Crozet Trails Crew
Monthly Meeting
Thursday, September 24, 2015
La Joya, Crozet, VA

**Present: Jessica, Nan, Bob, Phil, Steve, Teri, Nikki, Janet, Mike F, Mike P, Clover, Bevin**

1. **Building**
2. Bridge at Crozet Park
Dog park has been cleared and mulch laid. Trail will follow the edge of it. Won't affect race route. Four concrete uprights have been installed. We are waiting for rain to see how the drainage flows before deciding whether our bridge there needs to be rebuilt (p.s. we got it this weekend 9/27-28!). This or another bridge will be named after the 5k winners.
3. What trails do we want to work on this fall?
Next big project = clearing county-owned field end of the Henley Hornets trail in Beaver Creek park. From the dam around south side, we want to create access to a public property bigger than Crozet Park. Access is currently blocked by a swampy area as well as jutting land. We will need approval from the Army Corps of Engineers, and a survey. Price tag? What will it cost? What can we get donated? First step = meet there on a dry day and scope it out, measure, look at property lines. Could also visit by canoe or kayak. We need a concrete proposal /plan before we can effectively look for sponsors/donors.
4. Clearing trail for 5k
Trail is in good shape. Mike has mowed from Western Ridge, through the Coble property to the Park. Only place he didn't do is wooded section. There is an 18” drop off in Westlake at end of road.
5. We will reschedule our next workday from Sept 26 to Oct 2 due to rain prediction (good call!). That may be our last mowing and trail pruning, needed at stovepipe near Westhall. Someone will also organize a midweek workday. Too much trouble to reroute trail; the trail is packed beside puddle. This is a trail run so people really don't care. Fence is secured to a trash tree. Three options: 1. Bring in soil/gravel mixture and fill in puddle. 2. Cut fence and let trail go around red maple, put fence back after 5k. 3. Move fence and cut down tree (requires approval). Jimbo says county will do it. Chose option 2.

**II. 5K Planning**

1. Jess has rerouted the registration URL to the updated web address. She also created a FB event & paid $80 to have it promoted. All should go to FB page and say they are attending.
2. please sign up to help on signup genius so we can see what is still needed. Phil & Bob will be race experts. Teri & Nikki doing parking. Clover doing fruit/water table & pouring Gatorade into cups. Next week will send email about what we still need. All 5K volunteers should attend the final planning meeting Thursday evening 6:00 pm.

C. John wants registration to include a Mayor, directing people to packet pickup or registration, where it will be entered into computer. Need 3 people Friday night, 5 on Sat. morning get people down to field as fast as possible. Bevin was elected Mayor ☺. Phil is setting up finish line.

D. Clover will send email re Oct. 3 workday + 5K volunteers still needed in subject line. Final number for tee shirts needed by October 3. Jess will order extras, including for high school student helpers.

E. Need tables, tents, and coolers. Drop off stuff Friday night or Sat morning7-7:30 am.
F. John Anderson will provide Crozet Running bags.
G. Mike Fox is handling kids run & prizes (thank you!).

**III. Other**

1. Do we want to be next year’s Old Trail Lodge culinary competition beneficiary (JoAnn Perkins’ idea)? Event will be held next Sept. Not a lot of work. 5 or 6 of us could handle it. This could fund the Beaver Creek field development. Need to develop a plan. Phil will work with David Hillyard to create plan.
2. Trail from the Old Trail Lodge (Judy’s hope)– Not in CTC purview. There is already a trail from the lodge to the big bridge. A county bridge needed to take them across to Haden Lane, but it has almost no sidewalk, plus there is no crosswalk on Jarman’s Gap Rd. and its sidewalk is on the other side. We need the county to create a safe crossing before such a trail is feasible.
3. Sam Craig has rebuilt the bridge in Old Trail at Baywick Circle, so we can now work on the trail
4. There will be a Clann Mohr presentation 10/ 15. Tunnel update - 4 phases, 1 = eastern side, done but no public access yet. 2&3 = take out barriers inside tunnel, 4 = western side. 2-3 years to completion.
5. CAMBC (mtn biking club) trail building workshop Sat. 10/17. Must RSVP. Send to list.

**Next workday:**  - 10/3 Teri K will lead, Jess out of town. After 5K we will take a break ☺

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, Oct. 8th, 6:00 pm at Crozet Park.
Nov. 5 = combined Oct/Nov meeting