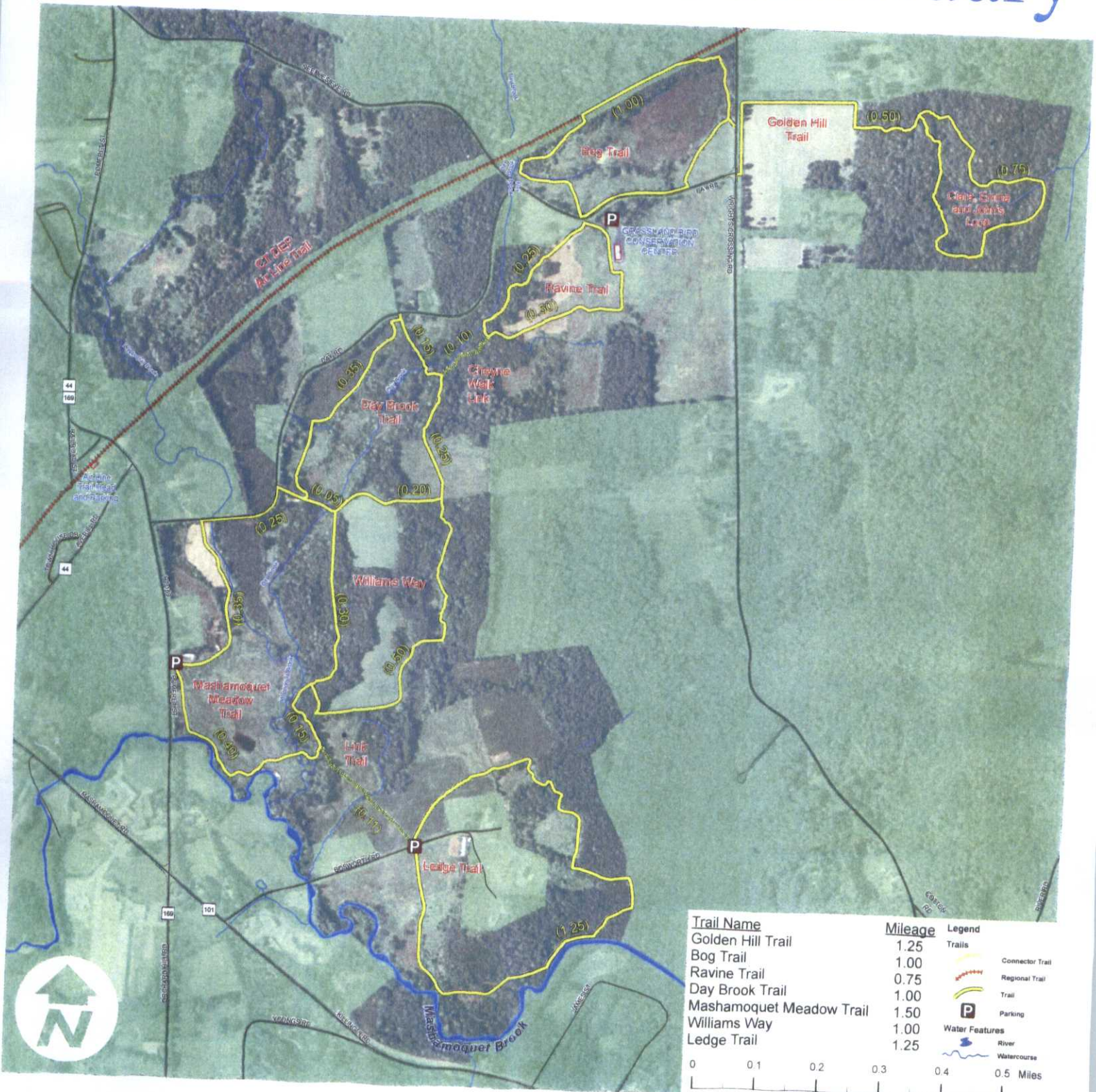
