

# Enjoying Special Places Together

Representatives from the Francestown Conservation Commission and Francestown Land Trust were pleased to offer ten programs to Special Places in 2025. With *Lessons in the Forest* we enjoyed a walk to identify spring wildflowers, a tree ID hike in early summer, and a history-infused hike in collaboration with the Francestown Improvement and Historical Society to The Lost Village in the fall. The “*Exploring our Trails*” series began with a hike on Scot’s Trail in the Crotched Mt Town Forest. There were six additional hikes, many of which started in Francestown but then went beyond our town borders. Two of the hikes were “*Slow and Steady*” for folks who preferred a more leisurely pace.



Hiking our local trails is a wonderful way to spend time with friends and family. Whether you prefer the relaxing shorter hikes, the more challenging cardio-boosting ones, or the mountain bike trails, Francestown has a great variety of options. Winter is coming and winter hikers, cross-country skiers and those on snowshoes will be hitting the trails. We are fortunate to have a wealth of natural resources and many Special Places to enjoy it all. Stay tuned for more opportunities to join us in 2026!