

Bay State Trail Riders Association Trails Report for 2010

We use the MA estimate for the value of non-skilled adult volunteer work of \$22.46. Some of these are organized trail work days; others are BSTRA members working on trails in their area.

April 3rd: West Hill Dam Uxbridge MA.

Our annual trail maintenance work consisted of some light cutting and brushing the trails back. And to keep water off of the trails, we cleaned out the water bars. Nineteen volunteers put in a total of 46 hours for a value of \$1,033.16



Bay State Trail Riders Association (BSTRA) received a \$3,000 grant from the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor to repair the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) between Chocolog Road and West Street in Uxbridge.

Working with the Department of Conservation and Recreation (owners of the SNETT) we received permission to restore the 1.8 miles in that section.

This section of the trail was in bad shape. Very deep moguls made for an uneven surface; some washouts and a sinkhole were issues we wanted to mitigate.

We held two work days this summer to (April 24th & July 31st) cut and brush back this section so equipment could work to restore the trail. This involved a total of 90 hours of volunteer work.

In November, hired heavy equipment worked there a week to complete the restoration.

BSTRA paid \$6,500 towards the work, the Corridor grant paid \$3,000 and our volunteer labor (worth \$22.46 per MA volunteer rates) for 90 hours had a value of \$2,021.40. This gave us a grand total of \$11,521.40 to restore 1.8 miles of the SNETT in Uxbridge.



March 20 & 21: Trail clearing Douglas State Forest for a total of 10 hours valued at \$224.60

March 27: Fred Weston Town Forest Middleboro MA

Continued work on clearing up trails after logging job. A total of 14 hours valued at \$314.44

April 10th: Wompatuck State Park Hingham MA

General work on trails for a total of 6 hours valued at \$134.76

May 22nd: Myles Standish State Forest Carver MA

Brushed back and trimmed trails for a total of 11 hours valued at \$247.06

April 24th: Park Serve Day Upton MA

Raking and trimming back CCC way and clean up around headquarter buildings. A total of 29.5 hours volunteered for a value of \$662.57. BSTRA paid for lunch for the workers and that was \$81.84.

April through October: Dorothy Frances Rice Wildlife Area Peru MA

Mowing, trail clearing, chain saw work, brush hog work, replaced signage and installed some new benches for a total of 198.5 hours valued at \$4,458.31

Spring & Summer of 2010: Myles Standish State Forest Carver MA

174 hours of brushing & cutting back trails and working on erosion control. A Dingo machine was rented to work on approximately 5.25 miles of trails. This machine leveled out the moguls or whoop-de-dos. A total of 60 hours was spent running this machine. This gives us a value of \$5,255.64 for volunteered labor and \$360 donated for cost of machine rental.

Aug. 31st : Southern New England Trunkline Trail Franklin MA
BSTRA paid \$330 for concrete that was used to install gates on Spring Street.



Summer 2010: Eagle Scout Bridge Project Upton MA

BSTRA voted to fund the whole project as this was a win - win situation for both of us. We pay for materials, he builds it and we then have a bridge useable for horseback riders. Bridge materials price that we donated was \$1,746.46. Eagle Scout Jeff Gruber has well over 400 hours into this project. We also have 19 hours donated on this project by BSTRA members for a value of \$426.74

GRAND TOTALS

658 hours of volunteer labor	\$14,778.68
Grants received	\$3,000.00
Cash spent	<u>\$9,018.30</u>
Total put into Trails for 2010	<u>\$26,796.98</u>