

September 2010 Volunteer Day Report

Prior to our Saturday volunteer day, Harry, Dwight & Aubrey cut massive blow down near Lynn Camp Mountain & did trail work between there & FS-222.

Jim finished prepping for sign installation @ Chatfield Shelter.

Jim & Steve, white blazed Southbound from Va- 615, 1.2 miles to the Appalachian Trail.

Greg did some TTEC public relations with a local school.

Friday evening, Walt & Charlene hosted the volunteers at the Stony Fork Campground Cabin for snacks, beverages and chatting.

Saturday morning we gathered at the Virginia Heights Restaurant for breakfast.

After eating,

1) Danny & Margaret went to Partnership & checked the trail South to Va- 601.

2) Harry & Greg went to poor valley and preformed various duties (Harry's report to follow).

3) Everyone else went to Settlers Museum & worked South cleaning & building water bars, lopping & general trail maintenance.

Saturday evening pot-luck @ Stony Fork wrapped up a fine day of trail volunteering.

A report of the Sunday hike to Grayson Highlands may follow from one of the hike leaders.

See pictures @:

<http://www.path-at.org/gallery/Path-Photos-2010?page=30>

---Volunteer Days---

Aubrey Arrington - 1

Harry Atkins - 2

Jack Bookman - 1

Betsy Bookman - 1

Jeff Brown - 1

Charlene Davis - 2

Walt Davis - 2

David Faucette - 1

 Son, Hayden Faucette - 1

 Friend, Kelly Watson - 1

Jim Houck - 4

David John - 1

Drew Jones - 1

Dwight Levi - 1

Ed Martin - 1

Andrew Mitchell - 1

Kim Mitchell - 1

 Grand kids, Jack Ouzts Ben Ouzts

Danny Shields - 1

Margaret Wainwright - 1

Greg Weaver - 5

Steve Yonts - 1

Who'd I miss ??

Jim Houck
Club President
Piedmont Appalachian Trail Hikers (PATH)

Harry's report.

Sep 17: Dwight, Aubrey, hla met at 222. Two large locust logs from cache cut into two links and large rock for first step trail north off 222 was set.

All blow downs (BD) (10-12) trail south were cut, including the complex BD on both side of the curve up Lynn Camp Mountain. Thus all BD from 222 to 42 are now cut.

Painted a double blaze followed by single blaze (after right turn) trail north from Lick Creek Bridge.

Cut up into fire wood sizes and in general cleaned up mess left by FS trail north of bridge, left side to open up the camping area.

Trail lopping and re-blazing was done as necessary.

Sep 18: Greg W. & hla set two locust log as steps and dug trench above top step to direct any water to road ditch (easterly) trail north 222. Further anchor two logs with large rocks.

Proceeded to first double log bridge 2/10 mile trail north of Lick Creek Bridge where the water had cut a new channel south of the log bridge. In May Scott & hla had fill the hole with large rocks (which are still in place) for a level path to cross the bridge. This time we had tools to remove the two big rotten logs causing the problem. We dam the new channel with logs etc and cut the old channel back. This is a fix that might last until Spring. In the Spring, we recommend cutting (chainsaw) the three large hemlocks we left across the stream above, as to height, the two removed rotten logs. A crew can then cut/dig the old channel, deeper and wider, for a better fix. Hla took Greg to BD mess to make sure it had not grown back. Picked chestnuts to roast on the fire. Collected bear dog for trip to 222 (again).

Dwight-1day (big well done)

Arbrey-1 day

Greg-1 day plus hike day

Harry-2 days with at total of 20 days YTD (since hla w/be gone at reporting date).

Jasper & Toroweeep, I'm going!

Harry