



**Beaver Brook Association**  
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## **Facility Rental** **Guide**

### **Appreciation begins with experience**

Bring your group to Beaver Brook Association and experience nature firsthand. We have facilities, meeting rooms, and classroom space to accommodate groups from small to large. We can provide customized environmental appreciation programs to enhance your day's event or develop your own program with help from Beaver Brook staff. Come out and discover nature in our beautiful relaxing setting!

### **Our Mission**

The mission of Beaver Brook Association (BBA) is to promote environmental education and land stewardship. Since its founding in 1964, BBA has grown to encompass nearly 2,000 acres of land, 30 miles of trails and other resources, including meeting rooms, classrooms, libraries and camping facilities. We have recently developed an initiative to encourage use of our meeting rooms and facilities by non-profit groups, businesses, and civic organizations.

### **Our Policy**

In keeping with our mission of natural resource education, our facility usage policy requires that your organization or group encompass within your program an environmental educational component. This could involve a limited presentation by BBA staff focusing on the history and programs available to the public at Beaver Brook, or an interpretive walk along our trails.

### **Our Programs**

More comprehensive programming can be customized for your meeting or seminar to complement your activities. For example, corporate groups have utilized orienteering programs in the past as a leadership building activity. Your group is free to bring in an approved outside presenter as well.

Our staff can assist you with planning as needed. By promoting environmental awareness in conjunction with your group's activities, BBA can offer your members valuable programming while, at the same time, advance the mission of our organization and provide greater outreach to the community at large.

## **Our Facilities & Rates:**

### **Maple Hill Barn**

The Maple Hill Barn is a restored historic barn with plenty of open spaces for large groups of up to 125 people. It also has a full kitchen and access to several bathrooms. The facility, which combines form with function without compromising comfort or convenience, is close to our lush gardens and main trailheads. Closed in winter.

Rates:	Full Day *	1/2 Day
Corporate	\$ 250	\$ 150
Educational	\$ 150	\$ 90
Non-profit	\$ 100	\$ 75

\* A Full Day is 8 hours

### **Brown Lane Barn**

The Brown Lane Barn is our second smaller restored barn that makes a great meeting place for groups who need a larger classroom space for activities. The barn holds 40 people and has a full kitchen, immediate access to trails, and plenty of parking. It is set in a valley surrounded by open fields, pine forests, and a gazebo. Adjacent to the barn is one of Hollis' oldest standing homes built in 1752!

Rates:	Full Day *	1/2 Day	Hourly **
Corporate	\$ 150	\$ 100	\$ 25
Educational	\$ 100	\$ 75	\$ 20
Non-profit	\$ 75	\$ 50	\$ 15

\* A Full Day is 8 hours

\*\* Two hour minimum

### **Spear Room [at Maple Hill Farm]**

The Spear Room is our most affordable and functional meeting and classroom space. Located at our Maple Hill Farm it is close to the main trailheads and gardens and has access to a kitchen, TV and VCR. It is also our only air-conditioned classroom.

Rates:	Full Day *	1/2 Day	Hourly **
Corporate	\$ 125	\$ 80	\$ 20
Educational	\$ 75	\$ 50	\$ 15
Non-profit	\$ 50	\$ 40	\$ 12.50

\* A Full Day is 8 hours

\*\* Two hour minimum

## **Our Facilities & Rates (continued):**

### **Camping Cabins**

A 10 minute walk from our Brown Lane parking lot is all that it takes to feel like you're in the middle of the wilderness. Two bunkhouses, which sleep 11 people each, and a cookhouse with a propane stove are nestled among the tall pines near an active beaver pond. With wood stoves in each of the buildings, the campsite is used year round by scout troops and other organized groups who might want to hone their camping skills. A fire pit and wood are provided. No access to water.

#### **Rates:**

First Night	\$ 50
Each additional night	\$ 25
Hourly (2 hour minimum)	\$ 12.50

### **Basic Guidelines for all Facilities**

- 50% deposit to reserve facility and date. Full payment for cabins.
- Full payment due 7 days prior to reserved date.
- \$50 refundable cleaning deposit and \$50 refundable damage/key deposit required by check or credit card. Cleaning deposit waived for cabins.
- 50% of full cost will be retained if cancellation is within 7 days of reserved date.
- \$15 process fee for rescheduling within 7 days of reserved date.
- All groups must have a current Certificate of Insurance on file at Beaver Brook's office.

### **Our History**

Beaver Brook Association is a non-profit educational corporation chartered in 1964 dedicated to the advancement of the natural world among people of all ages. Beaver Brook was founded by Hollis and Ellen Nichols and Jeffrey Smith as a gift to their community. Although supported primarily by private funds and trusts they established, Beaver Brook relies on its Friends of Beaver Brook supporters and private donations to defray the costs of building maintenance and educational programs. Its goal from the beginning was to be an outdoor laboratory for people to learn more about the way their natural resources could be managed in a sound and productive manner.

Since its founding, the property has grown from a small 12 acre lot to over 2,000 acres in three different towns in southern New Hampshire. In addition to education, Beaver Brook contributes greatly to the protection of the mostly undeveloped watersheds of Beaver Brook and Rocky Pond Brook, which flow into major watersheds here in southern New Hampshire and neighboring Massachusetts. Beaver Brook's green belt of varying topography, woodlands and wetlands, protects clean water and a natural area of ecologically significant size. Just forty-five minutes from Boston and six miles from Nashua, NH, Beaver Brook provides a respite for thousands of people annually and has become an important link for the southern New Hampshire community to learn about the natural world.

**Its current operations now include:**

- Over 16 historic buildings most of them utilized for educational programs or exhibit displays..
- Over 30 miles of trails for hiking, biking, skiing, snowshoeing, and horseback riding.
- Walks, field trips, lectures, classes, workshops, outreach programs and seasonal activities for pre-schoolers through adults.
- One of he area's largest display and demonstration gardens open to the public.
- Forest and wildlife management that demonstrates sustainable forestry practices and wildlife habitat techniques.
- Our Summer Solstice and Fall Festival events..

**Beaver Brook is a great alternative for:**

- Corporate Leadership Programs
- Office seminars and training
- Group meetings.
- Child and adult classes
- Scouting activities
- Field trips
- Nature hikes

**Popular programs include:**

- Orienteering
- Forest Forts and Other Survival Techniques
- Tree and Plant Identification
- Backyard Forestry
- Water Wonders
- Bugs, Beetles, and Butterflies
- Native American Studies
- Maple Sugaring
- Snowshoeing

We also have themed nature walks and nature appreciation hikes.

If you can think of it, we should be able to accommodate it! Call us at (603) 465-7787 for more information or to arrange a tour of our facilities.

**The mission of Beaver Brook Association is to promote understanding of interrelationships in the natural world and to encourage conservation of natural resources through education and stewardship.**