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SPRING-SUMMER 2010

MAKING TRAILS RIGHT FOR **20** YEARS

Echo Lake from the Bald Mountain, Franconia Notch State Park

Trailwrights Annual Meeting

Sunday, April 18 • 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Fox Forest, Hillsboro, New Hampshire

Renew Friendships, Renew Memberships
Election of Officers, Spring-Summer Planning
Slide Show featuring High-Line Work on the AT in Maine
Ice Cream and Pot-Luck Lunch
See Calendar for details

Calendar

Board Meetings - May 17, June 21: Trailwrights Board of Directors meet on the third Monday of each month, at the home of Dan and Rita Blanchette in Concord, NH. Pizza is served at 6:30, meeting begins at 7 p.m. Call 603-226-0621 or knapsac@aol.com for directions and pizza reservation.

Sunday, April 18: Fox Forest, Hillsboro, NH: Trailwrights Annual Meeting. Meet at the Fox Forest headquarters. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. at the parking area off Center Road. We hope to sharpen and paint the tools until noon, break for our brown bag lunch. We will provide beverages. The traditional ice cream will be served before the annual meeting which includes election of officers and regular business. We will then discuss our workshops and summer events and conclude with a pot-luck dinner. Members and newcomers are always welcome. For directions or more information contact Ray Jackson 978-597-8813, rayjanejackson@aol.com or Bob Spoerl, 603-437-0541 or rspoerl@nhvt.net.

Fri. - Mon., May 28-31, and June 4 -7: Chatham, NH: Chatham Trails Work Weekends provide a great opportunity to learn skills working on trails, but also to make new friends, enjoy good meals, lodging and hot showers too. Our Trailwrights' member Mike Zlogar is the CTA Trails Chair and will provide you with project information, call 413-253-7522 or mzlogar@comcast.net. Sandy Finn, the Volunteer Registrar is also a Trailwright. She looks forward to hearing from you as to when you'll be arriving, especially if attending Friday supper and how long you'll be staying. Contact her at www.chathamtrails.org or sandycta@comcast.net. For those new to this adventure - working two days in the US Forest with CTA, you'll receive a one

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Ray's Ramblings

Greetings,

The spring of 2010 is looking like we may get out on the trails early. Some places have lost the snow and the treadways were somewhat dry. Let's hope the spring runoff will cause minimal erosion even with the rain lately.

Last year Trailwrights worked at Chatham Trails weekend and the Dan Doan Trail in May, on the MSGTC in Washington, NH and Dottie Bean's in Farmington, NH in June. In July at Mt. Monadnock State Park and at Artist Bluff on Bald Mountain, Franconia State Park. On August 3, we worked to clear tree damage on the Heald Tract in Wilton, NH. September brought us to a new opportunity in Franconia State Park - the Pemigewasset Trail up to Indian Head view.

This year Hal and Peggy Graham have scheduled three workshops so far: Dan Doan Trail, Artist Bluff, and the Pemigewasset Trail.

Later this year we may look into supporting the Fox Forest's Trails in Hillsboro, NH, where our annual meeting is being held.

In closing I would like us to remember an extraordinary man and trailblazer Terry Frost, who died January 25. His memory may dwell forever in the hearts of all of us in the trail community.

I hope to see all of you at the annual meeting on April 18 and certainly as many who are able on the trails throughout the spring and summer months.

Sincerely,

Raynold Jackson

President



Trailwrights members attending to erosion control, rock steps and trail hardening on the Pemigewasset trail at Franconia Notch State Park last summer.



**Bald Mountain
2009 New Hampshire Trails Day**

See Calendar for 2010 Workshop

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year membership in CTA and a free pass to park/hike at White Mountain pay sites.

Sat., June 5. Dan Doan Trail, Orford, NH: Continuing drainage and putting in erosion control structures and rock work. We will be meeting at the junction of Rt. 25A and Quinttown Rd. at 8:30. Call Hal Graham for directions after June 1. 603-286-3506.

Sat. June 26 - Artist Bluff, Franconia Notch: Basic maintenance on our only adopted trail. Call Hal Graham for more information. 603-286-3506, or email at halpeg76@metrocast.net

Sat. July 17 - NH Trails Day on the Mt. Pemigewasset Trail, Franconia Notch State Park: Continuing placing erosion control structures and possibly some rock work. Meet at 8:30 at the Flume Visitor's Center by the bike path trailhead.

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