

June Membership Meeting | 6/4/18 | 6:37pm | Van's on Brady

In Attendance: 28

May meeting minutes approved.

Treasurers Report

- \$18,100 in the black.

Equipment Purchase

- Stewards looking to get a few new pieces of maintenance equipment.
- Power scythes are proving much more productive at trimming trails than string trimmers. Also no poison ivy spray.

Ride the River June 17th (Father's Day) 8-2pm

- FORC is participating at Sylvan Island. Handing out stickers, raising awareness of local MTB trails, simple skills course for participants to practice on.
- Need +6 volunteers to help. 2-3 people for each 2hr shift; from 8am-2pm. Contact Mandy if you can help.

Abermination Recap:

- Andy is still getting the financials sorted.
- 177 racers in total
- No serious injuries or big issues.
- Big thanks to everyone who volunteered and came out for the race!

Trail Reports

- *Westbrook*: Trails are in process of being weeded. Dave and crew making improvements to a few berms to improve flow.
- *Sunderbruch*: Trails are in good shape. Most of green loop has been weeded as well as Blue Mound. LT still needs to be done. Crew working to finish trimming over the next week.
- *Scott Count Park*: A few large trees down. Good otherwise.
- *Illiniwek*: Trails in good shape. Weeds aren't terrible yet but will need trimmed soon.
- *Dorrance*: Big trail day on Sat 6/2 for National Trails Day: 17 people attended, 45 volunteer hours logged, 1100 feet of trail built on black loop (lots of benching). Started trimming blue loop and will get the rest in coming week.
- *Sylvan*: Starting to get overgrown and will get some attention this weekend (6/10)
- *Stephens*: No report
- *Prairie Park*: Weeds are bad. Trimming will start soon.

Ray Nees steps down; Mike Riley steps up as new Sylvan Island Trail Steward

Club Trail Days

- Drew wants to get club trail days going again like in the past. Has proven to be a good way to get new people involved in maintaining trails.

- Will happen on Sundays after the meeting with location to be determined at that month's meeting.
- Will start this month at Sylvan Island by clearing overgrown trails.

12 Hour Endurance Race at Scott County Park – Sept. 22

- Happening with/without FORC involvement.
- Low key event. One 12 hr category. No age groups. WIMS rules in effect on finish lap.
- 150 participant cap.
- Does FORC want to be involved?

Club Time Trials

- Paul will organize on weeknights at different parks.
- Stay tuned to forum for announcements.
- First will probably be at Westbrook Park.

Group Rides

- Vonda leading group ride effort again this year with help from others as needed.
- Will post a schedule of group rides soon. Sylvan will be backup plan if other trails are closed.
- Sunderbruch cookout, Jumpline Jam, and social event planning also in the works.

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- Need to see if Karl Dimmer is interested again this year to lead.
- Need to pick a date before the time change.
- Ending at Dorrance would get 100 mi with Sylvan is included.
- Reach out to URICRA about having concession stand open at Dorrance for post ride food?

MTB-101

- There is interest for another skills clinic just need someone to help organize it.
- May reach out to Fred/Amy to see if they would be available. Have done a great job in the past.

FORC receives Certificate of Appreciation from Bi-State Regional Commission's Riverfront Council for work done bringing Sylvan Island trails back to life!

- Thanks again volunteers who made this happen!

Scott Community College Trails

- Staff of Healthy Habits has built a couple miles of trails at Scott Community College.
- They reached out to us asking if we would host trail status on our trail app.
- Will separate SCC trails from FORC maintained trails on trail app so trail related questions can be directed to Healthy Habits.

QC Trail & Ultra Runners Donate to FORC

- Josh Sun and Ryan from QC Trail & Ultra Runners presented FORC with a check for \$600 raised at the Sunderbruch B&B Trail Races for trail improvements and maintenance. They also presented a check for \$100 from John DeDoncker for the same purpose. Thanks to all!

4 new(er) members in attendance tonight. Welcome!

Marquette Dog Park Trails

- Dan Hankner approached us about adopting existing trails in wooded area at Marquette Dog Park in Davenport. Dan and others have been using them for many years.
- Recent pushback from neighbor and feature in local media has put an end to use of these trails and removal of a large bridge.
- May be some room for more trail. Estimated at less than 2 miles currently.
- More discussion needed to see if this area is something FORC would consider adopting.

Congratulations to current FORC'er Kera Linn who won the Sundance Showdown women's pro downhill race in Utah over the weekend!

Meeting adjourned: 7:20 pm