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50 Years**

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50 Years - Pieces from the Past

I found this article that really showcases the start of BSTRA and what we do.

Quoted from George Cardinet
(Heritage Trails Fund)

This is the most unique example of a coordinated group effort we've heard of to date!

Through the group efforts of riders, hikers, bikers, motorcycle riders, and snowmobilers, two states are tied together with a 60 mile corridor on an abandoned railroad right of way.

They call themselves the "Southern New England Trunkline Trail". Under the leadership of Ed Whalley, Executive Director of the Bay State Trail Riders, Incorporated they have accomplished what many would say is impossible.

The story follows:

The Emergence of the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (NRT)

A Case Study by Ed Whalley

The story of the Southern New England Trunkline Trail is impossible to separate from that of Bay State Trail Riders.

The reason is that Bay State was organized to do something about the worsening trail situation in Massachusetts. The Association is a horsemen's group, and there were



"In 1974 the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission contacted me to re-enact the delivery of the Suffolk Resolves from Milford Massachusetts to Carpenter's Hall in Philadelphia, a ride made by Paul Revere down the inner Post Road in 1774. Through the cooperation of the horsemen of five states this was accomplished with relay riders. One of the area coordinators was Ed Whalley of Bellingham, Massachusetts." Said HTF's Cardinet.

a number of horse-related events which contributed both to its formation and the development of its trail goals. These included: the Cross-State Trail Ride of 1970; The Suffolk Resolve Reenactment of 1974; and, the Bicentennial Wagon Train of 1976. Each of these projects required lengthy trail routes. Bay State was an outgrowth of the first Cross-State and a major participant in the Resolves and the Wagon Train.

These activities forced a focus on long trails and provided some impetus for organizational development. Another factor was the Outdoor Rec hearings of 1972 for which the writer produced and submitted

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a piece of documented input that received wide currency in the horsey press. All of the above served to convince horse people of the critical condition of off-highway travel and the need to organize to save what was left. The rallying cry became, “*Aren’t you tired of riding in circles?*”

By the time Bay State received its charter in 1973, we had about 300 family memberships in Norfolk Co. It was only natural that our first project in acquisition should be designed to serve this area (a trail system embracing 5 towns). We thought we’d done pretty well with the launching, but we spent a good part of the next ten years trying to keep the project afloat. The proposed system involved three railbeds one of which was ultimately incorporated into the Trunkline Trail.

We attended a lot of meetings, produced a lot of paper, and learned a little something about railroads. But the main thing we learned was that it is physically impossible to get town-level politicians to act with their opposite numbers in other towns on a project in which each group has to get its own ball rolling locally. So we decided to expand the project and kick it upstairs. We thought that we might be able to attract bigger fish, politically, those with a regional interest.

By 1974, we were regularly riding west on the old New York, New Haven & Hartford (Penn Central, by this time) roadbed to the Connecticut line and beyond. We had established campsites in Douglas and scouted-out routes around all the downed bridges.

We were, in fact, running three day “hoss tours” utilizing campsites in both Douglas and Uxbridge. Typically, we’d set out from Bellingham or Blackstone, camp at one of the sites, run a day tour either down into Connecticut or Rhode Island returning to the site, then march back to the starting point on the third day. By the time of the Suffolk Resolves Ride of that year, it was an easy matter for us not only to provide a route from Medfield west to Sturbridge but also a string of relay riders who knew every step of the way. And when the Wagon Train came along in 1976, we turned out an escort of 50 riders and two wagons. We utilized as much of the RR grade as possible and began to promote “*The*

Suffolk Resolves Trail” as a regional project. Specifically, we re-emphasized the Air Lin bed and tried to lay claim to the Penn Central as far west as the state line. We began meetings with town officials from the junction of the two lines westward and continued to barrage the other towns with paper. And we went after DEM and state-level politicians. We were instrumental in getting a small appropriation passed to start buying the Penn Central, but mostly we kept the Association on record and the project alive. (the DEM held onto the money—about \$50,000).

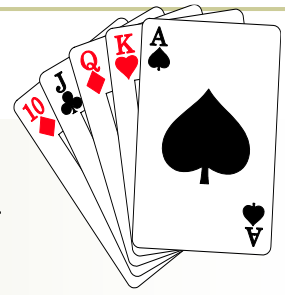
However, there was another outcome to the nationally recognized rides of this period, the Resolves and the Wagon Train. It was this: we learned that “our” railroad was the same line that ran down to Willimantic, Connecticut, and was already *state-owned* from Willimantic to Putnam. The implications of this to those of us who were riding that far west were tremendous. If we could get the cooperation of the Connecticut horsemen we had the makings of one hell of an interesting project. Maybe it was time to kick the thing upstairs again.

