

7/8/2016

What we did this spring:

Saturday, May 14, 2016, Work Report - Friedsam Town Forest A Trailwrights group of 8 worked on the Sargent Trail to make significant improvements on the eroded slope above the ravine bridge on this the first of a two-day project. Adjacent to the bridge 2 step stones with scree were placed followed by 7 rock steps up the slope. Just above on a particularly steep section another 6 rock steps were placed plus scree and brushing added. Just above that the trail slabbed right across the slope. To more clearly define the trail a log was pinned on the lower side with rock and pegs to hold it in position. Rocks and soil were then placed against the log and the treadway leveled. This created approximately 19 feet of new treadway. At the top were placed 4 rock steps with scree as the trail turned left. Farther along, another 30 feet of treadway was improved with roots covered by soil and a drain added. A total of 62 hours were put in for this a most productive day.





Chatham Trails weekend

The focus for Memorial Weekend was basic maintenance. The crews were able to get to most of our 40 miles of trails, completing drainage, blow downs and brushing.



Summer/Fall work schedule:

July 15-19 - Monadnock Trails week. Spend a whole week doing trailwork on Mt. Monadnock with the Society for the Protection of NH Forests (SPNHF) and Trailwrights and meet new friend and learn a skill. For more information, contact Ray Jackson: rayjtrails@gmail.com or 978-597-8813.

August 13 - Mt. Kinsman Trail. We are helping a White Mountain adopter on his trail that needs a lot of work, placing steps above water bars and above streams. For more information, please contact Bruce Richards: Bruce Richards 603-703-6566 bruce4trails@gmail.com

Pending projects:

Chapel Falls Reservation in western Massachusetts Please note, we have scheduled no work on NH State reservations due to a dispute with the State over insurance requirements for trail organizations. Please contact a Board Member if you would like more information about this sad state of affairs.

Breaking news: It looks like the way Josh filled in around my last message to all, that we should have the trip down to Chapel Falls sooner rather than later. I was thinking we could car pool, I could drive, 4 plus me, and if more want to go they can follow. The meeting place could be the R89 parking at R13 in Concord, NH, 8:00 AM on a Friday as Josh suggested:

Annual meeting:

July 22

July 29

Aug 5

It will take about two hours to get to Ashfield, MA. - R89;R202/9; R63 or to R91S to R2 W to 112. Meet up with Trustees Management and Staff, then discuss a plan and help while there if possible, eat on the way back to Concord, or not, then home. I will try to gather a consensus starting by Sunday or Monday July 10 & 11. For more information, please contact Ray Jackson.

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