

2000 BSTRA Trail Report

BSTRA received a grant from the Department of Environmental Management's Greenways and Trails Demonstration Grant in the amount of \$5,000. This was used for cutting and brushing back on portions of the Southern New England Trunkline Trail in Uxbridge and Douglas MA.

BSTRA members working on the management plan for the Daniel's Farm in Blackstone MA to work on trails for horseback riding and possibly a trailer parking/staging area.

April 8, 2000 - Work Day at Upton State Forest.

BSTRA and New England Mountain Bike (NEMBA) members worked on brushing back and clearing winter blow downs on the trail system. A total of 52 hours were put in by all workers.

BSTRA makes \$2,000 donation towards purchase price of 8.5 acres. The Carlisle Conservation Foundation was doing a fund raiser in order to get this property added to the Great Brook Farm State Park in Carlisle, MA. This acquisition provided an important trail link from Pine Point Loop to and across Lowell Rd. to access the rest of the park. These trails are open to equestrians and the property has been purchased and protected with our help.

May 20, 2000 - Trail Work Day on the SNETT in Douglas MA.

We worked on cutting and brushing back the trail for a total of 48 hours volunteered for this job.

June 2000 - BSTRA and NEMBA members worked on clearing trails in Milford/Holliston area. This area was hit by a fire and a few trees were down blocking trails. It took them 7.5 hours to get the trees cleaned up.

June 25, 2000 - Work Day at Callahan State Park, Framingham, MA.

This work day involved cutting and brushing back trails. A total of 21 hours were put in on that day.

Aug. 2000 - BSTRA voted to donate \$100 towards the purchase of 15 acres to be added to the Fitzgerald Lake Conservation Area in Northampton MA. This property has been purchased and horseback riding is allowed in the Fitzgerald Lake Conservation Area.

Aug. 12, 2000 - Trail Work Day at West Hill Dam, Uxbridge MA.

We worked on installing 8 water bars and one rolling dip. Our work crew put in 24 hours of work.

Oct. 2000 - Work Day at Upton State Forest, Upton MA.

Due to some nasty weather this summer, quite a few trees were down. Work crew spent day cleaning up these trees for a total of 25 hours put in.

Total: There were 177.5 hours volunteered for trail work (\$1775) plus donations and grants gives us a **total of \$8,875 that was put towards trails in 2000.**