The opportunity to do so came during the HCRS hearings on trails of 1979-80. Because Bay State was on record, we were invited to attend a preliminary meeting at the DEM and to take part in a regional meeting at the Blue Hills. We had prior knowledge of the provisions of the National Trails System Act through our memberships in the American Horse Council and the National Trails Council, and we had established some contact with other groups which we considered to be activists. Neither meeting was productive—in the sense of getting anything done. The main thing wrong with the general meeting was the choice of moderator. The HCRS brought in a retired lady bureaucrat from the Washington area who set about to systematically rediscover the wheel and who adamantly refused to consider anything anyone brought up which was germane to the regional condition. We all, individually, had to go over the same ground which she laid out in the beginning. The other thing wrong with the meeting was that almost all the attendees were public employees. They were interested in funding for the projects they were working on and little else. We went through a full day of this and broke

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Bay State Trail Riders
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Poker Run June 25th Mendon, MA



We are all about trails!

Here is your chance to give Lady Luck a try on a trail ride. Playing cards are in sealed envelopes and numbered. Your #1 card is the first card you get when you sign in. Numbers 2-4 you pick up on the trail, and #5 you get at turn in. You will be disqualified if you have a duplicate envelope number or not enough cards (as this means you went off course). All envelopes must be turned in unopened. Ribbons will be awarded to those that have winning hands with a prize going to the best hand of the day.

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Pre-registration must be received by July 20th to receive meal

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For more information contact
Becky at 508-476-3960 or bstra@charter.net

Make check payable to BSTRA and mail with this form to: Becky Kalagher, 24 Glenn St., Douglas MA, 01516

Entry Information Poker Run	Rider #1	Rider #2
Rider's Name		
Horse's Name		
Rider's Year of Birth		
Street Address		
Town, State, Zip		
BSTRA member Yes or No		
Phone Number		
E-Mail Address		
Coggins # and date (has to be within a year)		

May 6th Trail Work Day in Oxford sponsored by J.F. Cove Insurance Agency

How cool is it to exceed your plans? Pretty cool indeed. That is what happened at Hodges Village Dam for our trail work day. The original plan was to break out into two groups and tackle two sections at the end of Rocky Hill Road.

One group tackled the trails parallel to the dike called Easier Way Up the Hill and Kestrel Hill. Not only did they get that done, they also did the East Side-South as they headed back to our starting point doing a total of .8 of a mile of trail work.

Second group tackled an un-named trail, the first right after the end of Rocky Hill Road that went up the pipeline and came out onto Trail #1. We hooked a right on Trail #1 and worked on that until we got to the Midstate Trail/East Side -North down to the Midstate Trail HDV link back to where we started. That group also did .8 of a mile of trail work.

Not a bad mornings work for 18 people. We easily did twice as much as what we had planned on! A huge thanks to the following: Gloria Duhaime, Cheryl Fitzpatrick, Angie & Bill Knott, Becky Kalagher, Neil & Shirley Standring, Jane & Phil Rutledge, Ed



Nobrega, Celeste Nobrega, Jesse Samdahl, Barbara McCumber, Melissa Beagle, Kirsten Hodges, Kerry & Teagan Manchester, and Deb Deschenes. All totaled we put in 57 hours worth \$2,073.66 plus lunch at \$227.92. These are our trail hero's - thank them when you see them. **BK**



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July 2023

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Get into left lane for left turn at next light. At fork, bear left onto Ives Road.

Watch for left turn into entrance for Equestrian Center.

Please make checks payable to BSTRA and mail to Rose Zariczny, 216 Grand St., Woonsocket, RI 02895

Entry Information Goddard Ride	Rider #1	Rider #2
Rider's Name		
Horse's Name		
Rider's Year of Birth		
Street Address		
Town, State, Zip		
BSTRA member Yes or No		
Optional Trails Donation		
Phone Number		
E-Mail Address		
Coggins # and date (within 1 year)		

Livelark Acres Ride & Play sponsored by Kiefer Trailers

With a later ride start time, that gave us plenty of time for it to dry out a bit since it poured buckets the day before the ride. Yes, we did get lucky!

With yeoman's work from Valerie & Dave Clark getting an assist from Chris DiMasi & Becky Kalagher, we reclaimed some old trails that Valerie remembers riding on when she was a youngster. With a bit of creative looping we had 6 miles and stayed out of the "Turkey Feather Lot" that still has some wet/mud areas. Though with all the rain we had a section of water trail on part of the old Thompson Raceway course. But since we all have great trail horses, that was not an issue!

After the ride Carolyn Weeks with an assist from Annamaria Paul set up an area to play three games. We had 8 adventurous souls that played. The first game was the Ribbon Class, second game was the Water Glass Class, and the last game was Simon Says. You would had to have been there to really appreciate the laughs and antics of the participants.

The Ribbon Class: 1st Karen Parlin & Becky Kalagher, 2nd Crysanda Aloia & Lida Roman, 3rd Kathy Rich and Deb Foley (Kathy's horse Copper really didn't care for Deb's mule Jewel, that was fun to watch with a pair class)

The Water Glass Class: 1st Kerianne Foley, 2nd Chris DiMasi, 3rd Karen Parlin

The Simon Says Class: 1st Chris DiMasi, 2nd Kerianne Foley, 3rd Kathy Rich



So one way or another all eight riders placed!

As always, none of this would have been possible with out the following volunteers: Carolyn Weeks, Annamaria Paul, Rose Zariczny, Kerianne Foley, Deb Foley, Deb Deschenes, Scott Ruskin, Linda Horanzy, and Valerie & Dave Clark. **BK**



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BSTRA Bits & Pieces

Ware River Watershed Public Access Plan

Ware River Watershed Advisory Committee meeting 5/18/2023 regarding proposed access changes the Coldbrook Springs area.

When posting the agenda, WRWAC stated "Unfortunately the plan update will be less definitive than originally hoped". The reality is there hasn't been any update to the plan.

The newly appointed Commissioner of DCR is Brian Arrigo, former Mayor of Revere. He didn't assume the position until 4/24, which left little time before this meeting.

According to DCR representative, John Scannell, the Commissioner has been brought up to speed and would like to visit the area. It was suggested that the visit take place when there is a meeting of the WRWAC.

DEP, also involved in the Proposed Access Plan, has a new Commissioner just appointed in March as well.

While DEP representatives attended the February meeting, there was no representation at this meeting.

The good news is that at this time access remains status quo.

Individual Camping Will Be Allowed at LeGrand Reynolds Horseman's Area at Arcadia

Thanks to the efforts of all of you who have sent in feedback to the Rhode Island Division of Environmental Management (DEM) and/or attended the March 24th meeting at DEM headquarters in Providence. Our voices have been heard.

When the systems are in place, individuals will be allowed to camp at LeGrand Reynolds Horseman's Area (LGHA) by making reservations via Reserve America. There are also some additional things to do behind the scenes including further cleanup, brushing back and numbering of the sites so they will be easily mapped for the online reservation system. Groups will still require special use permits.

Individuals from the Rhode Island Federation of Riding clubs (RI Fed) and members of the member riding clubs (including: Bay State Trail Riders, West Greenwich Horseman Association, Moswansicut Riding and Driving Club, Cross State, Ladies And Gents, and Tri-State)

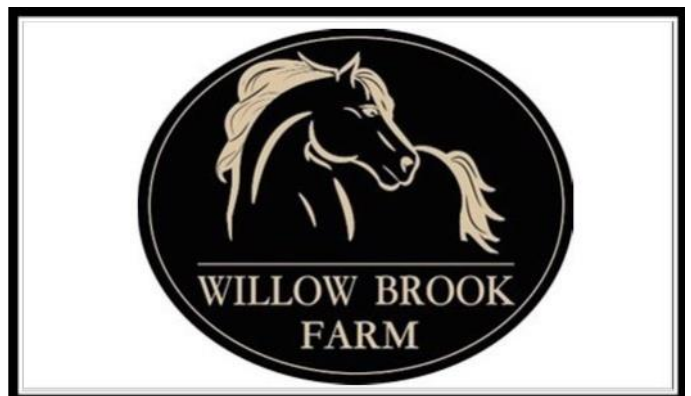
have been working hard on maintaining the RI state regulations that allow LGHA to operate as a horse camping area. RI Fed is also looking to finalize a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the camp.

At a meeting held this past Thursday, Tee Jay Boudreau (DEM) provided an update on the relevant regulations, the MOU and work needed to get the system in place to continue individual camping. We were able to ask questions and develop plans for continued partnership with DEM. Attending on Behalf of BSTRA were: Becky Kalagher, Rose and Bill Zariczny, Jane and Phil Rutledge, and Diane Sullivan Gryncewicz.

