



Weston Forest and Trail Association

Fall Update & Walk Schedule

Trailblazer Party

Celebrate Weston's treasured open spaces with the WFTA community. Come as you are!

- ❖ September 12, 2025, 5–7:30 PM
- ❖ Next to the Josiah Smith Tavern
- ❖ Music by the Ways and Means Committee
- ❖ Food by Lalo's Mexican Restaurant
- ❖ Beer, Wine, Spindrift and Drink Options
- ❖ Ice cream truck and kids' activities

2025–2026 Walk Schedule

Date	Location	Leaders
Oct 5	Wellington Farm: Step back in time with a tour of the historic district, featuring the 18th-century Gateways Barn, where the old cider press will be in action with refreshments. No Dogs. Park next to the red barn opposite 500 Wellesley St.	Julie Hyde and Nina Danforth
Nov 2	Hubbard Forest and Orchard Avenue: Walk from Burt Field through the Hubbard Forest and into the magical neighborhood of Orchard Avenue, site of what was Weston's third largest estate, owned by Charles Townsend Hubbard in the 1860s. Park at Burt Field (end of Gail Road).	Kristin Barbieri
Dec 7	Sears Land and Melone Homestead: Enjoy a special holiday treat and explore remnants of the old Sears Estate. We will walk over the river and through the woods leaving right from Town Green. Meet at the old watering trough.	Diana Chaplin
Jan 4	Ogilvie Town Forest: We will start in Lincoln and walk in Weston's largest and wildest forest. Park at the trailhead at the end of Stonehedge Road in Lincoln.	Chris Jylkka
Feb 1	Cat Rock and 80 Acres: Celebrate World Wetlands Day with a tour of Hobbs Pond and 80 Acres, including one of the nicest open fields in Weston. Park at the end of Drabbington Way.	Gail Palmer
Mar 1	Nolte Forest: Discover the old stone chimney with hearth among the pine trees. Explore 53 acres of wetlands and forests starting at the trailhead between 7 and 17 Audubon Circle.	Vicki Gifford
Apr 5	College Pond: Certified Forest Therapy Guide Michele Ryan will lead a 2–3 hour meditative "forest bathing" experience—an immersive, restorative way to slow down and reconnect with nature. Leaves from Burchard Park tennis courts.	Michele Ryan
May 3	Case Estates: We will tour the grounds of Marion Case's experimental farm, recently purchased by the Town of Weston. Park at the Community Center parking lot.	Joel Angiolillo

Unless otherwise noted, walks start at 2pm, rain, shine or snow, and last 1 to 2 hours. Please check WestonForestTrail.org for walk details and any last-minute changes. Members, visitors, children and dogs (except where noted, and on leash) are all welcome.

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Since 1955 Weston Forest and Trail Association, a volunteer-run non-profit, has protected and maintained **100 miles of trails** across more than **2,000 acres** of Weston's open space. These natural areas offer us clean air and water, safe habitat for wildlife, recreation, and the chance to find peace in nature, year-round. Whether you're a regular trail user or someone who appreciates part of what makes Weston so unique, we invite you to support our work. Visit WestonForestTrail.org.



President's Message

Dear members, friends and neighbors,

I'm honored to step into the role of president of WFTA and mindful of the generations of volunteer work that have shaped Weston's forest and trail system. Thank you Joel Angiolillo for your thoughtful leadership over the past six years!

WFTA has a strong foundation—from land protection to community programming—and I'm looking forward to expanding opportunities for families to connect with nature and community through our trails. We will continue to help link Weston's open spaces and broaden our base of support. Our treasured natural assets help define our community and deserve both protection and celebration for generations to come.

— Eli Mather, President, Weston Forest and Trail Association



WFTA Trustees, Spring 2025



Eli Mather, Fall 2024



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Thank you!