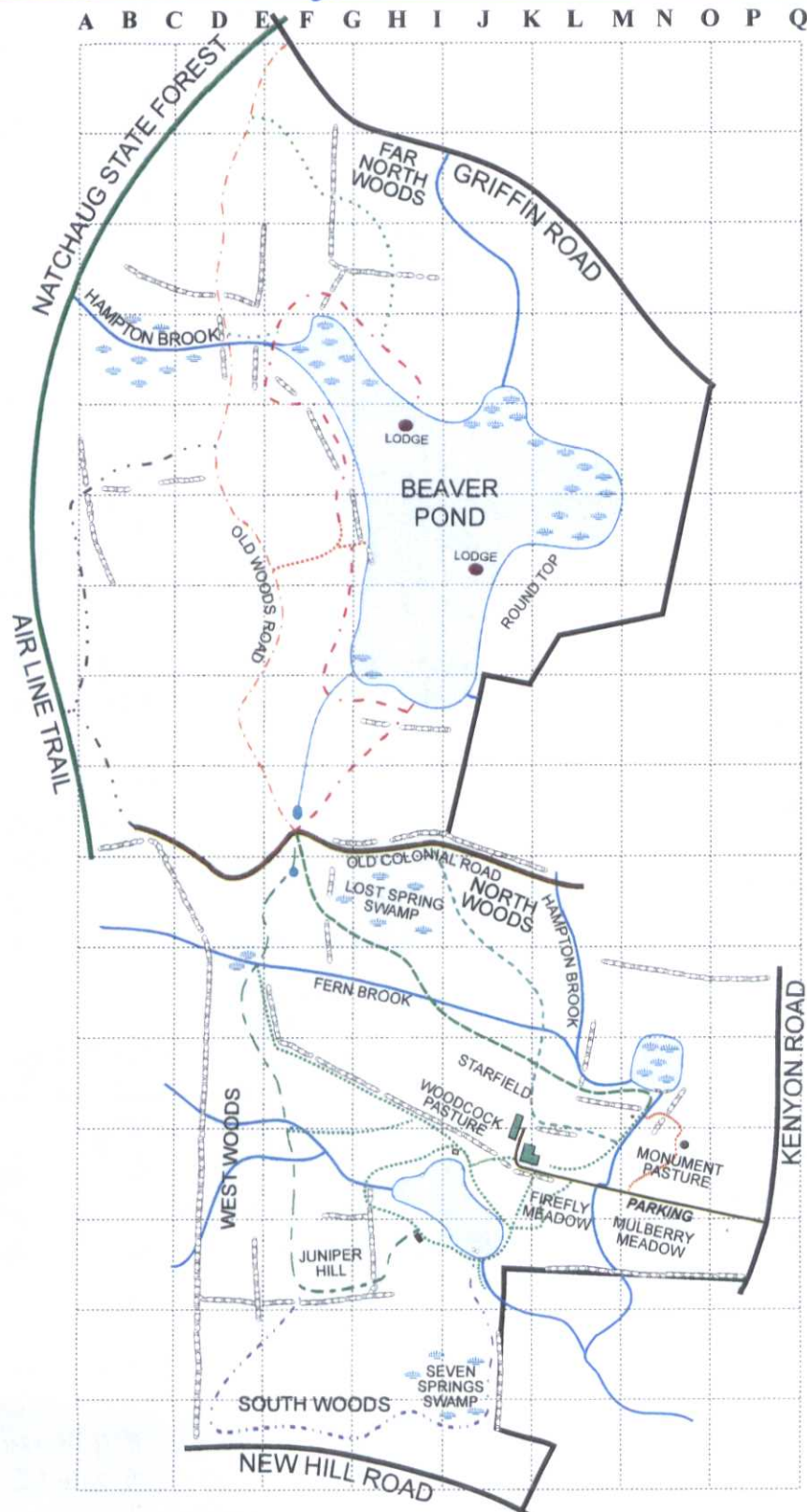