BSTRA had been well represented at a work day at LGHA on April 8th. Many thanks to Becky, Rose, Phil, Jane, Diane as well as Ed Nobrega for pitching in!

News from Connecticut

Several projects in Northeast Connecticut will benefit from a \$9 million pot of funding announced by Governor Ned Lamont to plan, build, expand and improve a total of 50 recreational trails throughout the state. Funding includes \$457,500 to the town of Thompson to go towards construction and amenities to the trail head park for the Air Line Trail. Funding of \$175,000 to the town of Putnam for the Air Line Trail connection and improvements project for planning & design, construction, maintenance, publications and outreach. And \$24,000 to the Wyndham Land Trust for parking at Bull Hill Preserve, specifically for planning, design, construction and outreach. (BSTRA wrote a support letter for this project as it includes parking for a couple of trailers).



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for supper.

At the evening session, I took the bull by the horns and spoke up for a resolution putting the meeting on record as recommending the acquisition of the Massachusetts segment of the Penn Central and the creation of a National Recreation Trail from Willimantic to Franklin. I pointed out that the project was free of all the attendant difficulties which had been cited ad nauseum all day long, and I was staunchly supported by Dave Fischer of the Mass. DEM who called it the "only concrete proposal to come out of the meeting." Not surprisingly, the bulk of the attendees sat on their hands and remained silent. I stuck it out a little longer in the hope that someone would come up with something worthwhile; but it wasn't to be. I decided to go home and hit the hay; but not before I said goodnight to the retired bureaucrat and let her know that, as far as southern New England was concerned, the real trails interests were ten years ahead of her.

The thing about being an Executive Director is that you are either going to meetings, writing reports, or putting out bulletins all the time. By the time of my next Board meeting, I had a pretty mad bunch of directors who'd digested the results of the meetings pretty thoroughly and were ready to take some kind of action. We'd got no-where at the official meeting, so we decided to call one of our own. The result was the first Southern New England Trails Conference which was held in Uxbridge in March of 1980. This was the turning point for us.

The Conference was an unqualified success. We spent enough on advertising to insure getting out the grassroots user groups. Every major horse outfit in Mass., Conn., and R.I. had representative present. Trail bikers, hikers and representatives of other interests were also present. The R.I. and Mass. DEM's were represented. HCRS sent a representative from Philadelphia, and the American Horse Council sent Mike Nolan up from Washington, D.C. The house was packed. The upshot of the meeting was the formation of the Southern New England Trails Conference for the immediate purpose of gaining NRT

(National Recreation Trail) status for the Penn Central Corridor and the long range goal of establishing a triangular trail connecting the tri-state region. Prof. Bob Church of the University of Conn., Dave Sanderson of the New England Trail Riders (motorbikes), and myself (Bay State) became a steering committee to see the first project through. I kicked things off by immediately initiating the first state (recommendation) of the three-stage process (recommendation/application, designation) on my own as the Exec. Dir. of Bay State. We gained the Designation in 1981, and the Trunkline was dedicated in April of 1982. Church, Sanderson and I won commendations from Sec. Watt for our work on the project.

The rest of the story involves the successful purchase of the Mass. Segment of the old RR and the discovery that Conn. DOT had already bought the Putnam to Douglas segment and that it was available for trail use. One of the first acts of the reconstituted statewide TAC (trails advisory committee) in Mass. Was to recommend the purchase. As usual some of the local opportunists sought to stymie the project. And we took measures to counteract them. For all practical purposes, when the Penn Central accepted the DEM's offer, the entire Franklin to Willimantic corridor was 100% in the public domain.

What remains is mere detail, important but not paramount. Bay State and the Conference are gearing up to do what has to be done. We still have the Triangle to complete.



Mass Parks For All

On May 11th Ed Nobrega, Mary Wood and myself attended a soiree in Newton MA for the introduction of the Mass Parks for All (MPA) as a statewide non-partisan, non-profit 501(C)(3) charitable organization with a 21st-century vision for our public lands. This project is the outgrowth of the Mass Conservation Voters and the work that they have been doing in fighting for our state forest and parks.

They presented their three goals. **Renew:** A state park system facing a one billion deferred maintenance backlog is ill-equipped to serve the Commonwealth's citizens. We can close the gap with a unified vision for returning our state parks to a state of functionality. **Expand:** Gateway cities and Environmental Justice communities have not had that state support necessary to expand public parks. An inventory of open spaces can identify areas that are lacking and help build capacity to reclaim public access. **Connect:** To unlock the benefits of public parks and open space, they need to be accessible. All state parks must be connected via a safe and reliable network of pedestrian and bicycle pathways, and public transportation.

