

# TRAILWRITES

## MAKING TRAILS RIGHT

7/2/2014



### Ray's Ramblings

We had a beautiful day for our Annual Meeting this year held at the Fox Forest Research Center in Hillsboro, NH. After the tools were sharpened and oiled, our meeting and pot-luck dinner

was tops as always. The slide show, provide by long time member Ray Turmelle, Hiking in the White mountains, showed many examples of the trails we as Trailwrights have maintained over the years.

The spring trail stewardship events were well attended at Artist's Bluff, Cold river camp weekends(2) and National Trails Day at Mt. Kearsarge.

72 feet of new bog bridges ( 9 – 8 FT sections) were constructed on the Little Deer Trail on Chatham Trails, led by member Mike Zlogar.

On the Winslow Trail, we rebuilt waterbars, removed blowdowns, cleared drainage outlets, laid in debris for trail and treadway definition and did a few rock steps as well. Along with the old folks, we had some new participants including two teenagers who learned a lot of different tasks.

Monadnock Trails Week, sponsored by the SPNHF and NH DRED will be upon us shortly. Carrie Deegan, SPNHF Volunteer coordinator; will need plenty of help from July 11 through July 15 on these well used trails. You can contact her at Carrie Deegan at [cdeegan@forestsociety.org](mailto:cdeegan@forestsociety.org) or call 224-9945.

After this, we will try to rebuild the trails at Fox Forest in Hillsboro, NH on the 19th of July, which is NH Trails Day.

Later this year, we will be going back to Kearsarge North in North Conway to complete the hardening of the turnpike and rock work we finished last year with stone fill. Also we will try to clean and rebuild the waterbars further up on this trail.

Stay tuned for more as we may add new challenges on our website when our help and training is requested.

## July 2014

Invite a friend to one of these fun days, we provide Pizza to those that help and work with us.

See you on the trails,

Regards,

Raynold Jackson,President

### **Summer/Fall work schedule:**

**July 19** - NH Trails Day at Fox Forest. Trail improvements to the main trail, including drainage and hardening, steps, and other reconstruction. We will be meeting at 8:30 at the Fox Forest headquarters in Hillsboro, NH. Pizza to follow! Contact Ray Jackson for more information.

**July 26** - Dan Doan Trail, Orford, NH Trailwrights will be leading and working with the adoptor of the Dan Doan trail James Monroe and Jason Berard co-adoptor and hopefully a few others maintaining the Dan Doan Trail. We will be doing tread way trail improvements in a couple of locations. If more help shows we can make more improvements. We could use the help. Meet at 8:30 at the jct of NH Rt. 25A and the Quintown Rd.in Orfordville, 10 miles west of Wentworth Jct of NHRt.25 and 25A. Bring gloves, lunch etc. Tools provided. More info contact Hal Graham at 286-3506, e-mail [halpeg76@metrocast.net](mailto:halpeg76@metrocast.net)

**Sat. August 2** Mt. Pemigewasset Trail, Franconia Notch, NH. Trailwrights will be leading and assisting the adopter of the Mt. Pemigewasset Trail and are putting the call out for those interested in helping. For those new to the craft, this is a great opportunity to learn some of the methods of trail maintenance. Projects/Locations will be decided by how much help we get. There is much to do from one end to the other. Main rock work and drainage will be the order of the day. If you can make it please let me know ahead of time. We will meet at the Flume visitors center Parkway Exit 34A. Meeting time is 8:30 at the entrance to the Bike Path. Bring lunch, gloves, etc. Tools supplied. More info e-mail [halpeg76@metrocast.net](mailto:halpeg76@metrocast.net) or call 603-286-3506

**September 20** - Kearsarge North, North Conway, NH. Gravel hardening project. Contact Ralph Potter. 228-2366

**Oct. 18.** Artist Bluff fall clean up. Trailwrights will be leading this hands on workshop. It is time for getting our adopted trail ready for the spring. and to continue a project we started last time out but ran out of time. All waterbars and drainage to be cleaned on the entire loop. Continuing the improvements on the Bald Mt. lower section with Rock steps to be installed. I am sure we can find more drainage to install if enough help is on hand. Just bring lunch, gloves etc. and a desire to have fun. If possible a little advance notice would help us plan better. You can E-mail at [halpeg76@metrocast.net](mailto:halpeg76@metrocast.net) or call 603-286-3506. Directions Franconia Notch Parkway exit 34C for the parking lot uphill past Echo Beach.

Go on our website at [www.trailwrights.org](http://www.trailwrights.org) or our Facebook page to see any updates

**National Trails Day**



Go to our Facebook page for more photos!



Hal, teaching water bar cleaning



Nice step placement, Bruce, Dan and crew

**TRAILWRIGHTS' STORE**

	Member	Non-Member
Blue or gray tee shirts	\$ 8.00	\$10.00
Blue or gray sweatshirt	\$12.00	\$15.00
Hooded sweatshirts	\$15.00	\$17.00
Bumper sticker	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.00
Logo decal	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.00
Logo patches	\$ 4.00	\$ 5.00
Pins	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00

Items available at outings. Please call or email Peggy for sending through the mail.

**Don't forget to stop at The Old Man viewing and find our 12x24 paver.**

### Trailwrights Directory

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Welcome new members!

Larry Yetter from Mont Vernon  
Danielle Normand, Manchester

## 72 Summits Club Information

**Purpose:** To provide an opportunity and a challenge to the serious hiker in a mountain environment; to develop his or her skills in areas of navigation on and off trails; to spread the impact of hikers over a larger area and less often visited peaks; to discover each peak as a unique entity; and to give the hiker a well-rounded experience in mountain weather and topography.

To provide an awareness of stewardship for the trails we enjoy.

**Requirements:** Hike to and from the 72 peaks on the official list from the trailhead, and complete 72 hours of documented trail work, 21 hours of which must be done with Trailwrights.

**Reward:** Trailwrights 72 patch, and the satisfaction of being a mountaineer.

Our website provides listings of Trailwrights outings as well as others' outings. We publish their outings as a "Courtesy" to them, but they do not qualify for the 21 hours of Trailwrights' work, though they do qualify for the 72 hours.

### HELP WANTED:

Newsletter editor with graphics experience  
Toolmaster willing to attend the tools on each outing

Publicity person able to spread the word

Young people not afraid to work

You!

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