

June 2023 Board/Membership Meeting Notes

In Attendance: Aaron G., Mandy G., Zach B., Brad M., Andy N., Scott S., Drew H.

The Tangled Wood, 6/5/2023 @ 5:30pm

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer not present to present formal report.
- No large expenses/income expected in next couple months.

Sylvan Shelter Project Update

- Moline not approving foundation design of shelter which is preventing it from being erected.
- Aaron and Ray working on a solution.
- Drew suggested locating the shelter elsewhere if approvals are not granted.

Upcoming Events

- IA Scholastic race on 7/8 @ 9:30am.
 - o FORC will assist, if necessary, with event equipment/volunteers.
 - o Will bring trailer for supplies
 - o Mandy suggested group night ride after this event.
- Group Rides:
 - o Illiniwek 6/8 @ 5:30pm
 - o Westbrook 6/15 @ 6:00pm
 - o Stephens Park 6/29
- FORC Time Trial Schedule
 - o Sunderbruch: 6/22
 - o Illiniwek: 7/20
 - o Dorrance: 8/24
 - o Sylvan: 9/21

Future Events

- "ScoCo 100" - Scott County Park Endurance Race
 - o Discussion about hosting an endurance MTB race in 2024.
 - o Looking at dates around mid/late June (longest day of year)
 - o Large purse to attract racers from other regions. >\$2k
 - o Le Mans style start
 - o RC airfield would be ideal location for venue HQ
 - o Possible issues getting approval from park for event.

Sunderbruch Signage Update Project

- Key donors suggested signage update at SBP and installing "you are here" maps at key intersections to aid navigation.

- Brad and Glen will head the production/install of six (6) of these signs. Drew will design maps and forward to Andy, Brad, & Glen for review.
- Drew suggests maps no larger than 12" wide with sturdy backer material to help prevent vandalism. Multiple 4x4 posts may be needed to mount single map securely if made larger.
- Trail intersections need to have unique labels to simplify "you are here" maps and aid navigation. We will need to install corresponding intersection labels at physical locations on trails. One standard map can be used with a sticker/label this way to show a user's location in the trail network.

FORC Trailer Decals

- We will approach Dustin (DCI Print) for this project since he does this for other vehicles/clients.
- List of criteria for decal design will be created and submitted to him.

Merchandise Discussion

- Megan asked if we should get more merch for upcoming events. No large events for a few months.

Trail Reports

- SCP: Brad reports trails are in good shape. Also having ~20 directional signs made to help navigate trails. Will be installed shortly.
- SBP: Trimming in progress. Nearly finished. Andy has been doing outreach to local trail runners about helping maintain trails. Also trying new incentive-based promotion for trail trimming in conjunction with Crawford Brewery.
- GPP: Some trees down. Anonymous mower continues to mow prairie sections of trails. We're OK with this.
- IFP: About 50% trimmed. Expect to finish in about a week. Wood berm reconstruction: issues with bending kiln dried wood; too prone to splitting/breaking. Drew thinks they used non-kiln dried wood when first built. Investigating using expanded metal decking instead of bending wood for structure longevity.
- DFP: About 35% trimmed. Expect to finish in about a week.
- SBP: Badly in need of trimming.

Monthly Club Trailday

- The club trailday will be held at Westbrook on Sunday 6/11 @ 9:00am to trim vegetation. –
- Extra trimmers will be on hand.
- Reports from multiple trail users suggest it is very overgrown.

Next board/membership meeting will be held on Monday August 7th 2023.

Meeting adjourned: 7:45pm