

# *the* *Little Deer Dispatch*

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# Welcome to Cold River Camp!

We are looking forward to our fifth season as summer managers at Cold River. We feel incredibly fortunate to have our entire staff as well as half of the crew returning for another season with us. Don't be surprised to see a lot of familiar faces! We are very excited that **Connie Morse** is back as our assistant manager to help keep camp in top shape. **Zachary Porter**, **Stefan Gaschott**, and **Kyle Soeltz** have returned for yet another summer of tasty meals. We have four returning crew members from last summer: **Jonathan Burke**, **Chelsey Serrano**, and the **Fuchs brothers: Nathaniel and Walker**. Joining them are four others that you will enjoy getting to know as well: **Andrew**, **Leslie**, **Fiona**, and **Kira**. But 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  
Cold River Camp Managers ●

BACK: *Stefan, Walker, Nathaniel, Connie, Jonathan, Kyle, Zachary, Kira, Jim, Laurie.* FRONT: *Andrew, Fiona, Chelsey, Leslie, Ruby.*

PHOTO by Sadie

## 2013 REGULAR SEASON STAFF & CREW

**Laurie Barr & Jim DiCarlo**, Managers, Exeter, NH

**Connie Morse**, Assistant Manager, Exeter, NH

**Zachary Porter**, Head Chef, New Durham, NH

**Stefan Gaschott**, Assistant Chef, Sliver Lake, NH

**Kyle Soeltz**, Prep Cook, Acton, MA

**Jonathan Burke**, Vista, CA

**Andrew Ganem**, Wakefield, MA

**Leslie Fink**, Chatham, NH

**Nathaniel Fuchs**, Mattapoisett, MA

**Walker Fuchs**, Mattapoisett, MA

**Fiona Graham**, Wilton, NH

**Kira Palmer**, Wayland, MA

**Chelsey Serrano**, Raymond, NH







To our guests at Cold River Camp (CRC):

The tradition of great led hikes continues at CRC. Our leaders have spent many years hiking in the area around CRC and in the White Mountains and are willing to provide information to guests who want to hike on their own. With only two hikes being offered each day, and access to the Wilderness Areas limited, more of our guests will be organizing their own hikes. 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 lead you, take time to relax, enjoy the view, pick the blueberries, breathe in the clean mountain air and admire the native flora and fauna. Or, at Camp, read that book you've been neglecting, paint, nap or swim at the Dam...and always enjoy Zachary's great cooking. It's all a way to step back in time, away from our current world of stress, so you can return to the "real" world invigorated and ready for its challenges.

Looking for a new area to explore? Recently guests from CRC rediscovered an old trail up Adams Mountain (not to be confused with Mt. Adams) – rewarding views with little elevation gain and the trailhead is near CRC. To access the trail, drive to Evergreen Valley via Deer Hill Bog Rd, take the first left (paved) in Evergreen Valley then right up a steep gravel road a short distance to a parking area at a gate (see **AMC's White Mountain Guide**, Evergreen Link Trail on the Carter Range – Evans Notch Map or Don Devine's book referenced above). The Link Trail goes up the gravel road, turns left on an old service road then right at the top of the rise to continue on to the Cold Brook Trail. To go to Adams Mountain, continue left on the abandoned service road to the top of the old ski area, bearing to the left when in doubt. At the top of the old Evergreen Valley Ski Area, open ledges offer views and great lunch spots.

