Crozet Trails Crew

Monthly Meeting

Thursday, April 23rd, 2015 6:30-7:30 pm

La Joya, Crozet, VA

*Present: Jess, Dan, Debbie, Mike, Terri, David, Dick, Jan, Adrienne, Clover, Phil*

**Building:**

* Pitch in at the Park 4/25 - we will work on woods trail. Tree workshops first thing about how to spot damage; Another workshop at noon on how to prune trees. Will plant a donated tree from Waynesboro Nursery. Our work is 9:30 to noon, then lunch.
* How / when to build the small bridge down behind Crozet park where there are now only sticks? Not this workday. Once they clear for dog park, may have increased water flow. Construction of path around park ( not by us) is planned for early fall.
* Dan knows someone who will clear the dog park as a tool demonstration on Friday, May 1, 9-noon, and he needs an audience. They plan to hire the same company to clear whatever's left. He mulches on site.
* Lickinghole Basin reroute- pull out stumps, clear vegetation, smooth soil = May 16 workday
* Do we need to mow the connector trail? Will the County do this? Members have noticed that the trail has been mowed recently, maybe by Jimbo = Crozet park maintenance foreman. How does he get in there? Will he keep doing it?
* Still waiting on property btw Crozet Park & Westhall, trail from Shifflett field, Dan working on Cory Farm connection
* Creekside Trail – on hold for now
* Old Trail behind Henley: Dan met with contractor, who is obligated to build the trail. Someone has cleared a trail down to the Boy Scout Bridge.
* planned trail from Old Trail through Meadows property down to Crozet Ave
* Dan also negotiating trailhead parking = part of Comprehensive Plan, near Slabtown Branch. Need destination item such as a bench at the creek. County has rights to an 8 acre flood plain

**Planning:**

* Crozet Running 5k at Mint Springs May 9th 8 am - need volunteers for registration /packet pickup 6:30 am, trail guides, start/finish line 7:30 am. We will send out signup genius soon.
* Spring Crozet Arts and Crafts Festival May 9th and 10th, starts at 10 – need CTC volunteers to sign up to pouring beer and wine. Volunteers receive free admission into festival plus one free drink. Amanda Poulson is new festival director; this is her first one.
* MS Bike ride support booth-June 13-14 – we volunteer on Saturday, booth near Starr Hill, maybe across the street. Is SH going to send some staff? Shifts from 8 am till 6 (realistically, bikers finish earlier, eg 4:00), 2-4 hr shifts. Bike MS is supposed to provide a bike mechanic and tools at each stop. Jess passed out volunteer forms that we need to submit ahead of time.
* Need to scout out route for October’s 5k race. Will decide at next Wed’s planning meeting. Route probably same ame as 2 years ago. Need to shore up temporary bridge.

**Other:**

* Jess read an email describing the founding of CTC in 2010 with only 6 people. CTC is 5 years old this month!
* Thanks from Dean, who oversees trail work at Western Ridge, says our reroute is functioning well
* Byrom workday- May 2nd – we will forward email from Tucker
* Need bench along lake on Western Ridge side. If we design it & figure out cost, Phil will build. Dan likes the benches at Stonefield, maybe change our design. If someone goes there, take a picture. We will have to put in footings.

**Next workdays:**  - 4/25, 5/16

**Volunteer event sign ups:** May 9/10, June 13

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, May 28th, 6:30pm at La Joya.