breakfast additional, CASH ONLY). Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area.

For adults. Brighten up your winter with feathered friends and breakfast buddies on this 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the Sussex Branch Trail to the Millside Café in Lafayette.

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WILDFLOWERS IN WINTER

Saturday, January 25 & Tuesday, January 28 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

FEE: \$15 Adults. Add intrigue to your next winter walk by learning to identify the beautiful dried remains of wildflowers with your own take-home field guide! Indoor program.

BARK BUDDIES WALK

Saturday, January 25 from 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Free. Teens & adults. Bring your *friendly* pooch to the park to socialize with other two- and four-legged visitors on this 2-mile walk. Dogs must be on a 6-foot (or less) hand-held leash at all times and cleaned-up after.

18th ANNUAL HOT CHOCOLATE HIKE/SNOWSHOE

Saturday, February 1 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

FEE: \$7 Adults. Tired of being cooped up inside? Join us for a brisk hike (or snowshoe) in the wild winter woods of KVSP then warm up with a cup of hot chocolate and refreshments.

WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Wednesdays, February 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 9:00—10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. Adults. Start your day off right with a brisk 2.5-mile walk in the park to stretch your legs and soak in the winter scenery with friends. Complimentary tea, coffee, and light refreshments served afterwards.

RID LITTER DAY

Friday, February 7 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Free. Adults. Do good on Goodale Rd. by picking up litter along one scenic mile (2.5-mile round-trip). Bags, gloves, & light refreshments provided.

SNOW MOON NIGHT HIKE

Saturday, February 8 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM

FEE: \$7 Teens & adults. Headlamp/flashlight required. Limited quantity for sale. Let's celebrate the full moon of February with a unique after-dark 3-mile hike in the park, followed by hot chocolate and moon pies in the visitor center.

HEARTWARMING HIKE/SNOWSHOE & POTLUCK

Friday, February 14 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Free (see description for donations). Adults. Experience the beauty of KVSP in winter with fellow nature lovers on this 3-mile hike, then warm up with hot chocolate and potluck in our cozy visitor center! Please bring: 1) An appetizer or finger-food to share, 2) a Valentine card, and 3) please also consider donating a book to celebrate International Book Giving Day!

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EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST WALK

Thursday, February 20 from 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Free (breakfast additional, CASH ONLY). Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area.

Adults. Brighten up your winter with feathered friends and breakfast buddies on this 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the Sussex Branch Trail to the Millside Café in Lafayette.

WINTER TREE ID: BUDS, BARK & BRANCHES

Saturday, February 22 & Tuesday, February 25 from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

FEE: \$15 Adults. Add intrigue to your next winter walk by learning to identify trees by their buds, bark, and branching with your own take-home field guide! Indoor program.

WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Free. No pre-registration required. For adults. Put some “Spring” in your step and soak in the scenery on this 2.5-mile walk in the park. Complimentary coffee, tea, & light refreshments served afterward.

RID LITTER DAY

Friday, March 6 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Free. Teens & adults. “Keep America Beautiful” by picking up litter along Goodale Road (2.5-mile round-trip). Bags, gloves, litter pickers, and light refreshments provided.

SUGAR MOON NIGHT HIKE

Monday, March 9 from 7:30 - 9:00 PM

FEE: \$7 Teens & adults. Headlamp/flashlight required. Limited quantity for sale. Experience the park in the dark on this 3-mile hike to enjoy the full moon of March. Hot chocolate & sweet treats afterward!

EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST WALK

Thursday, March 19 from 8:30 - 11:00 AM

Free (breakfast additional, CASH ONLY). Meet at the Warbasse Junction Rd. parking area. For

adults. Have an appetite for the outdoors? Let’s celebrate “almost-spring” with a 2.5-mile round-trip walk along the Sussex Branch Trail & breakfast at the Millside Café in Lafayette.

THE NATURE OF VERNAL POOLS

Saturday, March 28 from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

FEE: \$7 Adults and children 12 & up, \$5 children ages 9-11. Learn all about New Jersey’s awesome amphibians, then explore a vernal pool to meet its inhabitants in person!