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*

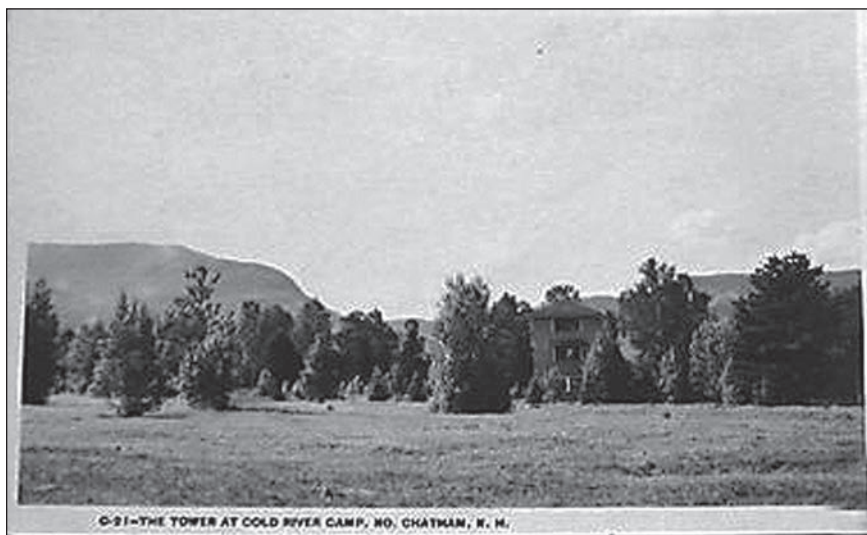
Emma Crane, Naturalist

Bill Gross, Hike Leader





C-14--THE BALDFACES, FROM LITTLE DEER, NO. CHATHAM, N. H.



C-21--THE TOWER AT COLD RIVER CAMP, NO. CHATHAM, N. H.

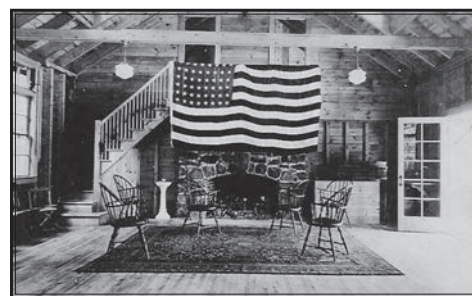
# Helpful Hints for CRC

by Sally Morris

**H**ere 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,*

**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. ☺

## 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 