

## Branford Walkers August 2026 Schedule

**All Branford Trail hikes meet at 8:45 am at the starting point**, where we will start hiking at 9 am. Questions about individual hikes should be addressed to the leader. No dogs allowed.

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| Aug 7 | <p><b>Lake Wintergreen</b>, Hamden. Easiest approach is from Wilbur Cross Parkway, exit 50 (Dixwell Ave/Rt 10 South). Go south and turn right at next light onto Benham St (there is a diner on the corner). Follow Benham to end, then turn left on Main St. Where Main St turns sharply left, turn right into parking lot.</p> <p>From I95, take the exit for Rt 34 West (Downtown New Haven) to Ella Grasso Blvd. Turn right on Grasso. Turn left on Whalley Ave (Rt 10), then right onto Fitch St (still Rt 10). After Southern Conn State U overpass, turn left on Wintergreen Ave. Bear left at fork with Wilmot Rd, then turn right to stay on Wintergreen. At next intersection (Brookside Ave), go left to stay on Wintergreen. Pass main entrance road to West Rock State Park on left, then Nature Center on right. Go under Wilbur Cross Parkway. Pass Carbonella Dr and Woodin St, then Wintergreen School. Turn left onto Main St for about 1/10 mile, then left into parking lot. For GPS, use 53 Main St, Hamden. Leo Cristofar 203-214-5824</p> |
| 14    | <p><b>Bittner Park</b>, Guilford. Off rte 77, 2.7 miles north of I95 exit 58 . GPS 1390 Durham Rd (rte 77), Guilford. Deborah Hoyt 603-867-1047</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 21    | <p><b>Lake Pattaconk</b>, Chester</p> <p>Directions: I 95 N. Take exit 64 for route 145. Turn left onto rt 145 north to rt 80. Go right for 0.4 mile, then left to continue north on 145 to end. Turn right onto rt 148 east. Go 0.1 mile, take a left onto Cedar Lake Road, go approx. 2 miles. take a left at a brown boat-launch sign and follow park road past lake into parking lot. Sue Frechette 860-227-6520</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 28    | <p><b>Saltonstall Ridge Trail</b>, North Branford. GPS: 63 Lantern View Drive, North Branford. Start from Twin Lakes Rd in North Branford which runs between Rte 80 and Rte 139. From Twin Lakes turn onto Summit Drive (only one way to go). Follow Summit where it makes a right turn, and continue half-way around a large circular route. Go past Rolling Hills Drive, then turn right onto Lantern View Drive. Park anywhere around the large circle at the end of Lantern View. Geoffrey Smith 203-488-3352.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |