

Outdoor Adventure-Inspired Conservation

An informal gathering hosted by the Maine Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club



Founded in 1876, the Appalachian Mountain Club promotes the protection, enjoyment, and understanding of the mountains, forests, waters, and trails of America's Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. We believe these resources have intrinsic worth and also provide recreational opportunities, spiritual renewal, and ecological and economic health for the region. Because successful conservation depends on active engagement with the outdoors, we encourage people to experience, learn about, and appreciate the natural world.

Allagash Brewing Company in Portland October 6, 2016 5:30-7:30p.m.

Beer tasting and snacks by Allagash!

To further its conservation mission AMC is inviting hikers, climbers, mountain bikers, cyclists, paddlers, skiers, and surfers, and anyone involved in similar adventures to come together to meet and discuss conservation issues related to our outdoor-adventure sports. This gathering is intended to be a loose affiliation of like-minded people who want to put their collective heads together to work on **conservation** of and **access** to areas with outdoor recreation opportunities.

We anticipate this meeting will be a first step in plugging those interested in becoming more involved in shaping conservation policy in the northeast into conservation activities being pursued by AMC, one of its partner organizations, or connecting you with a network of people and resources to pursue your own ideas.

Some potential issues to discuss . . .

- Want to make sure your favorite activity is included in a management plan for the new Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument?
- Climate change affecting your ski season?
- Want to protect access to your favorite trail or crag?
- Interested in new hiking and backcountry ski opportunities in Maine's North Woods?
- Storm water pollution affecting your favorite surf spot?
- Uphill backcountry ski travel prohibited at your local ski area?
- Interested in promoting ecotourism and the outdoor products industry?
- Would you like to work cooperatively with other trail users groups to access, develop, and maintain trails?

We also want you to participate! If you have a short (approx. 5 to 10 minutes) slide show or film featuring a cool adventure that would fit in with the overall theme of the night, we would love to show it. Please submit proposals to the email address below.

For further information contact: conservation@amcmaine.org