

2026 Botanical Survey of The Bowl Research Natural Area

*A floristic inventory, volunteer effort,
and old-growth forest story*

Wonalancet Out Door Club Program

Saturday, July 18, 2026 • 4 p.m.

Wonalancet Chapel, Wonalancet, New Hampshire

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Join ecologist and botanist Michael Whittemore, founder of Rewild Ecological, for an introduction to the 2026 botanical inventory of The Bowl Research Natural Area. Conducted in partnership with the Wonalancet Out Door Club and the U.S. Forest Service, and supported by private donors, this project will document one of New Hampshire's finest remaining old-growth forests. Learn why The Bowl matters and how you can participate as a volunteer botanist during the 2026 field season.

PROGRAM AGENDA

Welcome & introduction

The Bowl Research Natural Area & the 2026 survey

- What is The Bowl RNA?
- Why The Bowl is special
- Old-growth forest ecology
- Previous research
- Why floristic surveys matter
- The 2026 Bowl flora study

Volunteer participation

- How volunteers can help
- How to use iNaturalist
- Field dates
- How observations become science



ABOUT THE RESEARCHER



Michael Whittemore is an ecologist and botanist with more than 10 years of conservation experience and the founder of Rewild Ecological, a consulting firm specializing in biological inventories, ecological research, and restoration. He holds a Master of Science in Environmental Studies from Ohio University, where his graduate research focused on plant community ecology and old-growth forest vegetation. He has spent years documenting the flora and natural communities of the White Mountains.



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