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**PRESS RELEASE ... FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

*Sat., MAY 16, 2009 ~ 1-3 pm*



Photo: Marsh Marigold

**SPRING WILD FLOWERS ON THE BEN UTTER TRAIL**

**Exeter**

**(Weather Date: Sun., May 17)**

**Leader: DOUG McGRADY**

This scenic trail is a wonderful spot for seeing a variety of woodland wild flowers. May is a great time to go because many of the plants bloom before the leaves come out. Along the river there are rich, moist areas with Marsh Marigolds, Anemones, Bellworts, Dwarf Ginseng and Canada Mayflower. We will detour to a rocky, upland Sugar Maple forest, where the soils are richer and less acidic, not typical for Rhode Island. There we will see some unusual ferns, including Maidenhair and Rattlesnake, along with some uncommon Violets and Bellworts. Moderate walk.

Fee: \$5 members, \$7 non-members

Pre-registration required 48 hours in advance. Call 789-7497 or email [office@riwps.org](mailto:office@riwps.org) to register.