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 Kane 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 Easter Williams Pool.

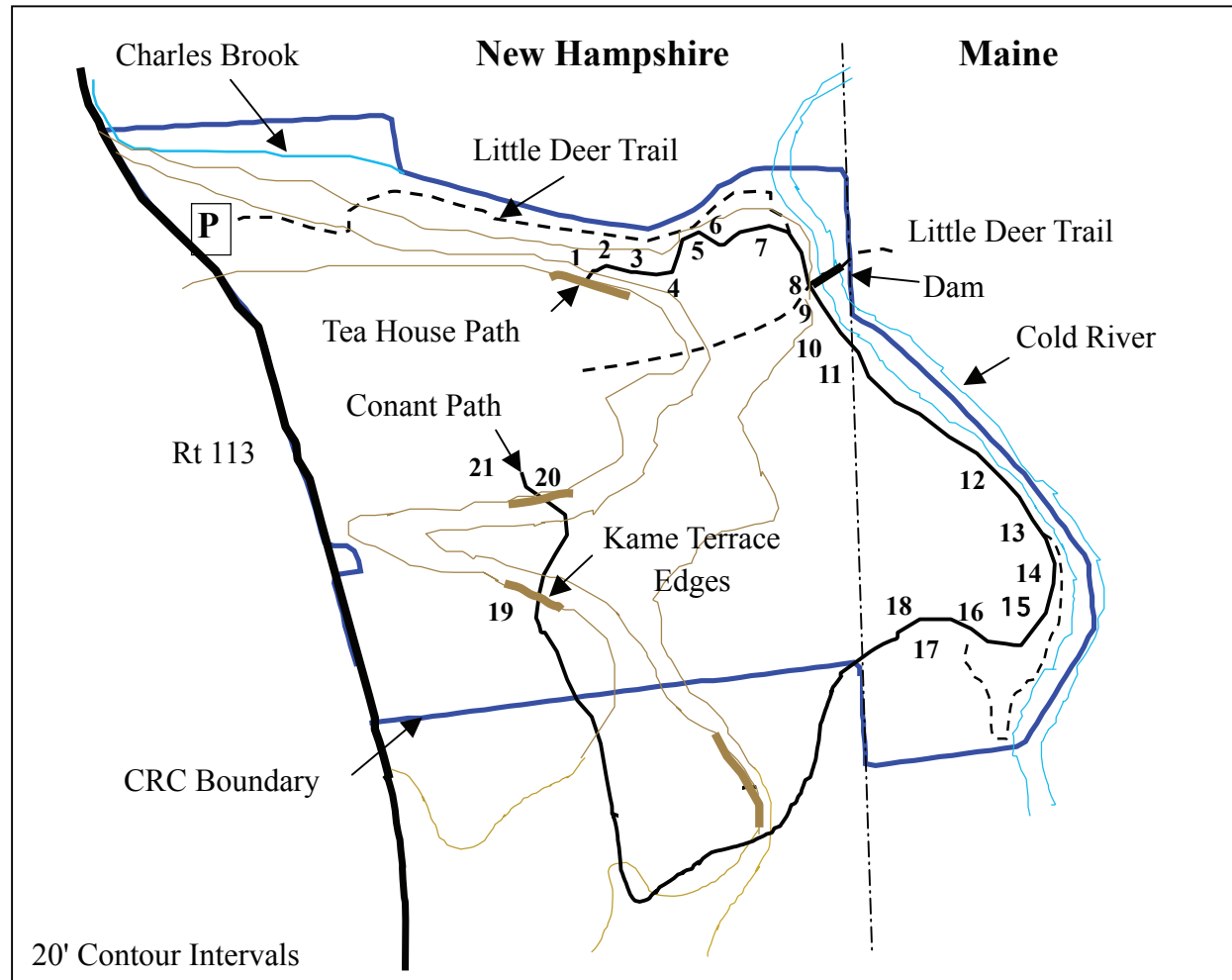
For our younger guests we have a **Jr. Naturalist Program** with booklets designed for three age groups. Parents, and grandparents, are encouraged to work with their children in fulfilling the requirements, and upon completion, patches are awarded during Friday evening's Talent Show. The Naturalist who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

