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Welcome to Cold River Camp!

We are looking forward to an excellent sixth season as summer managers at Cold River. We feel incredibly fortunate to get to spend the summer in this beautiful place. We are thankful to have a veteran staff returning for another season with us. Don't be surprised to see a lot of familiar faces! We are thrilled that **Connie Morse** is returning again as our assistant manager to help keep everything in top shape. **Zachary Porter, Kyle Soeltz, and Jonathan Burke** will be serving up yet another summer of tasty meals. On the crew **Fiona Graham** is back for her second season. Joining her are seven other crew members that you will enjoy getting to know: **Lydia, Currenn, Ted, Peter, Noah**, and our two Molly's: **Molly Cahill and Molly Gibbs**. But for now it's time to settle in and get down to the business of summer. Relax and enjoy your stay. Welcome Back..

Laurie & Jim

Laurie Barr & Jim DiCarlo, with Ruby and Sadie
Cold River Camp Managers ●



BACK: Zachary, Kyle, Jonathan
MIDDLE: Jim, Currenn, Lydia, Noah, Peter, Ted, Laurie, Fiona
FRONT: Molly Gibbs, Molly Cahill *PHOTO by Sadie*
NOT PICTURED: Connie, Ruby & Sadie

2014 REGULAR SEASON STAFF & CREW

Laurie Barr & Jim DiCarlo, Managers, Exeter, NH
Connie Morse, Assistant Manager, Exeter, NH
Zachary Porter, Head Chef, New Durham, NH
Kyle Soeltz, Assistant Chef, Acton, MA
Jonathan Burke, Prep Cook, Vista, CA

2014 Crew

Molly Cahill, Medway, MA
Molly Gibbs, Bradford, MA
Fiona Graham, Wilton, NH
Lydia Green, Brooklyn, NY
Ted Grover, Bolton, VT
Currenn Mackie-Malcolm, Stow, ME
Peter Howe, Gilmanton Iron Works, NH
Noah Huizenga, Norwich, VT



To our guests at Cold River Camp (CRC):

The tradition of great led hikes continues at CRC. We encourage you to take advantage of them... long, short, easy, moderate, hard, you choose. In addition, with only two hikes being offered each day, and access to the Wilderness Areas limited, guests will be organizing their own hikes. If you need information or suggestions, ask our leaders, who have spent many years hiking in the area around CRC and in the White Mountains. Guidebooks, including the most recent **AMC White Mountain Guide** and **Don Devine's Cold River Camp, A.M.C. Hiking Guide 7.1 2012** are available to borrow in the Conant Lodge.

Our trip leaders have one goal in mind – to see that our guests have a safe, enjoyable vacation at our beloved CRC. Although we hope that our training will not be needed, all CRC leaders are currently certified in Wilderness First Aid and CPR.

Wherever your footsteps take you, take time to relax, enjoy the view, pick the blueberries, breathe in the clean mountain air and admire the native flora and fauna. Take time to read that book you've been neglecting, paint, nap or swim at the Dam. And always enjoy the great cooking at CRC.. Step back in time, away from our current world of stress and have a great experience at CRC.



Looking for a new area to explore? **Eastman Mountain, 2,939'**, is just across the street from CRC and receives very few visitors. Its rocky summit offers views in all directions and, in the right season, blueberries. The trail ascends Eastman Mountain from the Slippery Brook Trail., which runs from the south branch of the Baldface Circle Trail 0.9 miles from NH 113 through the col between South Baldface and Eastman Mountain. From the Slippery Brook trail, the Eastman Mountain Trail follows the north ridge, where outlook points provide fine views of South Baldface and Sable Mountain. It continues generally southeast to the summit with rewarding views.

Back at the col between Eastman Mountain and South Baldface, follow the South Baldface Knob Trail toward the Knob where some of the best blueberries of the area found. When the canteens are full of blueberries, one can continue up to the summit of South Baldface or return to Camp via the Baldface Circle Trail. Trail mileage from NH 113 is 4.3 miles with an elevation gain of 2,319 ft to the summit of Eastman Mountain.

In keeping with CRC's Sustainability Policy, remember that there are many hikes of varying degrees of difficulty within Evans Valley – from rocky summits to cool, inviting pools – some of which can be done from CRC on foot. If you must drive, carpooling is always encouraged.

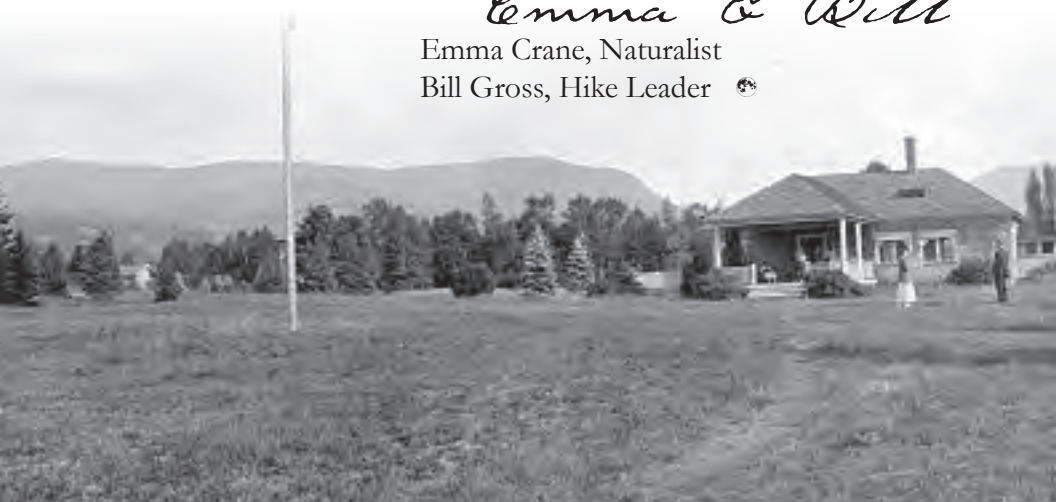
See you on the hiking trails---

Your leader coordinators,

Emma & Bill

Emma Crane, Naturalist

Bill Gross, Hike Leader 🌍



Helpful Hints for CRC

by Sally Morris

Here is a glimpse into the possibilities that draw us back each year to CRC. Are you new to Camp? Did you think you had exhausted all the options? Let us share some of the customs that old timers know to make a week at camp even more enjoyable.

Packing List: Summer hikers know that they need good boots and socks, raincoats and warm layers, water bottles, maps, sunscreen, and bug dope, in addition to snacks and lunch, before they hit the trail. At CRC, close to brooks and rivers, some people pack a swimsuit and light towel, or even water shoes, for trips. Some prefer to pack lunch in reusable containers (i.e., sandwich boxes and snack cups) from home to reduce waste.