Bafflin Sanctuary



The Edwin Way Teale Memorial Sanctuary at Trail Wood



Trails

Beaver Pond Trail	---
Big Grapevine Trail	---
Boulder Field Trail	---
Far North Woods Trail	---
Fern Brook Trail	---
Ground Pine Crossing Trail	---
Monument Meadow Trail	---
Old Colonial Road	---
Old Woods Road	---
Shagbark Hickory Trail	---
Veery Lane	---

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8	Azalea ShoreI26
9	Beaver RockJ24
10	Broad Beech Crossing.....E20
11	Brook Crossing.....E6
12	Cattail CornerJ25
13	Chestnut StubD18
14	Deerfield.....G5
15	Driftwood Cove.....J26
16	Fern Brook Swamp.....J21
17	Glacier Rock.....J25
18	Ground Pine CrossingI20
19	Hellebore Crossover.....G10
20	Hired Man's Monument.....O24
21	Hyla Pond.....F16
22	Hyla RillF15
23	Insect Garden.....L24
24	Lichen RidgeH26
25	Lost SpringF18
26	Lost Spring SwampH18
27	Nighthawk Hill.....I22
28	North Boulder FieldA10
29	Old Cabin HillD16
30	Pussy Willow Corner.....P25
	Seven SpringsH28
	Seven Springs Slope.....I30
	South Boulder FieldD26
	StarfieldJ22
	Stepping Stone Brook.....J26
	Stone BridgeL24
	SummerhouseI23
	Summerhouse Rock.....H24
	Twig Hill.....I16
	WaterfallN22
	Wet Weather BrookP25
	Whippoorwill BrookG24
	Whippoorwill Cove.....H24
	Whippoorwill Spring.....F23
	Wild Apple GladeG22
	Wild Plum Tangle.....L23
	Witch Hazel Hill.....D12
	Writing CabinI26

Scale: 1 inch = 500 feet



Open daily, dawn to dusk. The museum, writing cabin and study open by appointment only.

Map by Bob Breau
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Trail Wood The Edwin Way Teale Memorial Sanctuary of the Connecticut Audubon Society

Trail Wood is the former home of Edwin Way Teale and his wife Nellie. Mr. Teale was a well-known and influential author of 31 books on nature. At the ripe age of nine, he declared himself a naturalist. In 1923 he married Nellie Imogene Donovan, who he had met while at college. Nellie was Edwin's equal as a naturalist and an indispensable companion in all projects and adventures. They shared a life-long love of nature.

Mr. Teale began his career as a staff writer for *Popular Science* magazine in 1928, writing articles on everything from homing pigeons to the latest technological inventions. He spent 13 years working for *Popular Science*, all the while perfecting his skills as a writer and a photographer.

His first book as a naturalist was Grassroots Jungles, published in 1937. It detailed the lives of common insects and was filled with Mr. Teale's unique, up-close photographs. He was the first to come up with the notion that if you put insects in the refrigerator before photographing them, you would have a more cooperative and stationary subject!

In October of 1941, the Teales took the plunge towards independence and Edwin left his job to pursue a free-lance writing career. He and Nellie ever afterward celebrated October 16th as their own personal Independence Day. His accessible style and extensive knowledge of the natural world, combined with an unquenchable curiosity made him an instant success as an author. He is probably best known for his series on the American seasons, North with the Spring, Journey into Summer, Autumn Across America and Wandering Through Winter. Most of Mr. Teale's 31 books are out of print, but can often be found at your library or at used bookstores. A Naturalist Buys An Old Farm has been reprinted and is available for purchase at the Center at Pomfret, along with a limited used collection of his books.

In 1959, the Teales left their home in Baldwin, Long Island to escape the crush of humanity that was steadily encroaching upon them and moved to Trail Wood in Hampton, Connecticut. They spent the rest of their lives becoming familiar with every inch of the 156 acres. They named each trail, pasture and corner so that they could share the news of their daily rambles if they happened to go out separately. Ten of Mr. Teale's 31 books, including his Pulitzer Prize winner, Wandering Through Winter, were written at Trail Wood.

Mr. Teale died of cancer on October 18th, 1980. His study and writing cabin remain as he left them. In 1981, Nellie Teale deeded the Trail Wood property to the Connecticut Audubon Society as she and Edwin had agreed to do before his death. Nellie lived on at Trail Wood for 13 years after Edwin's Death. She died in 1993. The property is managed by the Connecticut Audubon with the help of the Friends of Trail Wood and numerous other volunteers. The Dodd Research Center on the University of Connecticut campus in Storrs houses the extensive Teale collection. In the late 1990's, Connecticut Audubon purchased an additional 11 acres abutting the sanctuary and received one acre in donation, growing the sanctuary to it's present size of 168 acres.

Trail Wood is located at 93 Kenyon Rd. in Hampton and is open to visitors daily from sunrise to sunset. Natural history programs are offered throughout the year. A schedule of programs can be found on our website and in our quarterly newsletters. The Teale museum and Mr. Teale's study and writing cabin are open by appointment. Call (860)928-4948 for information. Check our website at www.ctaudubon.org. Become a CT Audubon Society member and/or volunteer and help support Trail Wood, a place dearly loved by the Teales and left to you to enjoy.