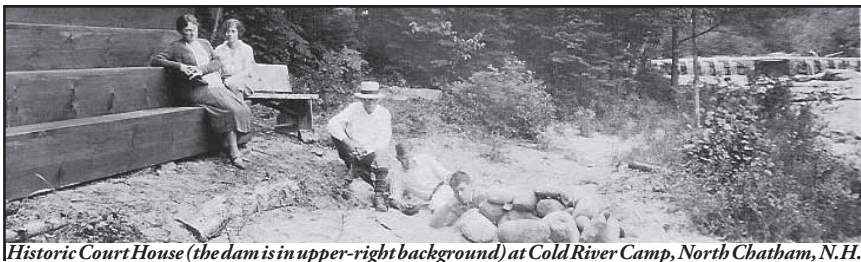
## New Hampshire - Maine

## 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

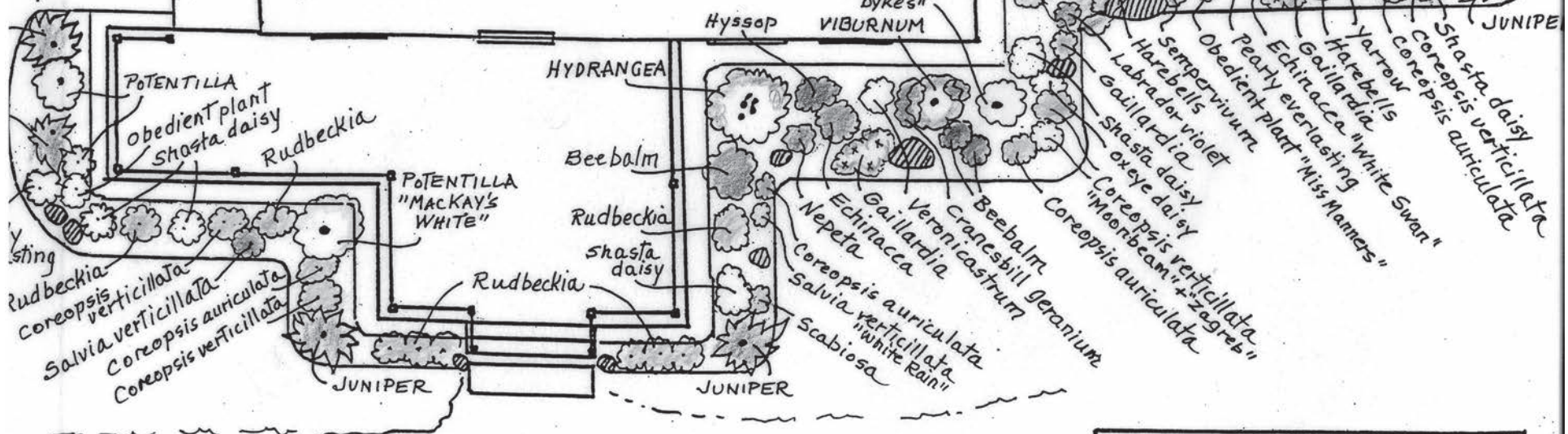


Historic Court House (the dam is in upper-right background) at Cold River Camp, North Chatham, N.H.

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



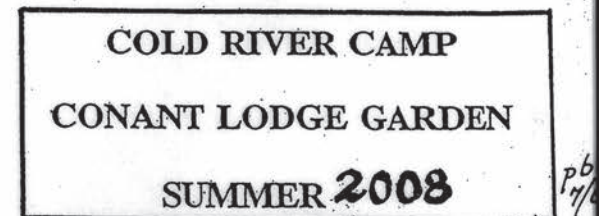
vegetable garden by team or volunteers. It is designed to be educational as well as beautiful. Plants have been selected that are perennial, cold-hardy, suited to or tolerant of the hot, sunny, often dry site, and that will be in bloom primarily July through early September. The native Shad tree and viburnums were planted for berries for wildlife; the beebalm, 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>



If you are interested in providing this needed attention to the gardens during your stay at CRC, please contact Emma Crane, [bcrane@ou.edu](mailto: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 INFORMATION



**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.** The use of personal electronic devices in the lodge, lodge porch and library is limited to reading or sharing camp-related information/materials, and **those areas are to be kept free of device cords, chargers, and noise.** Any form of communicating (voice/text/ email, etc.) should be done discreetly and away from the lodge, lodge porch, and library. Playing video games or watching videos should be done in the privacy of cabins.

**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.

## 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
- Annual Reunion Committee
- 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.**