Enjoy time in Camp: CRC is first and foremost a hiking camp, but it is also so beloved in large part for the companionship that can be found so easily just inside the gate. The buildings were designed to encourage people to enjoy each other's company, but also to provide retreat and relaxation. How do campers while away the day when they just don't feel like hiking? Reading, drawing, or napping on the porch is refreshing. Some spend part of the day picking from the low-bush blueberry meadow. Gardeners enjoy the garden around the porch, designed with local and xeriscaping plants, complete with a map and botanical names. The garden is full of birds, especially hummingbirds, for the ornithologists.



Interior of Hall, Cold River Camp, North Chatham, N.H.

The Rec Hall, with a piano and a ping pong table, is the spot for evening programs. Guests can read through naturalist materials on the walls and tables. The building provides a great option for rainy day activities.

The Camp Library is for people who crave silence and a good book, or perhaps a little unfinished work. For children, the Lodge provides a well-loved collection of books for all ages in addition to board games and cards. Rather than a rigorous day hike, some campers enjoy the gentle trails that encircle camp: the Conant Path and the Tea House Trail, both of which lead to the Cold River and can be combined into one nice loop. Small children enjoy the varied woodland views along the Conant Path, which starts behind the Cox cabin, skirts along a farm property, then descends to the river, providing lots of puttering opportunities in little streams, full of mushrooms and fungi. Occasional benches along the way or glimpses onto the river are a treat to discover. The Tea House is a screened gazebo, a soothing spot with the sounds of the brook and the river just below. Campers enjoy this retreat for art projects, reading, or a quiet lunch picnic.

Early mornings at Camp are magical. The sunrise cresting over Little Deer, lighting the Baldfaces, draws the early bird to the Porch where the weather update is posted and hot coffee, tea, or hot chocolate is ready before the horn blows. On cold mornings, the fire in the Lodge draws people together before breakfast to plan their day's outing.

Other Tips: Some pack a sleeping bag or comforter instead of heavy wool blankets. Families with children prefer battery operated lamps to the kerosene. Wool blanket under the bottom sheet makes the bed warmer.

Outings or Activities: Post-dinner drive to Moose Blind or Deer Hill Bog Blind. Esther Williams Pool (on the Wild River) for a slightly warmer swim. Sebago Lake beaches and Songo Locks. Antiquing in Bethel. Eastman Homestead Day on the Farm. Square Dancing in the Rec Hall. Games on the Lawn (soccer, badminton, Frisbee, tether ball). Playground. Pre-breakfast hike up Little Deer. Sing-a longs. Finding and exploring the lesser known trails: Speckled's Cold Brook Link Trail to the Ledges. Albany Basins. Grafton Notch. Mount Sabbatus. Lowe's Bald Spot. Rumford White Cap. 🍷

New Reservation Timeframe for 2015!

To better serve summer vacation planning, AMC Cold River Camp's reservation timeframe is shifting to January 1st beginning in 2015. Please see below for important 2015 reservation dates and information!

Summer and Extension Seasons Full Week Reservations:

- Full Week reservation requests are accepted beginning January 1st.
- Reservation requests postmarked from January 1st through February 1st are co-mingled and processed using a lottery selection if requested weeks are over-subscribed.
- Reservations postmarked after February 1st are welcome and will be considered in the order in which they are received, and after all those postmarked between January 1st and February 1st have been processed.

Summer Season Partial Week Reservations:

- Reservation requests for the Cold River Camp Sampler (3 or 4 night stay with a Saturday arrival or departure) are accepted beginning March 31st, subject to availability.
- Partial week reservation requests, with a required two night minimum, are accepted beginning June 20th, subject to availability.

Extension Season Partial Week Reservations:

- Partial week reservation requests, with a required two night minimum, are accepted beginning March 31st subject to availability.

Cancellations:

- Cancellations received prior to March 31st will receive 50% deposit refund.
- No refunds are allowed after March 31st.
- Payment in full is required if a cancellation request is not received at least 14 days prior to scheduled arrival.

Reservation requests from January 1st to June 20th:

Lois Winkler, Registrar, 17 Southview St., Pleasantville, NY 10570
(914) 747-3194, before 9 PM, please.

Reservations requests after June 20th:

Managers, AMC Cold River Camp, 32 AMC Road, Chatham, NH 03813-5201
(603) 694-3291

New Summer and Extension Season Calendar for 2015!

Beginning in 2015, AMC Cold River Camp will offer eight weeks of summer season full service, directly followed by two weeks of extension season service, concluding on Labor Day.

Summer Season 2015

June 27 – July 4	CRC Guest Week 1
July 4 – 11	CRC Guest Week 2
July 11 – 18	CRC Guest Week 3
July 18 – 25	CRC Guest Week 4
July 25 – August 1	CRC Guest Week 5
August 1 – 8	CRC Guest Week 6
August 8 – 15	CRC Guest Week 7
August 15 – 22	CRC Guest Week 8
August 22	End of Summer Season

Extension Season 2015

August 22 – September 7	CRC Extension Season
September 7	End of Extension Season



South Side of Conant Lodge

Sept 1918. B.M.

Naturalist Program at Cold River Camp

During most weeks of the summer season at Cold River Camp (CRC) one of our trip leaders is a naturalist, familiar with the natural world in New England. While the naturalists will lead trips, they are also a source of information to the guests. They are very willing to share their knowledge of special places in the area including:

Deer Hill Bog Wildlife Blind (USFS) (11 minute drive) best visited early morning or after dinner. Frogs, turtles, ducks, beaver, geese and, if lucky, moose can be seen.

Lord Hill Mine (15-30 minute drive, 45-90 minute hike depending on trail used. Easy hike to a lunch spot with a great view and a mine for the young at heart. Safety goggles and hammers are available at CRC – check with the naturalist or manager.

Leach Link - Cross the CRC Dam, turn left and follow the trail for a mile alongside Cold River before ending at Stone House Road. At Stone House Road there are two options to return to CRC. Either turn left toward Rte. 113 and then left on Rte. 113 or return via Leach Link.

For a longer hike, turn right on the Stone House Road to access the trails on Blueberry Mountain or Shell Pond. More detailed trail descriptions can be found in the **AMC's White Mountain Guide** or



Don Devine's Cold River Camp, A.M.C. Hiking Guide 7.1 2012

– copies of which are available to borrow in the Lodge. Copies of Don Devine's trail guide can be purchased at CRC.

In camp, take along your copy of the Tea House Path – Conant Path Nature Trail Loop guide included in your packet of CRC information and leisurely walk the trail along Cold River. Please note that the Conant Path has been extended along the pasture (between markers 18 and 19) at a much gentler grade. The former steep trail over the edge of the Kame Terrace has been discontinued.

