

SADDLEBACK MOUNTAIN

EXPLORE THE WILDS™

Nordic skiing and snowshoeing at the Wilds™ of the Rangeley Lakes Trails Center is the ultimate Maine woods winter experience you won't want to miss! You may have skied trail systems that were railroad beds or golf courses and thought that was pretty nice, but nothing compares to the Rangeley Wilds™ experience on trails that show off our region's most spectacular mountain and lake vistas.

The Wilds™ trails wind around giant prehistoric boulders, through a variety of serene woodland ecosystems, and over babbling brooks. Even though you're only a few ski glides or snowshoe steps away from the cozy comfort of our yurt lodge, you feel as though you are miles from anywhere.

Our 65 kilometer mapped trail system is nestled on the side of Saddleback Mountain offering trails for all levels of skill. Trails are groomed for skate and classic Nordic skiing. We also feature dedicated single-track trails for the backwoods snowshoe experience as well. These trails double as mountain bike trails in the summer but are transformed in the winter with the quiet beauty of our legendary snow cover. There are several loops that offer you a choice of trek length, from a quick workout to a day-long outing with a picnic!

Picnic tables sponsored by our local businesses and individuals (in some

cases, even dogs!) are placed at strategic points along the scenic trails. Here you can take a moment to relax, breathe in that crisp mountain air, and have a picnic or a thermos break while you take in the surroundings of the Wilds™ of Rangeley.

The friendly staff at our yurt lodge are here to greet you, get you fitted out with xc ski or snow shoe equipment, if needed, and offer suggestions for routes to match your ability or time frame. Upon your return, warm up with a variety of choices for hot lunches, hot beverages, and snacks of all kinds.

A special event hosted every year by the Rangeley Lakes Trails Center is the TD Bank Rangeley Lakes Loppet on March 6, 2010. There are 25km and 50km races to test your mettle or you can opt to cruise along our spectacular trails and enjoy gourmet food stops stocked with yummy soups and chowders from local restaurants. A classic-style race of a 25km course offers special



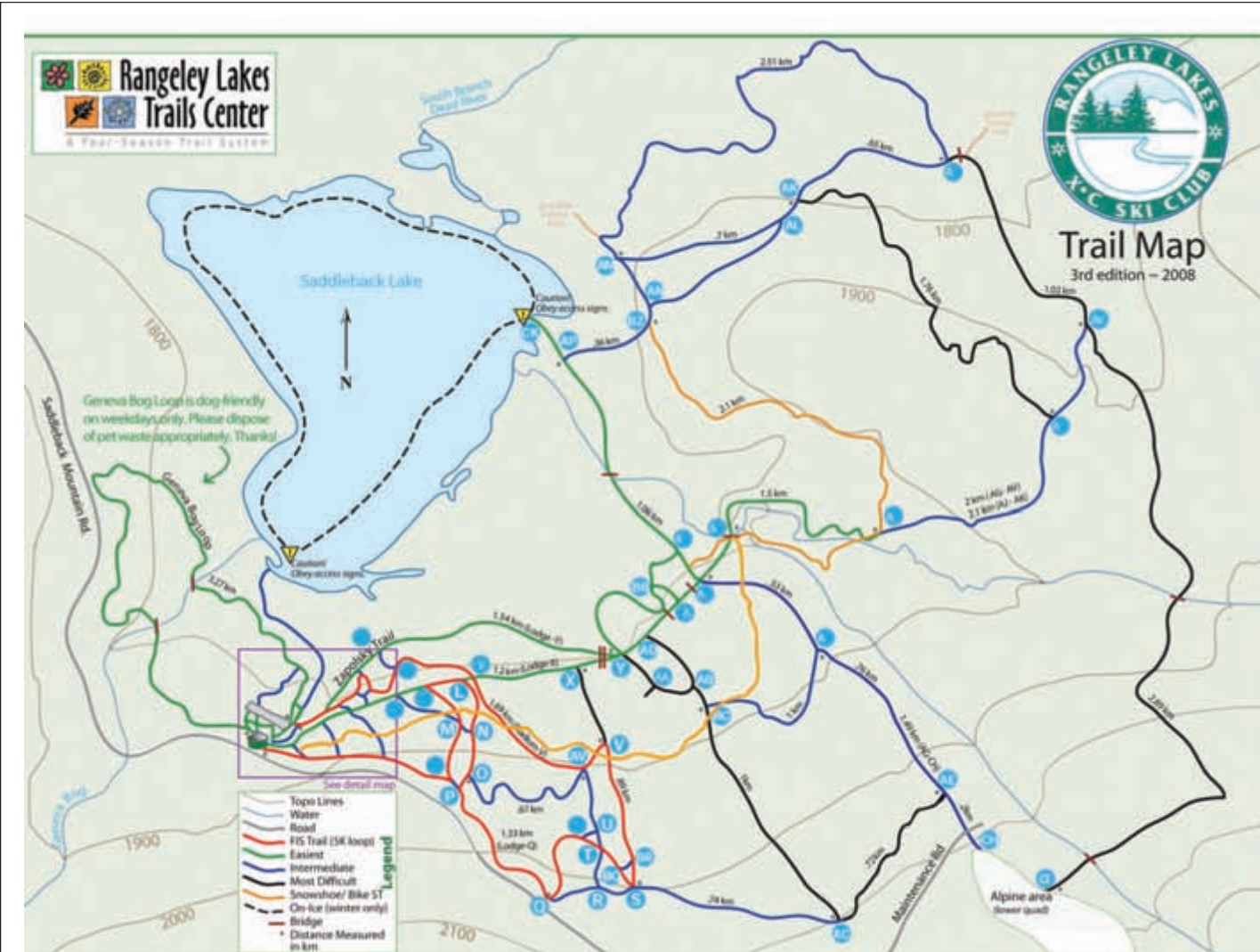
tribute to our long-time benefactor Burt Kettle—we call it the Kettle Classic. Everyone gets a prize no matter how you finish!

The Rangeley Lakes Trails Center will be open 8:30-4:00 every day. Season passes, a specially priced 10-pass ticket, daily tickets, rentals and ski lessons are

all available. Please call ahead to arrange lessons. We look forward to seeing you at the Wilds™-Maine's most unique backwoods experience—at the Rangeley Lakes Trails Center! www.xcskirangeley.com, 207-864-4309, 524 Saddleback Mtn Rd, P.O. Box 1283, Rangeley, ME 04970.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SADDLEBACK, PLEASE SEE SKI TRACKS: HISTORY, STARTING ON PAGE 5, AND THE MOUNTAIN STATS ON PAGE 42.



Important Trail Information

Our trail signs look like this—

← You are here. →

← Direction to next intersection. →

The FIS 5km Trail is marked like this.

- You MUST have a Day or Season Pass to ski, snowshoe, or skijor on these trails during the winter.
- Skijoring and (winter) dog walking is allowed on the Geneva Bog Loop only on weekdays. Pets are welcome during non-snow season any time. Please be courteous of other people and dogs you encounter.
- We encourage you to take a Trail Map with you any time you are on the trails.
- These trails have been built and are maintained by the Rangeley Lakes Cross Country Ski Club, a non-profit organization. All proceeds go to the maintenance, grooming & development of this trail system.

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