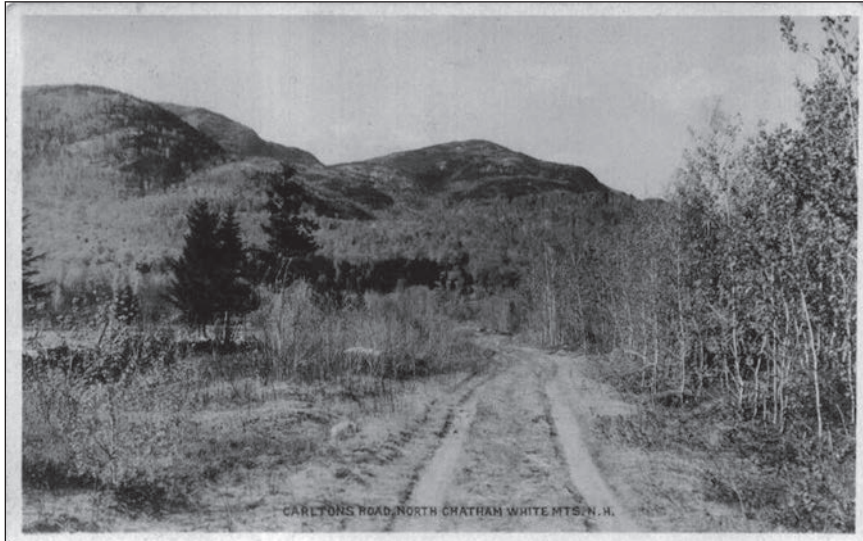
**Or mail/e-mail it to:**

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



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





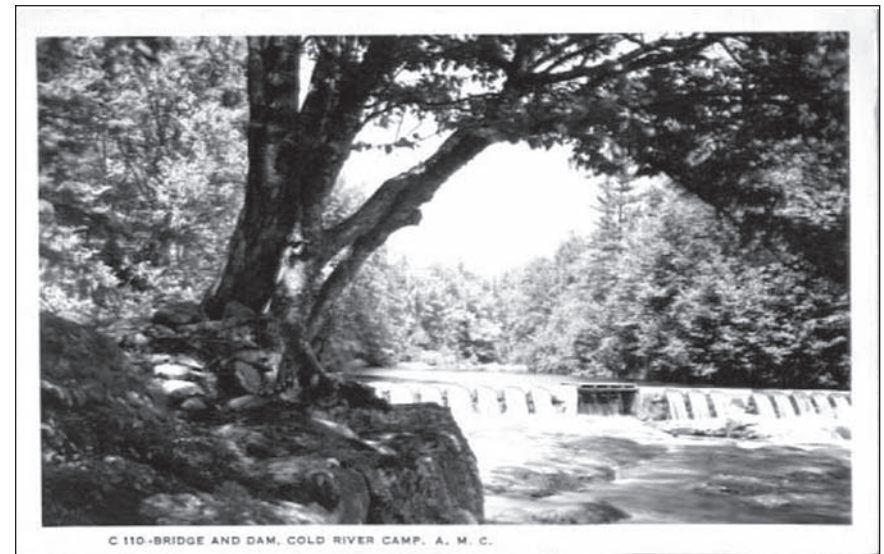
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075—Lodge and Hall, Cold River Camp, A. M. C.



Conant Lodge, Little Bear in Background Sept 1918



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# The Extension Season Crew



## Cold River Camp Extension 2013 Volunteers

Betsy & Bob Goeke, Winchester, MA

Emma Huse, Sharon, MA

Ann Landers, Quincy, MA

Jack Lutz, Shelburne, VT

Mary Ann & Frank Mastro, Lebanon, NH

Bill & Joan Mountford, Deerfield, NH

Ed Parsons, Tamworth, NH

Rosy & Jim Probasco, Tiverton, RI

Corinne Waite, Weymouth, MA

Chris Clyne (Manager)

Lisa Wisler (Asst. Manager)

Stefan Gaschott (Cook)

Zachary Porter (Asst. 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.



## GREETINGS FROM THE Chatham Trails Association

CTA • 22 Grove Place, Unit 29 • Winchester, MA 01890



**A**s you take to the trails to explore the Evans Notch area, the chances are good that you will find yourself at a trail junction and see a sign sporting the Chatham Trails Association logo. You may notice that the trail is easy to see and follow and that you are not getting brushed by wet leaves as you pass. You are hiking on a trail cared for by the volunteers of CTA.

In 1922 a group of Cold River Camp volunteers formed the Chatham Trails Association to improve hiking in Evans Notch. In the early years before the National Forest had a trail system, the need was to create new routes and build new trails so hikers could enjoy scenic and interesting areas. CTA continues that tradition today but with a purpose of maintaining about 40 miles of trails, a task that becomes more important as trail use increases. The USFS budget is tight, allowing only a single trail crew of 4 in the Saco District. Without the contributions of volunteers the condition of the trails would deteriorate, possibly to the point of being unusable.

If you would like to learn more about the history and work of CTA, there is a binder in the CRC library with copies of meeting minutes and other documentation dating back to 1921. The complete records of CTA are preserved in the Chatham Historical Society at the library in Center Chatham. The library is open Wednesday afternoons or by appointment with Barbara Eastman.

CTA has an important role in keeping Evans Notch and Cold River Camp a premier hiking destination. The work weekends are only one part of our trail stewardship, caring for about 40 miles of trails is a year round effort. Through the "Trail Adopter" program members visit their selected trail three or four times each year performing basic maintenance and monitoring trail conditions. The commitment of these hikers is helping our stewardship efforts become year round. This year, seven members have adopted 12 miles of trail. If you would like to adopt a trail (or part of a trail) contact us. We will provide tools and training.