For myself this was a bit of a challenge, socializing with a whole group of people that I don't know. Mary was in her element, she is very good at this type of thing., who knew she knew so much about Olmstead! That was what her and Mike Ryan were chatting about when we arrived.



My main goal was to introduce myself and BSTRA to the new DCR Commissioner Brian Arrigo. After patiently waiting in line and watching someone cut in from the side, we finally had our chance. I explained what BSTRA does and who we are with some great support from Ed and Mary. I gave him one of our business cards and I have to say I was pleasantly surprised to get an email from him the next day.

Ed must have a super memory and great computer skills. He remembered two of the people that we were talking to, tracked down their contact information and touched base with them after the event saying how nice it was to meet them. Now, that is networking!

Please check out Mass Parks for All at www.massparksforall.org They are worthy of our support as they are fighting for our state forest and parks at the state level. Become part of that unified voice! **BK**



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Tickets are 10 for \$10 and 25 for \$20.

If your name is drawn and you win something we can mail it to you if it is something like a gift certificate. For all other items please make arrangements to pick it up when you are notified.

This is the current list of items for the table. There will be more by the day of the event.

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- Hope Botanicals 1.5 lbs CBD Pellets for horses \$90
- Hope Botanicals CBD for people 1 oz. \$70
- ParaScreen Fecal Test Kit \$21.95
- A Stitch n' Good Time homemade quilt by Kathy Rich \$400
- Original Betsey MacDonald Print - \$40 value
- The English Saddler -Gift Certificate for One Free Saddle Fitting—\$185 value
- The Saddle Shed Gift Certificate \$50
- Bass Pro Gift Certificate \$50
- 100X Four 1/2 Gallons Gut-X \$74.84 value each
- 100X Osteo-Max - \$174 value
- 100X Gallon Gut-X—\$112
- Pyranha set of 5 assorted products - \$26 value
- Sara Richards Merlot Print - \$40 value
- Westend Creamery Mini Golf Pass & Tony's Piza \$32
- Zone Protects Insect Repellant—\$42.75
- Bridle Path Tack 3 BugPellents with refill - \$22 value each
- Boston Lawnmower Stihl BGE 61 Electric Blower \$139.99
- New England Coffee Barista Basket - \$54.99 value
- Omega Horseshine - \$29.70 value
- Pictorial Tale Photo Shoot by Bethani Chadbourne - \$850 value
- Smart Earth Camelina Oil 3.5 gals. - \$199 value
- Tory Leather Halter - \$101.49 value
- Riding Warehouse Gift Card \$25
- Klem's Gift Card \$50
- Kerrits Brush Bag - \$59 value
- Forever Fork - 49.95 value
- Dover Saddlery Gift Certificate \$150
- Davis Plastics 4 sets bell boots (\$21.95 each) 2 sets splints boots (\$30.45 each)
- One Blue Bird house, Three Wren/Chickadee Bird houses - \$15 value each
- Cheshire Horse Gift Card \$50
- Cashel Co. Hay Bag - \$39.95 value
- Cashel Co. Saddle Bag - \$65 value
- Bayside Resort 2-night Getaway Gift Certificate—\$175 value
- 3 Gift Bags (\$35, \$101.93) - Avon by Karen Parlin
- Jolly Ball - \$30.99 value

DCR Stewardship Council Finance Committee Listening Session

On May 25th I attended the Zoom meeting held by the DCR Stewardship Council Finance Committee meeting listening session. They wanted input from the users of our state forest and parks on what we would like to see budget money go towards for improvements.

We had 34 attendees, most of whom gave straight for-

ward input. Can't say the same for a host of others who went on about other issues not at all related to what this meeting was for. All I can say was, that this was not the place for that.

My input was to see monies go towards on the ground staffing, land acquisition (with protecting trail connections between protected parcels) and having dedicated trail maintenance crews in each region. Now for our wishes to come true! **BK**



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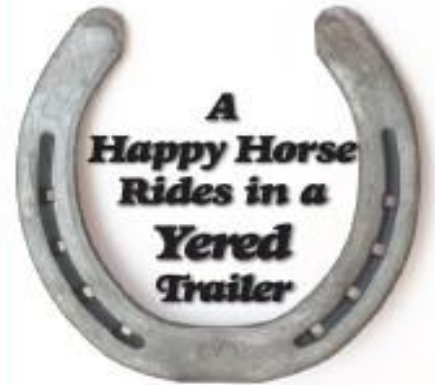


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