Along the way, a granite memorial bench on the Conant Path invites you to relax and listen to Cold River as it makes its way south. The screened Tea House, on the Tea House Path, invites you in to spend time and enjoy the sounds of nature.

Other special activities include walking along Wild River; picking blueberries on Blueberry Mountain, Black Cap or Baldface Knob; enjoying a quick dip into Emerald or Rattlesnake Pools; discovering aquatic wildlife around Basin and Province Ponds; exploring mines; finding abandoned ruins from the CCC and logging periods of local history; and locating Esther Williams Pool.

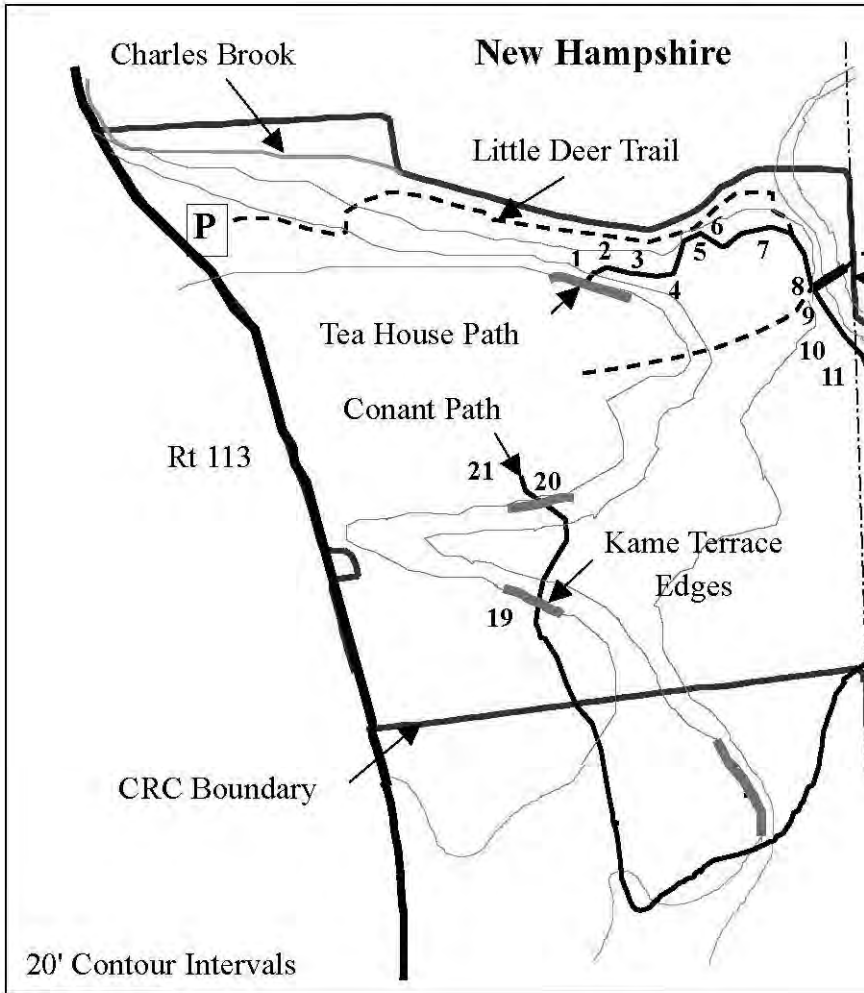
For our younger guests we have a Jr. Naturalist Program with booklets designed for three age groups. Parents, and grandparents, are encouraged to work with their children in fulfilling the requirements, and upon completion, patches are awarded during Friday evening's Talent Show. The Naturalist is available for advice and help oversees this program. There is also a coloring book for our very young guests.

Field guides for wildflowers, trees, birds and stars are available in Conant Lodge for guests to borrow. Look for Naturally Curious by Mary Holland – a well-written photographic field guide and month-by-month journey through the natural world of New England. There are also books for children in the Jr. Naturalist Library in the Lodge, as well as equipment for water studies in the Recreation Hall's Naturalist Toolbox.

Emma Crane

CRC Naturalist Coordinator ●

AMC Cold River Camp



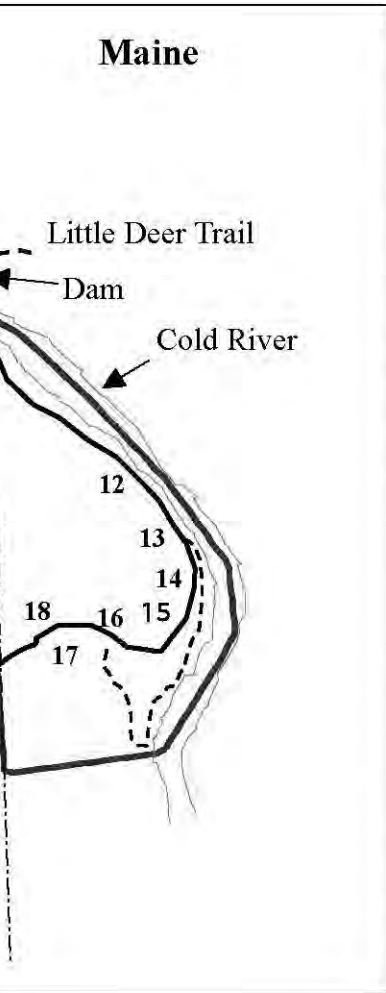
Map by Bob Crane, 2011

New Hampshire -



Historic Court House (the dam is in upper-right background) at Cold River Camp, North Chatham, N.H.

NATURE TRAIL



Numbers on posts beside the trail

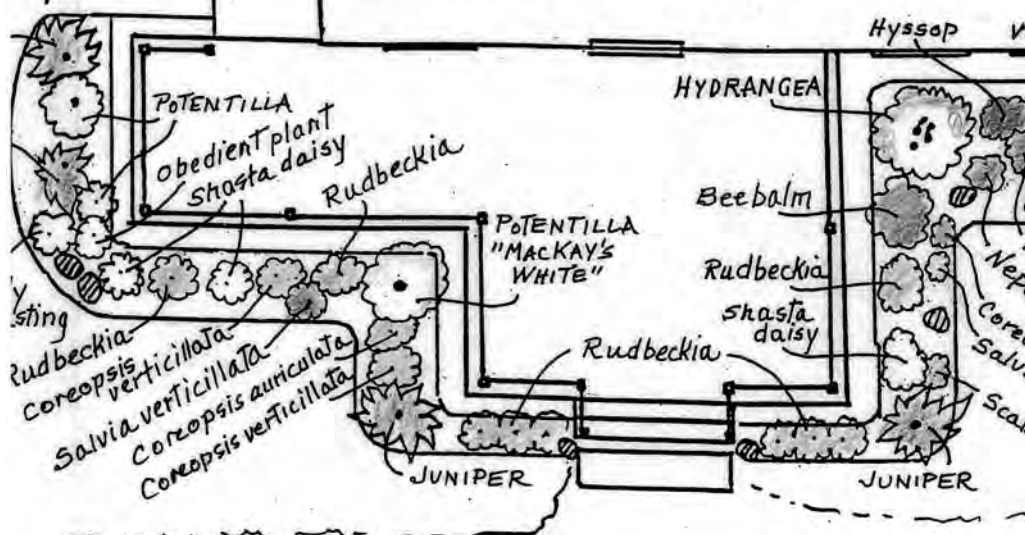
Key:

- 1 Tea House Path
- 2 Non-native Plants
- 3 Success Story
- 4 Transition Zone
- 5 Prior Human Presence
- 6 Charles Brook
- 7 Ravine Floor
- 8 Chester Pool and Dam
- 9 Conant Path
- 10 Pillows and Cradles
- 11 Beech Bark Disease
- 12 Granite Memorial Bench
- 13 Returning to Earth
- 14 Forest Canopy
- 15 Where are the Flowers?
- 16 Dinosaur Plants
- 17 Wetland Indicator Plants
- 18 Trees with Rectangular Holes
- 19 Kame Terrace
- 20 Original Camp Buildings
- 21 Blueberry Fields

-Maine

Check out the new combined Tea House Path and Conant Path self guiding nature trail. Trail guide brochures will be handed to our guests upon arrival at CRC. Additional copies will be available in the Lodge and on the web. In addition, we have placed identifying labels along the combined trail for each different plant specie.

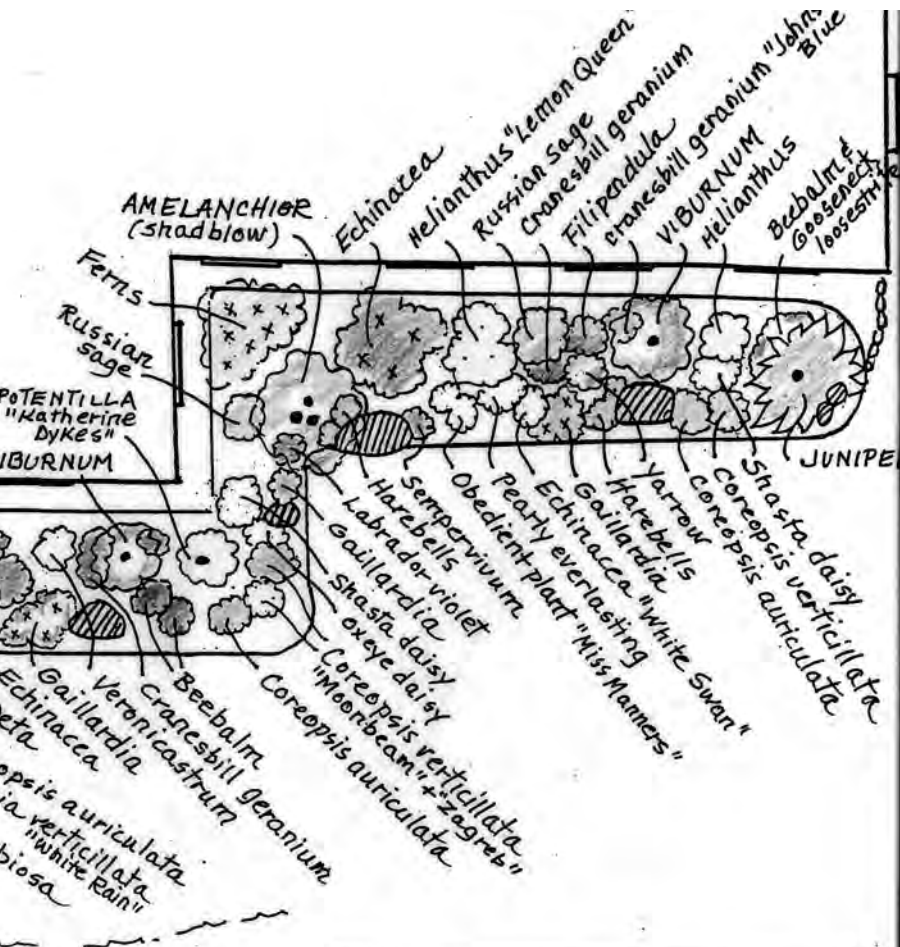
begun in 2000 by a team of volunteers. It is designed to be educational as well as beautiful. Plants have been selected that are perennial, cold-hardy, suited to or tolerant of the hot, sunny, often dry site, and that will be in bloom primarily July through early September. The native Shad tree and viburnums were planted for berries for wildlife; the beebalms, scabiosas, and others were planted to attract butterflies and hummingbirds. Though there are non-natives and cultivated cousins of wildflowers added for variety, more than half of the types of plants included are native plants. Mulch will be used but little or no fertilizer or chemical controls. By working with material suited to this environment and the needs of the camp, we hope for a healthy, long-lived, low-maintenance garden. The garden's performance is evaluated each year, and adjustments made: unsuccessful plants are removed, new types tried. A list of plants is on the reverse, a notebook on the philosophy and execution of this project is planned, and a brochure is available in the lodge with ideas to use at home.



Volunteers needed for the CRC Gardens

A beautiful flower garden catches your eye as you near the welcoming front porch of CRC's Conant Lodge. As we all know, gardens require work if they are to look their best. While we need volunteers for two weekends, Opening and Work Weekend, to rake off accumulated leaves, mulch and do general clean up, we also need volunteers to keep an eye on the gardens throughout the summer by deadheading, weeding and cutting back as needed. Later, during Closing Weekend, we need volunteers to clean the beds in preparation for winter. For more information, visit the CRC Gardens page on our website at:

<http://www.amccoldrivercamp.org/Pages/VolInfo.html>



COLD RIVER CAMP
CONANT LODGE GARDEN
SUMMER 2008

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If you are interested in providing this needed attention to the gardens during your stay at CRC, please contact Emma Crane, bcrane@ou.edu, 603-526-7684. The time involved would be minimal, instructions will be provided and the results will be instant!! The necessary tools are at CRC; all we need are the willing volunteers. ●



GUEST INFO

HOW MAY WE ASSIST YOU? We want your stay to be comfortable and enjoyable. If we can be of service, please ask the Staff or Crew.



IMPORTANT TIMES:

For early risers, coffee is available in the Lodge after **6:30 am**.

RISING HORN sounds at **7:00 am** daily.