On an earlier Memorial Day Weekend and National Trails Day 48 volunteers, including 12 new volunteers, gathered to hike the trails and perform basic maintenance to prepare the trails for summer hiking. Volunteers cleaned and repaired 362 waterbars and removed 144 blown down trees. Extra effort was put into corridor definition work, cutting brush to make the trails more attractive and easier to hike. The volunteers also assessed trail conditions and identified work needed. The trail condition reports are used by CTA and the Forest Service to plan future work. Members invested over 700 hours of trail maintenance and improvement projects so far this season.

***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***



The success of our work is not just achieved by the boots-in-the-mud, tools-in-hand crews but with the essential hours of supportive work accomplished by members engaged in tool and sign maintenance, feeding the crews, camp chores, office and paperwork tasks. It is the team work that makes CTA the vital program it is today and I thank all of you for your contribution to this success.

We hope that you will join CTA in our trail stewardship. While you are hiking take a few minutes to move brush off the trail or clear a blocked waterbar, make a note of fallen trees blocking the trail or other obstacles to hikers. When you return to the lodge, make a note in the CTA binder. Fill out a trail report and tell us where you were on the trail, what you did and note work needed. Your help and report is appreciated and will be acted upon.

Visit the Brickett Place. CTA, CRC, USFS and Sable Mountain Enterprises partnered to improve the exhibits. USFS has secured a grant of \$400,000 to repair and restore the building. Up to 100 people may stop on any day to learn more about the Evans Notch area.

We welcome new members and trail volunteers. In addition to volunteers out on the trails, members are needed for committee and support functions. For information, contact us at our website :

**<[www.chathamtrails.org](http://www.chathamtrails.org)>**

or by mail at Chatham Trails Association, 22 Grove Place, Unit 29, Winchester MA 01890 or through the camp managers. The IRS approved our application for non-profit 501(c)3 status. Contributions to CTA are tax deductible.

Thank you for all your support. Have a wonderful vacation and enjoyable hiking.

*Don*

Don Devine CTA President 2013

[devine@chathamtrails.org](mailto:devine@chathamtrails.org) ☎

## Chatham Trails Association History

[http://www.chathamtrails.org/docs/CTA\\_A\\_Brief\\_History.pdf](http://www.chathamtrails.org/docs/CTA_A_Brief_History.pdf)





# The Winter Cabin

**D**uring the summer season the cabin known as 'Convent' serves as quarters for women crewmembers. From Oct 1st through April 30th, it is available as the 'Winter Cabin' rental. • The two-room cabin is winterized with an efficient wood stove to provide heat and, if need be, a cooking surface. The cabin has electricity and a small kitchen area. It sleeps six in the bunk room, but is not limited to six guests. The kitchen is equipped with a microwave oven, small refrigerator, two-burner hot plate, coffee maker, and hot water kettle. • There is no running water (camp water is turned off). Guests bring their own water, food, bedding, and linens. Wool blankets, pillows, and wood for the stove are provided. There is a composting toilet outhouse a few feet from the cabin. • In winter the driveway gates are locked, so keys are provided. A small area at the edge of 113 is plowed at the north entrance. The camp road is not plowed beyond this point. • **Current rates are \$80/night.** Payment in advance is requested. With confirmation of reservation guests receive cabin instructions. There is an online calendar showing availability on the Winter Cabin page of the camp website. Please contact the registrar for information and reservations.

