

TRAILWRITES

MAKING TRAILS RIGHT

Schedule for 2019

JULY 2019

July 13. Mt. Pemigewasset trail, Franconia Notch. Meet at the Flume upper parking at 8:30 to continue reparations on this well used trail. For more information, call Ray Jackson or Bob Saari.

July 27. Mt. Pemigewasset Trail, Franconia Notch. Meet at the Flume upper parking at 8:30. Call Ray or Bob Saari for more information

September 7. Artist's Bluff, Franconia Notch. Meet at Echo Lake State Park parking at 8:30 to continue with rebuilding steps from the Bluff up. Contact Bob Spoerl for more information.

October 19. Artist's Bluff, Franconia Notch. Meet at the upper parking lot (Peabody Slopes) at 8:30 to clean waterbars and prepare the trail for winter. Call Bruce Richards for more information.

Go on our website at www.trailwrights.org or our Facebook page to see any updates



Took out and inventoried all tools



Naked trailer

Annual Meeting:

What a great place to have our annual meeting at Bear Brook State Park! We spent the morning trying to finish up the trailer, replacing the rotten wood, etc. It had spent a lot of time at Bear Brook, but had to be removed for the State workers. It ended up 1/2 painted for Miller State Park and Swasey Park, but came home to roost at the Grahams in Sanbornton where it was painted and Hal put on the side panels.



Taking it apart

Boscawen Elementary School

In cooperation with The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) Education Director, Dave Anderson, Trailwrights coordinated a workday to help the school teachers and staff maintain the school's Currie Trail. On Saturday morning at 8:30 AM, nine volunteers from Trailwrights and school teachers / staff met for introductions, tool safety, and goals for the workday. Based on the trail Survey completed earlier by Trailwrights members Hal and Peggy Graham, we discussed proper pruning / lopping, paint blazing of trees, use of signage on posts and erosion control /water bar construction.

At the trail head opening, we demonstrated and had participants prune a clear entry for the trail corridor and removal of branches well off the trail to preserve a natural view.

Retired school teacher and original trail planner and builder, Bruce Currie, provided a lot of information about the school property and surrounding areas.

Millie Pike, the 5th grade teacher who helped coordinate the event, took to the task of paint blazing of the trees with latex-water base paint. The new blazes were the recommended 2" x 6" Dollar bill size rectangle. Dark gray spray latex was used to cover those old blazes no longer required plus those on any rock surfaces.

Looking for the best place to build our first water bar (only one!) near the height of land, we constructed a 10" deep-15 ft. trench across the treadway. We removed all the rocks and

roots along the trench for water to flow and placed the rocks along and to the sides for scree and protection. after a brief trail lunch, we reached a "change in forest type" marked by SPNHF - Dave Anderson, Education Director. We continued removal of dead trees and other obstructions until the junction of the Vernal Pool side Trail. This trail was explored and cleared and next we visited the Lookout view Trail. There may be some cutting of trees for better viewing after determining ownership verification. Some clearing is needed in this gathering area and a couple of large downed trees removed. The next and last major area was the steep down hill traverse. the pruning was completed and some raking around rock surfaces to better define the treadway. More will be done to complete this task. Soon we returned to the "boulder" turn on the main trail. We encouraged the use of 4" x4" posts here for directional information, side trails and educational locations. Back at the trailer at 2:00 Pm, the school teachers provided all of us ice Popsicle treats. A nice way to end a great trail workday. Submitted by, Raynold Jackson



Miller State Park



Miller State Park



Boscawen Elem. School



Swasey Park, Meredith



Artist's Bluff



Swasey Park, Meredith

HELP WANTED:

President
Board Member too busy to do trail work? we need people to help plan events
Newsletter editor with graphics experience
Trailer puller willing to pull the tool trailer
You!

**Trailwrights 72 Summits club
 finishers: Tim Lucia, Stephen Duly**

**Welcome new members:
 Robin Plumley, Nashua
 Karl Gould, Laconia
 Jeffrey Nickless, Rowley, MA
 Bill White, Weare**

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

Find us on Facebook!



FOR SALE:

Bell & Howell automatic professional Slide projector used by Trailwrights for several years when we made presentations to other groups. If anyone is interested, or knows some way to sell this item, could you please notify a member of the Board.

TRAILWRIGHTS' STORE

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

***Special: sweatshirts \$10.00 each. Must go soon.**

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