BREAKFAST HORN (second horn) at **7:30 am**.

DINNER HORN at **6:00 pm**.

Please be prompt for all meals.



TRAIL LUNCHES are made by individual guests from the lunch table either before or after breakfast. Please supervise children.

DAILY TRIPS by qualified leaders are announced at breakfast.

WANDERER'S LIST is on the Lodge porch. Please sign if you plan your own hike or trip away from Camp.



ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES are consumed in the privacy of your cabins.

CABIN CHECK-OUT TIME is by 10:00 am to give crew time to clean. Please feel free to remain at camp after leaving your cabin.

CHAMBER POTS are available in Service Room by Men's Lavatory.

Please clean & return them to Service Room at end of your stay.

CHILDREN: It is expected parents will assume responsibility for their children at all times. Children may not stay in camp during the day without the direct supervision of a parent or an assigned guardian.

DO NOT DISTURB: Outside your cabin door is a small wooden rectangle: one side green, one side yellow. This a "do not disturb" sign: if you turn yellow side outward, crew will not enter your cabin

ELECTRONIC DEVICES: Device use in the Lodge, the Lodge Porch, and Library is limited to reading. **Any form of device communication (voice/text/email, etc., incoming or outgoing) should be done discretely, away from other guests, and away from the Lodge, Lodge Porch and Library.** Device use for personal entertainment (e.g., watching videos or playing video games) is limited to the guest cabins, and at noise levels unobtrusive to guest passers-by. Cords and device charging are to be kept within the confines of the charging station area in the Rec Hall.

ICE is available from the ice machine by back door of the kitchen.

LAMPS: If you are unfamiliar with kerosene lamp use, ask for help.

FIRE IS AN EVER-PRESENT HAZARD. Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors are strategically placed in every cabin. Buckets of dry sand are just outside. Please take note of their location and use. Please **DO NOT** leave cabins with oil lamps lit or fires flaming. Please use fire screens at all times and **DO NOT** leave children unattended in the cabins.

LAUNDRY may be done in Service Room by the Men's Lavatory. Cabin clothes lines should be used for the drying of clothes. Ironing may be done on the first floor of the Tower.

LIBRARY is open 24 hours/day for quiet reading or writing time.

LINEN: Clean sheets & towels are furnished once a week. Each guest receives an additional clean towel on Wednesday. Please leave soiled items near your cabin door for Wednesday am pickup.

OFFICE is open as announced or upon request.

PARKING in Camp is for registered guests only. Please use designated areas. A permit is required to park in the National Forest. Permits may be obtained at the Office.

QUIET TIME is 9:30 pm to 7:00 am. The Lodge is an excellent place to socialize at night. However, for those guests wishing to use the Lodge, porch or Tea House late at night, please remember that other guests are sleeping and sounds carry very well at night.

RECYCLING: Barrels are outside of Housekeeping for all materials to be recycled (glass, plastic, cans). Please help us conserve.

REPAIRS needed should be reported to the Managers.


SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED anywhere on Camp property including in or around any building. Fire is always a danger.

TELEPHONE: A guest telephone is on the west side of Housekeeping shed for outgoing calls (credit card or reverse charge basis only). The phone number is **603-694-2918**. Incoming emergency calls may be directed to the camp's business phone at **603-694-3291**.

WASTE BASKETS may be emptied into barrels by Housekeeping.

"Chez Pig" is for kitchen scraps only and not to be used by guests.

WATER is available at any tap. Arrangements can be made for a daily water delivery to your cabin at your request.

WOOD is available in the Wood Shed. Please pick up your own or ask a staff or crew member if you need assistance. 

Volunteer Opportunities at Cold River Camp

Cold River Camp is successful because of the efforts of its many volunteers. All camp activities are overseen by the Cold River Camp Committee, a group of volunteers who establish policies for the property, affairs, business and operation of the camp. Other volunteers help with a wide variety of camp projects and activities. Volunteers are the lifeblood of Cold River Camp! New volunteers are always welcome. If you enjoyed your camp experience, would you be willing to share your talents to make CRC an even better place? You do not need a background in education, recreational management or environmental science, just a simple willingness to help.

**Volunteering for CRC can be a
very
rewarding experience.
Ask anyone who does it!**

How Can I Volunteer at CRC? Volunteering for Cold River Camp takes many forms. Your contributions of time and effort are welcomed in a variety of areas. Please use this form to be contacted (on a “no obligation” basis) about ways you can help CRC. Or speak with one of the managers during your stay.

Hike Leaders/Naturalists: Would you like to be a hike leader or naturalist? Hike leaders and naturalists receive training and undergo an “apprenticeship” program before they become leaders. They are encouraged to keep their skills sharp by participating in periodic “refresher” sessions. Special interests or a background in these areas are certainly helpful, but people skills, common sense and a willingness to see to it that guests have a good time are much more important.

Maintenance / Facilities: Keeping CRC’s buildings and grounds operating properly requires continuing effort. Volunteers perform needed maintenance on selected weekends in the spring and fall. Please join us for one or more of these weekends. We get a lot done and have a lot of fun doing it!

People with skills in plumbing, electrical work and carpentry are of course very welcome, but we also need people willing to paint, do landscaping, prune shrubs and trees, and do assorted simple jobs.



The Alice Cabin. Daddy Tucker and Doc Johnson. 1935.

Individual and Committee

Activity Involvement: Individuals and committees administer various aspects of CRC life. CRC also hosts a number of weekend conferences and workshops in the off-season, and volunteers make these possible. Some of the current volunteer opportunities are:

- Hike Leaders/Naturalists
- Trail Work Weekends (with C.T.A.)
- Maintenance/Facilities
- Camp Opening (May) & Closing (Oct)
- Extension Season Crew -Sept
- Conservation & Education Programs
- Naturalist Weekend Crew -May
- Land Management and Planning
- Flower Gardening
- Publicity & Communication
- CRC Committee
- Winter Season Activities
- Assisting in Other Off-season Events