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## Camp Wish List

The AMC Cold River Camp Wish List is a way to encourage people to give to tangible causes to help improve camp life. If you liked the way camp looked this year, how about funding new brooms for next year? If you enjoyed how you slept on your mattress, maybe you would like to help with their ongoing replacement as they age. If you are someone who likes 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. ● 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. ●

- ☺ Assorted games: 2 decks of playing cards, 1 Scrabble set, 1 Tangrams set, 2 Chess sets, 1 Sorry or Parcheesi set, 1 Backgammon set, 1 Checkers set (\$3 - \$25 per item).
- ☺ Twenty five cabin brooms (\$10 each).
- ☺ Furniture repair and replacement fund (lodge porch, lodge, and cabins: \$ cost varies with repair or replacement).
- ☺ 10 washable wool blankets (\$90 - \$120 each).
- ☺ Rechargeable LED cabin lanterns (\$35 each).
- ☺ Twelve "Cold Concepts" platters and bowls, for keeping trail lunch table foods chilled (\$50 - \$85 each, depending on size).
- ☺ Four mattresses for ongoing "Mattress Replacement Program" (\$185 each).
- Replacement fireplace tools in keeping with CRC's character (\$50 and up for one, \$200 and up for a four piece set).
- Better furniture for the Winter Cabin ("the Convent"), new or used: sturdy eating table and chairs, armchairs (2), possibly a love-seat.
- Appliances for the Winter Cabin: microwave, hot plate.

### For the "Caribou Cabin Project"

- ☺ Woodstove tools in keeping with CRC's character (\$50 and up for one, \$200 and up for a four piece set).
- ☺ Four mattresses (\$185 each).
- ☺ Four bedframes (\$280 each) and four built in "cubbies" (\$110 each).

**Please contact Gary Munson <[munson.family@verizon.net](mailto:munson.family@verizon.net)> if you would like to make a donation. Thank you!**



## CRC Website

[www.amccoldrivercamp.org](http://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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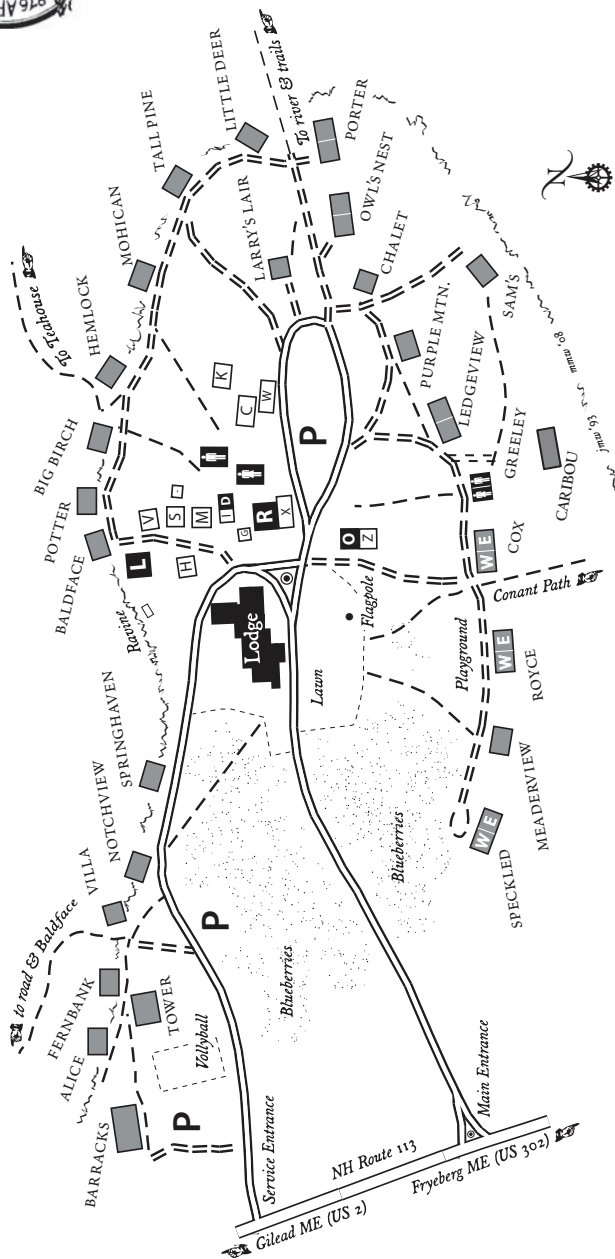
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