

Sharing the Trail - Tips for ALL Trail Users

- Earbuds/speakers need to be removed or kept at minimal volume to allow you to hear other trail users.
- Be aware of your surroundings at all times. Allow room for others on the trail.
- If you have a dog, keep the leash short & the dog under control. Pick up your dog's waste.
- Listen for bikers ringing their bike bells to alert you to their presence on the trail.
- When yielding the trail to another user, stand out in the open so you can be seen.

Sharing the Trail with **Horses** - Tips for ALL Trail Users

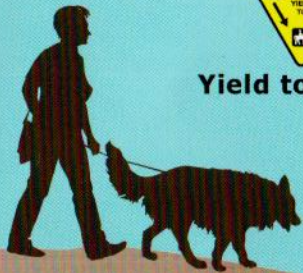
- Stop & step off the trail at least 3 feet. Allow the animal to be on the uphill side of you.
- If the right of way is yielded to you, proceed slowly, steadily & continue talking to the animal as you pass.
- If an animal seems nervous, consider removing your helmet or backpack.
- Approach animals slowly, even well trained animals may startle.
- When overtaking riders, call out or ring bike bell until you get a response from the rider. Stop & follow their instructions.

Hikers and Runners

- Make your presence known when approaching other trail users.
- Allow faster trail users to pass.
- Keep your dog leashed, under control and PLEASE pick up any deposits left by your pets.
- Runners, please realize that you are swift and silent and may startle other trail users.



Yield to Horses



Everyone yields to nature

Mountain Bikers

- Expect other trail users, especially as you approach corners.
- Ride in control and within your ability at all times. Your speed should not exceed your sight-stopping distance.
- Yield to all hikers, runners, and equestrians, and to uphill bikers.
- Slow down as you approach other trail users and pass only if the right-of-way is yielded to you.

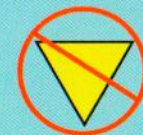


Yield to Horses & Hikers

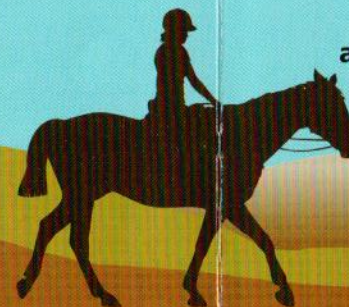


Equestrians

- Call out to other trail users as you may see them before they see you.
- You have a responsibility to manage your animals on the trail. It is not advisable to ride a "green" horse or mule on high-traffic multi-use trails.
- Most bikers and hikers will yield, but some do not have experience with animals. Please use a friendly approach to educate other trail users during these encounters.



Horses & Mules
always have the Right-of-Way



Trail Etiquette

A positive trail experience requires **respect, courtesy, communication & cooperation** by all trail users.

Avoid environmental damage by staying on trails. **Do not use when trails are muddy.**

Keep pets leashed
& under control.
Pick up waste.

Plan ahead & prepare.
(maps, water, cell
phone, etc.)

Stay alert to your
surroundings.

Respect wildlife & plants.

PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT

Prescott Trails Safety Coalition

Special thanks to:

Horsing Around

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Granite Mountain Riders
www.granitemtriders.com

Backcountry Horsemen of Central AZ
www.bchcaz.org

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www.prescottmtb.com

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www.Yavapai-trails.org

Prescott Outings Club
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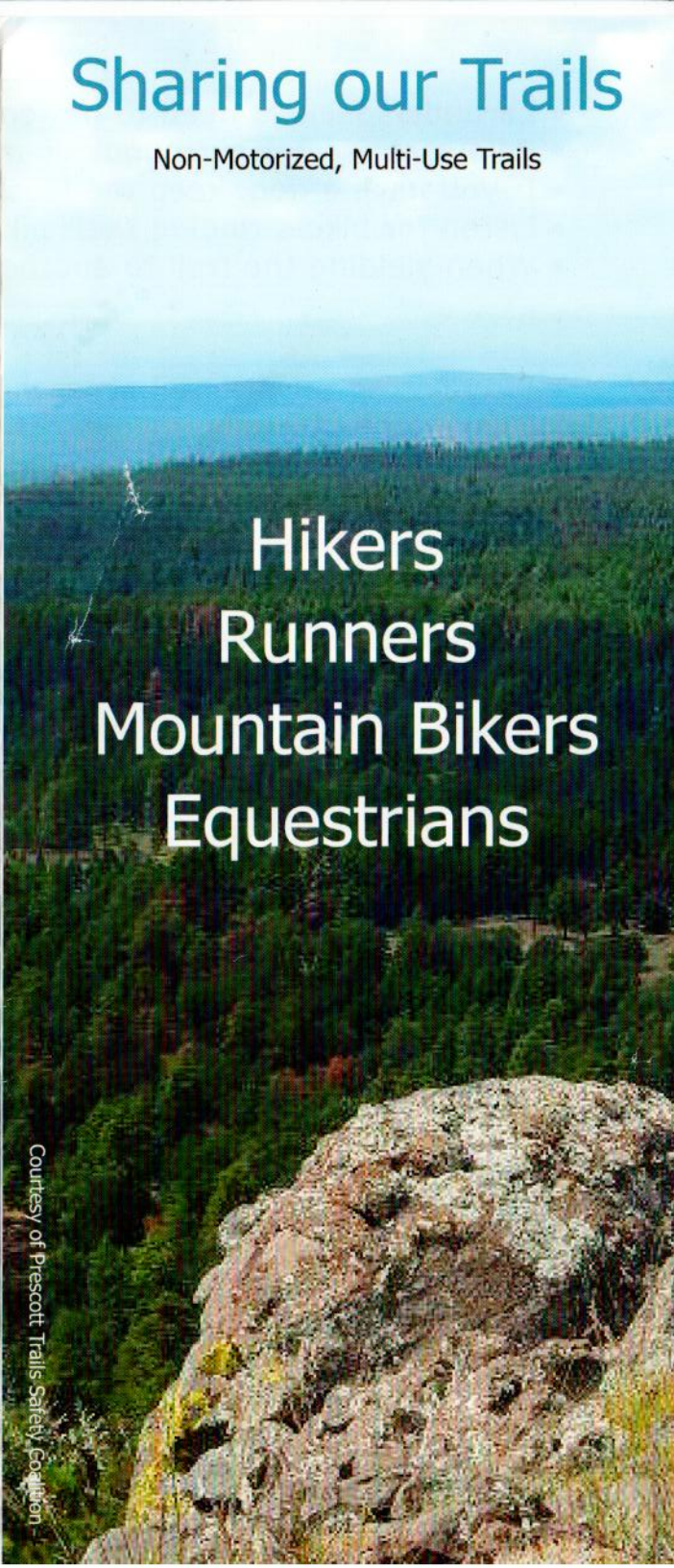
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Thank you for keeping every trail and user safe.

To report a need for trail maintenance or an unsafe trail condition/situation, please log onto PTSC-2011.com and post under the Trail Report/Incident tab.

Sharing our Trails

Non-Motorized, Multi-Use Trails



Hikers
Runners
Mountain Bikers
Equestrians