If you would like to be contacted about any of these, please circle your choice(s). If you have ideas for other needed activities, please let us know.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

e-mail: _____

I am interested in _____

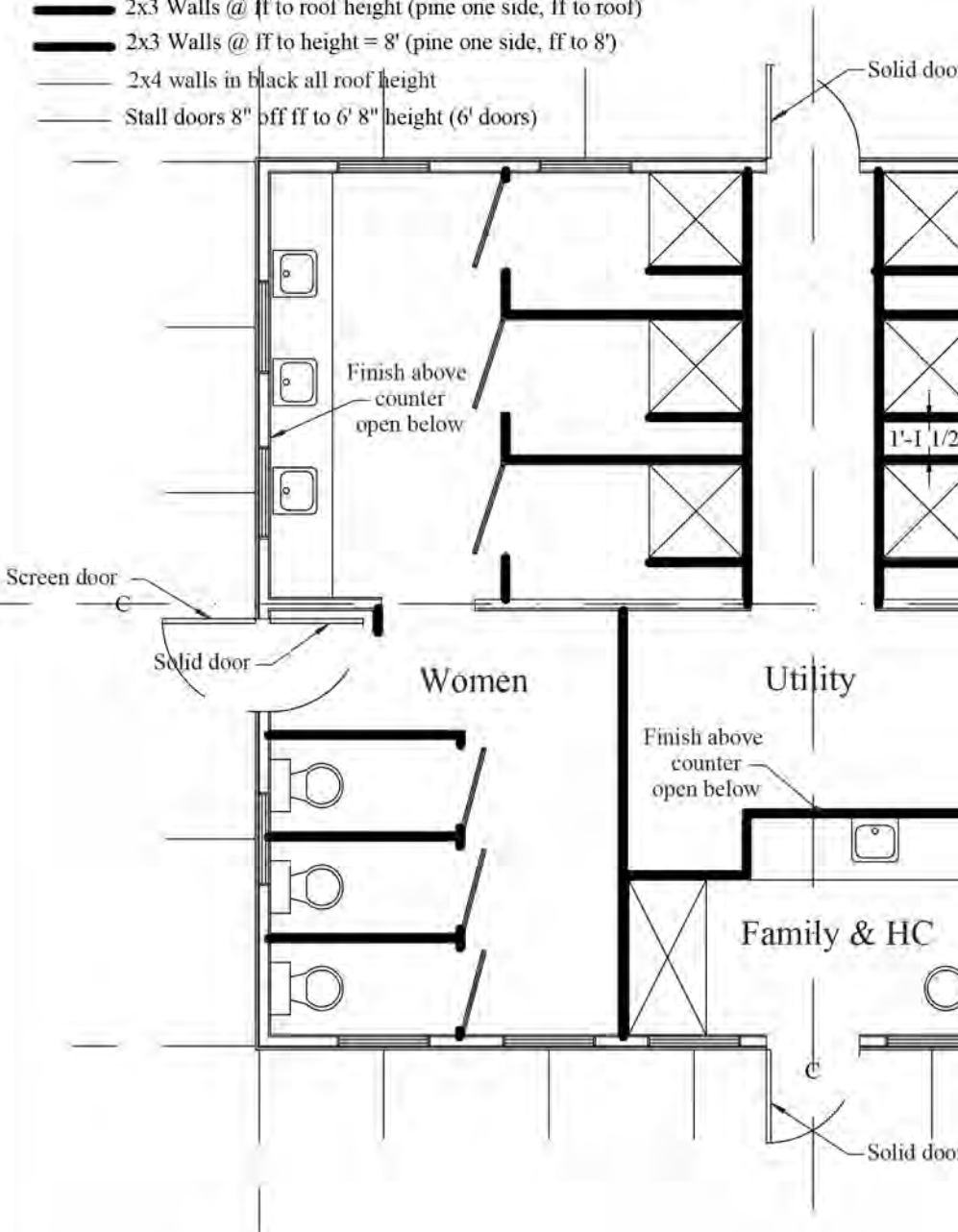
**Please return this to the Camp Office
before you leave camp.**

Or mail/e-mail it to:

**Antonia Woods, Volunteer Coordinator, Cold River Camp
1 114 Pleasant St Apt 104, Arlington, MA 02476
awoods144@gmail.com**

Cold River Camp, AMC

- 2x3 Walls @ Stall height = 7' (pine one side starting at 8" off ff to 7')
- 2x3 Walls @ ff to roof height (pine one side, ff to roof)
- 2x3 Walls @ ff to height = 8' (pine one side, ff to 8')
- 2x4 walls in black all roof height
- Stall doors 8" off ff to 6' 8" height (6' doors)



GREELEY II for 2015

After more than 60 years of faithful service the Camp Committee has voted to retire the current Greeley Bathhouse. It will be replaced by an new, larger facility to better serve the family side of camp. The design also includes a separate family / handicap area.

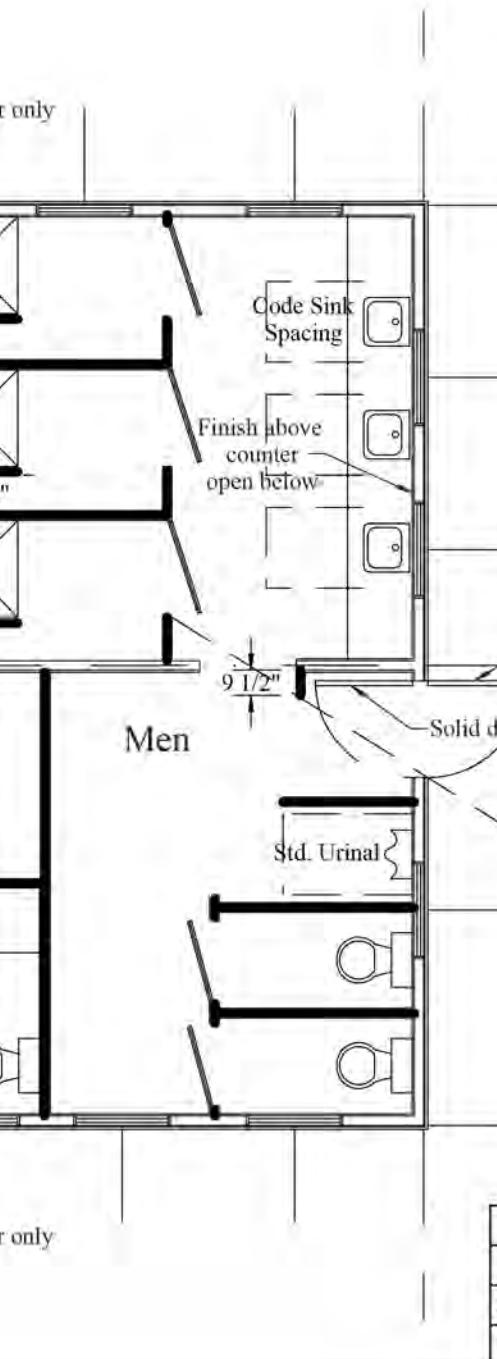
Besides enhanced functionality, the new Greeley will be easier to maintain the plumbing fixtures and the yearly shut down and opening of the facility.

The current schedule is to demolish the existing Greeley this fall and have the new facility up and ready for the summer season of 2015.

If you have any questions, comments, or how you may help make this project a reality, please feel to contact the CRC facility committee.