Northeast Corner Programs

Center at Pomfret • Science in Nature • Trail Wood

Members, Get Inspired! Book Edwin Way Teale's Writing Cabin



Need time to concentrate on your writing or art project? Book a day of creative solitude in Edwin Way Teale's rustic off-the-grid writing cabin by the pond. Dates available from Sept. 7 to Nov. 2.

Email TrailWood@ctaudubon.org or call 860-928-4948
Fee per day: \$30 CAS members only.

**16th Annual Trail Wood
Under the Harvest Moon
Saturday, Sept. 21
at 5:00 p.m.**



Support Trail Wood, put on your walking shoes, a warm sweater, and enjoy an evening of delectable food and toe-tapping music by the Quiet Corner Fiddlers. Reservations required. Call 860-928-4948 or go to ctaudubon.org/trail-wood-home.

SAVE THE DATE!

**Annual
Holiday Nature Store
Opens Saturday, Nov. 16
to Friday, Dec. 20
10 a.m.-4 p.m.**

The Center will be full of gifts for all ages with Mother Nature in mind. We will have bird feeders & houses, suet, gardening gifts, nature books, children's books and games, puzzles, field guides, freshly cut Christmas trees, holiday decorations, handmade evergreen sprays, works by local artists, nature jewelry, and many more unique items. Stock changes daily.

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BIRD SURVEYS ON PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTIES

Sanctuary Manager, Andy Rzeknikiewicz, is available to survey bird populations of your property and provide advice on how to best manage the property for optimum bird habitat. Private property owners, Land Trusts, Towns, or other groups interested in inventorying breeding or migratory bird populations on their properties might consider this service. Conservation groups evaluating potential land purchases for conservation might also find this helpful. Call early to schedule.



WISH LIST

*Any Edwin Way
Teale Books*

*Donations accepted
year round for
Holiday Nature Store*

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*"Thank You"
Sandra Tosi &
Paul Maidment for
the AC unit. It was a
godsend this summer!*

*"Thank You"
Tom Horn for the
portable microphone.*

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ART & EXHIBITS

Lost Knowledges, Vanishing Histories

Exhibit now thru end of September

Jessica Porzuczek is a Connecticut artist and educator. Her work is socially engaged and speaks to community connection, healing and ecological sustainability. Come view and enjoy this participatory project. Free admission.

Becorns: A Woodland World of Wonder - Exhibit & Sale by David Bird **Opening Reception -**

Sunday, Sept. 8, 2 - 4 p.m.

Exhibit thru October 31

David Bird is a photographer based in Danielson, CT who got his start in character design by working for Lego in Denmark. He makes characters out of acorns, sticks, and whatever else he finds in the back yard, and then he photographs them in the wild with real animals. Most of these photos are the result of a careful study of animal behavior, patience, and a lot of birdseed. You can view his photography and toy designs at davidmbird.com or follow him on Instagram at [davidmbird](https://www.instagram.com/davidmbird). Free admission.

Nature Sketchbook Journaling

Saturday, Sept. 21, 9 a.m. - noon

Spend time at the Center sketching and painting nature, using pencil, pen and watercolor. Roxanne Steed will teach drawing and watercolor techniques. Register online or call 860-928-4948 for a list of materials to bring. Fee: \$10 CAS members; \$20 non-members.

REGULAR WALKS

Wednesday Noon Walks

September 4 through November 27

Join Connecticut Audubon Society volunteers for fresh air, exercise, good company and naturalist lessons along the way. Seniors and parents with

babes in backpacks welcome. Free to CAS members; \$3 non-members.

BIRD WALKS

Weekly Bird Walks

Every Tues. in Sept. & Oct., 8 a.m.

Join Andy Rzeznikiewicz as he points out various bird species. Bring binoculars & wear drab clothing. We carpool to various locations. Fee: \$5 CAS members; \$10 non-members.

Bird Banding

Saturdays, Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28

at 9 a.m.

Observe Andy and fellow bander's capture and band numerous birds. You may even get to release a bird or two. Fee: \$5 CAS members; \$10 non-members.

Bull Hill Bird Walk

Sunday, September 29 at 8 a.m.

This is the prime time to find migrating fall warblers, vireos, and kinglets. We might also observe migrating hawks at the scenic overlook if the weather conditions are right! Fee: \$7 CAS members; \$12 non-members.

