Dear Runners,

We are glad to hear you will be joining us for the summer season at the Craftsbury Running Camp!

Check-in time for camp is between 2:00 and 3:30 p.m., followed by a 4:00 p.m. tour of the Center and a short, easy run to loosen the kinks from your travels to camp. Your first meal will be dinner in our dining hall. Your last meal will be breakfast on the program’s last day. Check-out time from rooms for program participants is 10:30 a.m.

Week long camps end with a social around a bonfire. You may want to bring a T-shirt for the T-shirt exchange after social and a gift for the gift exchange. You can purchase a gift between $5 and $8 during one of the many field trips, from our retail shop, or bring something from home.

Upgrade Accommodations – Our rates include a double occupancy room with a shared bath/shower facility. Bedding and towels are provided. For an additional charge, you can upgrade to a single room, single room with private bath, suite, and/or a cabin when available. Please call the office for more information.

Running is the central activity at camp, but we do plenty of other athletic and fun things including biking on dirt roads and trails, hiking, and circuit and core training. We are located on the shore of beautiful Lake Hosmer where you will find time for swimming, deep water running, kayaking, and canoeing.

Dress at the Center is casual, and the weather is varied. Be prepared for a rain shower now and then, some cool evenings, and many warm days. As you plan for your trip, you may want to include rain gear, a sweater or sweatshirt, a bathing suit, extra running shoes, a backpack or fanny pack for the bike rides and hikes, bug spray, a radio, camera, flashlight, and shoes suitable for hiking Mt. Pisgah. Use of a mountain bike is included during your week or weekend stay. You are also welcome to bring your own bike if you prefer. Some runners like to bring their own bike specific shorts as well as gloves.

Dining Hall - Meals are served buffet style and include fresh local produce and home-style cooking. A vegetarian option is offered at each meal. With notice, the kitchen can accommodate the following dietary needs: Lactose intolerance, vegan, gluten free and Celiac disease. Guests with food allergies need to be aware that we cannot guarantee the complete absence of any food ingredient in our kitchen. That being said, we will do our best to accommodate non-life threatening food allergies. You must notify the office of any dietary needs/allergies prior to your arrival, and we recommend that you speak to the kitchen staff directly upon arrival. We will do our best to fulfill, but cannot guarantee, your meal seating requests. Bag lunches are available if ordered by 4:30 pm the day before.
Transportation - If you choose to arrive by public transportation, Burlington is the nearest airport, and bus and train lines service Waterbury. Please call our office for taxi referrals and check our website for more details on taxi referrals and car pool information.

Retail Shop - The Center’s retail shop offers a variety of items for sale: clothing, Vermont-made products like pure maple syrup, pottery, our own cookbook, and training principles books. You are sure to find something unique to bring home. We also carry a variety of wine and beer, including a selection of Vermont’s microbreweries and wineries.

Facilities - The Center is located on a dirt road two and a half miles from scenic Craftsbury Common. The terrain of the Northeast Kingdom is a mixture of rolling hills, dairy farms, and white clapboard villages. We’re situated on the shore of Lake Hosmer; a two-mile long, sparsely developed lake whose cool waters are delightful for swimming or canoeing. The Center’s canoes and kayaks are free for houseguest use. Both lodges have refrigerators available for guest use. In addition, Cedar Lodge has a fitness room, sauna (remember to pack your bathing suit!), and lounge. Washers and dryers are available for guest use from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. by donation. Both Cedar & Tamarack Lodges offer satellite TV, and both lodges have DVD/VCRs. Vermont law prohibits smoking in all public buildings.

Pet Policy: We have one pet friendly accommodation – Cabin B. Your dog must be on a leash and under close supervision at all times. Please keep your pet off our waterfront. There is a pet cleaning charge of $80.00 plus tax per stay.

Communication - Mail can be sent to you at the below address, and phone messages can be left with our office during business hours. Both lodges have a land line phone. Guests can be reached in Cedar Lodge at (802) 586-9113 and in Tamarack Lodge at (802) 586-2386. You can receive incoming calls on all our phones. We don’t have phones in any of our cabins, suites, or rooms. There is NO cell phone coverage in this area. You can buy a calling card in our Retail Shop. WiFi is available in all of our accommodations.

The Area - There is a small country store and a garage in Craftsbury Village, four miles from the Center. The nearest drugstore is located in Hardwick, twelve miles away. The closest hospital is in Morrisville, twenty miles from the Center. The office can provide you with directions to these locations.

Liability and Security - The Craftsbury Outdoor Center is not responsible for the loss of, or damage to, guest and visitors articles left on the premises at any time. This includes property belonging to guests, visitors, or vendors. Liability for damages to the premises will be charged accordingly.

Please call if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you and hope you enjoy your visit to the Craftsbury Outdoor Center.

Sincerely,
The Craftsbury Outdoor Center