Frank Mastro,
Chair of CRC Facilities Committee

E-Mail -
amc.crc.facilities@gmail.com



Appalachian Mountain Club	
Cold River Camp	
Plan	New Greeley Bathhouse
Tom Bindas	5/20/2014

The Extension Season Crew



Cold River Camp Extension 2014 Volunteers

Betsy & Bob Goeke, Winchester, MA

Emma Huse, Sharon, MA

Ann Landers, Quincy, MA

Jack Lutz, Shelburne, VT

Frank Mastro, Lebanon, NH

Bill & Joan Mountford, Deerfield, NH

Ed Parsons, Tamworth, NH

Rosy & Jim Probasco, Tiverton, RI

Corinne Waite, Weymouth, MA

Rosy and Jim Probasco,

Gary Crane

Nancy Walsh

Chris Clyne (Manager)

Lisa Wisler (Asst. Manager)

Barb Bloomberg (Cook)

Zachary Porter (Cook)

In the small left photo

are Chris Clyne and

Corinne Waite.

In the small right photo

are Mary Ann

& Frank Mastro

In the middle photo

front row: Joan Mountford,

Carol Adams, Ann Landers and Betsy Goeke.

Middle row: Ned Beecher, Bob Goeke.

Back row: Barb Bloomberg, Jack Lutz,
Stefan Gaschott, Zachary Porter, and Bill Mountford.



CHATHAM TRAILS ASSOCIATION

1375 FAIRLANE DRIVE, ANN ARBOR, MI 48104

If you've hiked in the Evans Notch area you've almost surely been on a trail maintained by the all-volunteer Chatham Trails Association. We welcome and need your support to keep these trails in good condition.

The CTA runs three volunteer trail maintenance work weekends at Cold River Camp each year. In 2014 these will be May 24-25 (over the Memorial Day weekend), May 31-June 1, and October 4-5. You don't need to be experienced to join us and help with the work. We'll provide training and tools. We also provide room and board, and good fellowship. To sign up, complete and mail the nearby 2014 CTA Volunteer Registration form.



Better yet, go to www.ChathamTrails.org and sign up. Email [**President@ChathamTrails.org**](mailto:President@ChathamTrails.org) to get a reminder and more information as the weekends approach.

CTA's principal expenses are running these work weekends, buying insurance, and maintaining tools and signs. Whether or not you volunteer, we need your financial help. As you check out at Cold River Camp this summer, please add something to your bill to help fund the Chatham Trails Association efforts to keep these wonderful local trails so enjoyable. CTA is a New Hampshire non-profit and a federal 501(c)3, so your contributions are tax deductible.

You are also invited to attend one of the Forest Service Skills Days to learn more about effective hiking trail maintenance. These are also listed on our website.

Our thanks to the 59 volunteers who contributed a total of 965 hours of labor in 2013. Good trails don't just happen. They require constant work, and some local trails aren't getting enough attention. Our ongoing efforts each year provide for the routine maintenance of 40 miles of trails in the vicinity of Cold River Camp, as well as occasional major improvement projects. As you hike in the area,

I'm sure you can see there are always a number of spots that could use a major improvement project. In addition to everything we do, the Forest Service always invites us to take on more trail maintenance responsibility. Some nearby trails are orphans. We'd like to expand our reach. But to do that effectively we'd need even more volunteers, and feeding and housing more volunteers increases our costs. That's why we're always looking for more and new volunteers and ongoing contributions. Our goal is to keep making all of the hiking trails near Cold River Camp better and better.

Consider adopting a section of a CTA Trail. It will be short enough that you'll be able to do basic brushing, trimming, blow-down removal, and drainage maintenance in a few hours and still enjoy a day of happy hiking in the Evans Notch area. And you'll have the satisfaction of knowing your work has benefited all of the local hikers. Too many of our trail miles still need adopters. Email president@ChathamTrails.org for more information.

CTA also partners with CRC Hike Leaders who lead Trail Stewardship Hikes during the summer to introduce CRC guests to the elements of trail preservation, and give them the chance to participate in basic trail maintenance. Talk to your Hike Leaders about taking a few hours of your Cold River Camp

The Chatham Trails Association {CTA} maintains the following trails:

Baldface Knob Trail
 Bickford Brook Trail
 Bickford Slides Trail
 Bicknell Ridge Trail
 Blueberry Mtn. Lookout
 Blueberry Ridge Trail
 Brickett Falls Trail
 Chandler Gorge Trail
 Conant Path
 Conant Trail
 Deer Hill By-Pass
 Deer Hill Spring Trail
 Eagle Cascade Link
 Eastman Trail
 Emerald Pool Trail
 Hermit Falls Trail
 Horseshoe Pond Trail
 Laughing Lion Trail
 Leach Link
 Ledges Trail
 Little Deer-Big Deer Trail
 Mine Loop Trail
 Notchview Connector
 Rattlesnake Pool Trail
 Shell Pond Trail
 Shell Pond Loop
 Slippery Brook Trail
 Stone House Trail
 Tea House Path
 White Cairn Trail

vacation to have fun while doing some good work on local trails. There is always a set of CTA trail maintenance tools available for your use. They're in the closet at the back of the Camp Workshop (Raynor's Roost).

The CTA was created in 1922 by a group of CRC leaders and Cold River Campers. We go back almost to the very beginning of Cold River Camp, which was founded only three years earlier, in 1919. Although the CTA is a separate non-profit, we've been intimately associated with Cold River Camp since our beginning, and we've continued that close association through the decades. The CTA has had many accomplishments over what is now almost a century, including creating new trails, fund-raising to purchase trail corridors, creating trail maps, and negotiating with private land owners.

Have a fun and safe vacation at Cold River Camp and on the nearby CTA trails. Thanks for your support. Let me know if you ever have any questions or suggestions.

~ Don Devine, President
President@ChathamTrails.org



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2014 CTA VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

Names(s) _____

Address _____

Town/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Please register us for work weekend:

Fall Weekend, October 4 - 5

I would like help with:

Membership Committee Tools Committee

Trails Committee Publicity

Mail to volunteer coordinator Sandy Finn,
1163 Island Pond Road, Manchester, NH 03109 or,
register at our website www.chathamtrails.org

2014 CTA MEMBERSHIP

Names(s) _____

Address _____

Town/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

I/we desire to become a member of CTA or renew membership
for the year 2014. Enclosed is membership dues
of \$5 (five dollars) per person for a total of \$ _____

I/we make an additional contribution of \$ _____
to Chatham Trails Association, Inc.

I/we desire to make a contribution or pledge of \$ _____ to
the Memorial Fund for the protection of trails in the memory of
_____.

Chatham Trails Association is a 501(c)3 organization.