Walktober: Bafflin Bird Walk

Saturday, October 12 at 8 a.m.

Come and find southbound migrating birds on the Bafflin Sanctuary. Andy will point out various sparrows, hawks, and other songbirds. Bluebirds, White-crowned Sparrows or Palm Warblers are likely to be seen. Free.

Screech Owl Night Hike

Saturday, October 12 at 7 p.m.

We will hike the sanctuary in the dark looking for screech and other owls. This is a moderately difficult hike and only for those comfortable hiking in the dark at a brisk pace. Register online or call 860-928-4948. Fee: \$5 CAS members; \$10 non-members.

Saw-whet Owl Banding

Saturday, Oct. 19, 26, Nov. 2 at 8 p.m. and

Saturday, Nov. 9, at 7 p.m.

This exciting program should be a memorable experience. Bring your

camera. Will reschedule if inclement weather. (If you can't make these dates, call and leave your name and number. We may schedule an additional banding date.) Register early online or call 860-928-4948. Limited to 20 people per session. Fee: \$15 CAS members; \$25 non-members.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

After School Nature Club

Grades K-6: at the Center

Thursdays from 3:15 - 5 p.m.

Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, & 24.

Please register. Info, forms/rates at www.ctaudubon.org/pomfret-home

CITIZEN SCIENCE Volunteer Monitoring Program

Mammal Tracking/Training Hikes

Our volunteers monitor various sites in CT on the lookout for track and sign of fisher, river otter, mink, moose, black bear, and bobcat. Begin or continue training to become a wildlife monitor by attending training hikes that suit your schedule. Registration is required. Contact paulacoughlin@charter.net. Training fee per hike: \$50 CAS members; \$60 non-members.

Monitoring Hikes:

In Bethany -

Tuesday, Sept 10, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

In Willington -

Saturday, Sept 21, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Training/Monitoring Hikes:

In Woodstock -

Saturday, Sept 14, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

In Canterbury -

TBA (check webpage for updates)

Introductory Tracking Hike

**Saturday, Nov. 30, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
at the Center at Pomfret.**

Get a taste of the tracking experience while learning about our program. Fee: \$25 members/\$35 non-members.

Time to register for the Northeast Wildlife Trackers Conference

October 5 - 6, 2019 at

northeastwildlifetrackers.com

Connecticut Audubon Society conserves Connecticut's environment through science-based education and advocacy focused on the state's bird populations and habitats.

Programs Offered to Groups

We can bring our wildlife video or bird slide programs to you. Senior centers, Scout troops, libraries, garden clubs and any other interested folks - give us a call for program-specific information.

Call 860-928-4948

Directions to Pomfret Conservation Center:

The Center is located at 218 Day Road. From the junction of Routes 101 and 169, head north on Route 169. Take first right onto Day Road. Follow one mile to stop sign. Take right, still on Day Road. Center up on right. Phone 860-928-4948.

**Center Hours: Mon.- Fri. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. Noon to 4 p.m.**

The 702 acre Bafflin Sanctuary is a nationally recognized important bird area and includes a large beaver pond, acres of grasslands, streams, and a hemlock ravine. Over 10 miles of walking trails with interpretive signage. Programming year round.

Directions to the Trail Wood Sanctuary:

From Rte. 6, travel north on Rte. 97 for 2 miles, turn left onto Kenyon Rd., travel 1/2 mile, entrance is on the left.

From Rte. 44, travel south on Rte. 97 for 5.2 miles, turn right on Kenyon Rd., travel 1/2 mile, entrance is on left.

This 168-acre sanctuary is the site of the Edwin Way Teale home & the subject of many of the Pulitzer prize-winning author's writings on nature. The woodland, field, wetland, and pond habitats abound with wildlife. The property offers walking trails, Mr. Teale's writing cabin and study, and a small natural history museum with Teale memorabilia.



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The Edwin Way Teale Memorial Sanctuary: open dawn to dusk, seven days. Teale's writing cabin & study are open by appointment only. Call (860)928-4948.

Friday Afternoon Walks

Sept. 6 through Nov. 22 at 1 p.m.

Join plant enthusiast Anne Christie and nature photographer Amy Porter for a leisurely walk on the trails. We'll see what's of interest in the plant world and share tips on how to get good nature shots. All ages welcome. Free to CAS members; \$3 non-members.

