

Itinerary
Springwater Fieldtrip L
Bill Menke and Dallas Abbott
August 28, 2018

10:00 AM, Leave Seahaven Cottage, Auburn Colony, Harpswell Maine.

10:30 AM, Otter Brook Preserve, Harpswell Heritage Land Trust, 428 Harpswell Neck Road, Harpswell Maine. We walked the North and South Loops through recently-logged conifer woods and stopped at several viewpoints that offered excellent views of wetlands.

12:00 PM, Farm on Cushman Road, Woodstock Maine, with white Geese in a pond. We stopped at the farm to ask directions.

12:30 PM, Spring 1 (Site 85), Lake Christopher Spring, 206 North Main Street (Rt 26), Woodstock Maine, on the east side of the highway, between two intersections of the Mills Road loop. A small, well-kept wooden spring house is on the hillside, about fifty feet from two closely-spaced outflow pipes on the side of the road.

1:15 PM, Twitchell Pond, along Greenwood Road, Greenwood Maine. We stopped to view the pond and the impressive cliffs on its far shore.

1:30 PM, Spring 2 (Site 86), Greenwood Road Spring, on the west side of Greenwood Road near the Richardson Hollow Road intersection. The spring house is an 8-in plastic standpipe about 200 feet up on the hillside, with a 1-in black plastic pipe leading to the roadside. The pipe passes through an older concrete spring house, about halfway down, and through an older 4-in white PVC pipe. The hillside is very muddy with spring activity. A steep ravine with a small stream at the bottom is on the opposite side of the road. We chatted amiably with a local man and woman, who were filling water jugs. The woman gave us her business card, "Marie Hurrell, Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, Licensed Massage Therapist, Reiki Practitioner, 200-Hr Registered Yoga Teacher, Blue Heron Synergy, remindyourmuscles@gmail.com".

We passed a second not-flowing spring, about a quarter-mile further south along Greenwood Road, also on the west side of the road.

2:00 PM, Spring 3 (Site 87), Waterford Spring, 414 Waterford Road, Waterford Maine, behind the red Knights of Pythias Building, across from Kimball's hardware store, and near the Bear Mountain Grange. A small wooden spring house on a concrete block foundation sits about fifty feet uphill of the outlet pipe, next to unusually large trees. The water flows into a cistern, made from a section through a two foot diameter ceramic water pipe. Dallas chatted with the proprietor of the Kimball store, who said that the spring had been there as long as she remembered, sixty years, at least.

4:30 PM, Range Ponds State Park, Poland Maine. Dallas swam at the public beach while I walked a loop through the woods along the lakeshore, north of the beach.

6:00 PM, We purchased a takeout dinner at Sam's Italian Foods, Taylor Brook Mall, Auburn Maine, and ate it while visiting Maude and Ed Abbott, in Auburn.

8:30 PM, Back in Harpswell Maine.