Donations are tax-deductible. Mail this form to

Don Devine, 1375 Fairlane Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Or visit our website: www.chathamtrails.org

WWW.CHATHAMTRAILS.ORG

The Winter Cabin

During the summer the building known as 'Convent' serves as quarters for female crew. However, in the off season – October 1st through April 30th - it is available as a 'Winter Cabin' rental. The cabin is winterized and has an efficient wood stove to provide heat and, if need be, a cooking surface. There is electricity in the cabin and a small kitchen area. There are six bunks in the bunk room, but there is plenty of floor space if you want to add more. The kitchen is equipped with a microwave oven, a small refrigerator, a two burner hot plate, a coffee maker and a hot water kettle. There is no running water during the off season and guests have use of the outhouse near the cabin. Guests bring their own water, food, bedding and linens. Blankets, pillows and wood for the stove are provided. In the winter, the driveway gates are locked, so a key is provided. A small area at the edge of 113 is plowed at the northern driveway entrance. The road is not plowed beyond this point.

Current rates are \$80/night. Payment in advance is requested. If interested please contact the Winter Cabin Registrar for information and reservations. Please check the online reservation calendar for availability. With confirmation of reservation guests receive cabin instructions and where to pick up the key.

offseasonsignup@gmail.com

Camp Wish List

The AMC Cold River Camp Wish List is a way to encourage giving to tangible causes to help improve camp life. If you like to see where your money goes, donating to the Wish List could be for you!

☛ All contributions are tax-deductible. All donors are recognized on the Cold River Camp website and in The Little Deer Dispatch or can choose to remain anonymous. You do not have to fund an entire item. ☛ The AMC Cold River Camp Committee is deeply appreciative of those who can and do give that extra support to the Cold River Camp community with generous gifts of time, money or goods.

☛ Two ceiling fans for the Rec Hall, improving guest comfort during program activities on warm evenings (about \$250 each for durable, good quality).

IN KEEPING WITH AND HELPING TO PRESERVE CRC'S CHARACTER:

☛ Furniture Repair and Replacement Fund (lodge porch, lodge, and cabins: \$ cost varies with repair or replacement).

☛ Replacement cabin fireplace tools (about \$50 for one tool, \$200 for a 4-piece set).

☛ 10 washable wool blankets. (\$90 - \$120 each)

☛ Underwriting some or all of the production costs of The Little Deer Dispatch (about \$1500 annually).

☛ Twelve "Cold Concepts" platters and bowls, for keeping trail lunch table foods chilled (\$50 - \$85 each, depending on size).

☛ Game camera, to see what critters are in camp when we're asleep or not there (about \$500).

☛ Four mattresses for the ongoing "Mattress Replacement Program" (about \$250 each).

☛ Better equipage of the Winter Cabin ("the Convent") for an improved guest experience, new or used: sturdy eating table and chairs, armchairs (2), possibly a love-seat; hot plate.

☛ Two new/current editions of the AMC White Mountain Guide and laminated maps for use by camp guests (about \$25 per copy).

☛ Garden Fund for additional trees, shrubs, etc.

☛ Contributions toward a CRC Long-range Forest Management Plan (about \$2000 for professional services)

Contact **Gary Munson** at amc.crcwishlist@gmail.com if you have questions about making a donation. Checks should be made out to the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) and sent to **Dick Goettle**, CRC Treasurer, 433 NH Route 119 East, Fitzwilliam NH 03447, with an indication of what the donation is for.



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CRC Website

www.amccoldrivercamp.org

The website has been updated and improved since last summer to provide campers and guests with more information about the camp, a means of timely communication between the Camp Managers and campers in the weeks before their stay at camp, and information on Volunteer Opportunities at camp or in service to the CRC Camp Committee, the new CRC Nature Trail that uses both the Tea House and Conant Paths, and printable copies of all Little Deer Dispatches and early CRC history, the Nature Trail Guide, and of the Trip Leader Handbooks. The site still provides a wealth of pictures of Camp, the cabins, camp activities, space availability and registration information for fall or summer season and for the winter cabin. It also provides a chance to hear the CRC Camp Horn during time away from CRC.

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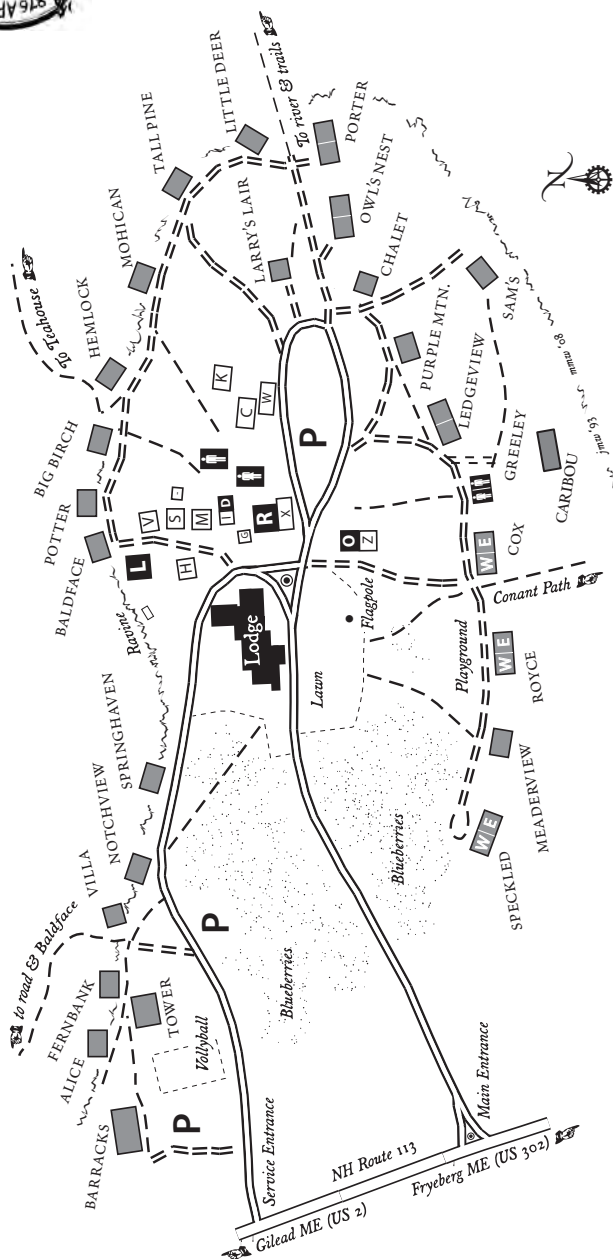
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G ARDEN SHED	L IBRARY	R EC HALL	X = MANAGERS' QTRS
H OUSEKEEPING	M ONASTERY (CREW)	S HOP (RAYNER'S ROOST)	Z = ASST. MANAGER'S