Calm and Creativity:

Sit Spotting at Trail Wood

Sunday, Sept. 8 from 1 - 4 p.m.

The sit spot is a surprisingly powerful practice that can help you unwind, tune into the natural world, and generate creativity. Learn more about the psychology of the sit spot. Led by Katherine Hauswirth, a Writer In-Residence alumnus and author of 'The Book of Noticing...'. Fee \$5.00 CAS members; \$10.00 non-members.

Gardens & Grounds Group

Saturday, Sept. 14 from 9 a.m. - noon

Join a new group of Trail Wood enthusiasts in helping to keep the grounds around the homestead looking lovely and to restore some of the Teale plantings. No experience necessary. Please bring gloves, rakes, clippers and spades. During our coffee break, we will celebrate Nellie's birthday with cake!

After School Nature Club

Grades 1-6: at Trail Wood

Wednesdays from 3:15 - 5 p.m.

Sept. 18, 25, Oct 2, 9, 16, & 23.

Please register. Info, forms/rates at www.ctaudubon.org/trail-wood-home

Bird Walks

Thursday, September 19 &

Thursday, October 17 at 8 a.m.

Join Andy searching for various bird species. Bring binoculars and wear drab colored clothing. We may also visit a nearby Wolf Den Land Trust preserve. Fee: \$5 CAS members; \$10 non-members.

Non-Fiction Book Club

Sundays, Sept. 22, & Oct. 27, 2 - 4 p.m.

Join us for a lively book discussion led by Jacqueline Jacobsohn. September book selection: 'The Nocturnal Brain' by Guy Leschziner. (October book TBD, check our website for updates.) Free - donations appreciated.

Family Treasure Box Hunt

Saturday, October 5 from 1 - 4 p.m.

A fun walk for the whole family! Receive a hint sheet and search for stamp boxes hidden on the trails. Each box contains facts about nature or Trail Wood and a stamp for your sheet. Collect them all and win a prize. Fee per family: \$10.00 CAS members; \$20.00 non-members.

Poetry Workshop with Talvi Ansel

Sunday, October 6 from 2 - 4 p.m.

Talvi Ansel, poet and former Artist In-Residence, will inspire ideas for new poems based on the natural surroundings. Bring a notebook, pen and pencil. All skill levels welcome! Fee: \$10.00 CAS members; \$20.00 non-members.

Nature Sketchbook Journaling

Saturday, Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. - noon

Spend time at Trail Wood, sketching and painting nature, using pencil, pen and watercolor. Roxanne Steed will teach drawing and watercolor techniques. Register online or call 860-928-4948 for a list of materials to

bring. Fee: \$10 CAS members; \$20 non-members.

Walktober: A Day in the Life of Edwin Way Teale

Saturday, October 19 at 10:30 a.m. and again at 1:30 p.m.

Tour Edwin Way Teale's study, his writing cabin, the "branch office", Nellie's summer house and the beaver pond. Free.

Autumn Writers' Workshop

Sunday, October 20 from 2 - 4 p.m.

Leader Alison Davis will read from Edwin's books. You'll go into the quiet of Trail Wood to observe and write. Meet fellow nature lovers and writers of all skill levels. Bring a notebook and pen. Fee: \$10 CAS members; \$20 non-members.

Beaver Moon Campfire and Walk

Friday, Nov. 8 from 7 - 10 p.m.

(Cloud / Rain Date: Nov. 9)

Walk to the beaver pond and enjoy the evening by a campfire. Free to CAS members; \$5.00 non-members.

Gardens & Grounds Group (2nd meeting)

Saturday, Nov. 16 from 9 a.m. - noon

Time to help rake and put the gardens to bed. Then, we'll have a planning session to determine 2020 dates and projects. No experience necessary. Please bring gloves, rakes, clippers and spades.

Haiku Workshop with Sherri Vogt

Saturday, Nov. 23,

10 a.m. - noon

Winter is coming and the landscape is changing. We'll review the Haiku poetry form, then take a walk to record impressions of the season. End with a sharing session and leave some of our poems to inspire others in the public Haiku box at the info shed. Fee \$5.00 CAS members; \$10.00 non-members.

SAVE THE DATE

Trail Wood

Winter Solstice Celebration

Sunday, Dec 22, 5 - 8 p.m.

More info to come.