Leverett Trails Committee

7:30 p.m. June 19, 2017 Town Hall, 9 Montague Rd, Leverett, MA 01054

Members Present: Rocky Adriance, Miho Connolly, Neal Erickson, Shannon Gamble, George LoCascio, David Powicki, Mary Alice Wilson

	Status	Plans	Person(s) Responsible	Notes
STATUS OF TRAILS				
Bill Rivers	Old aluminum bridges still need to be removed.	We should just get rid of these. We will ask the Highway Department to take out the bridges from the trail and take them to the Transfer Station.	Miho	
Gordon King	Rocky and David have mowed the paths. The small pond is getting filled in with fallen trees and debris, and the area around the pond is getting grown in.	We will conduct a fall workday to clean up the pond and the area around it.	WORKDAY: 9/16 or 9/23 (rain date)	
Woodard's Corner	Trees are down across the path and need to be removed.			
Ed Field Trail	Trail markers need to be applied to the stakes. Edie and Carl have proposed a new spur trail to a vernal pool on their property. It has been flagged with orange tape, and begins on the woods road north of the juncture with the existing Vernal Pool trail.	Since Carl and Edie are away, a work day will not be scheduled until they return. In the meantime, the LTC is invited to visit and provide input on the proposed trail.	Miho will put up tags. LTC members are welcome to walk the proposed trail and provide input.	
Teawaddle Hill Farm	The vegetation is growing in on the bog bridges and the stretch of trail between the trailhead and the start of the yellow trail. The approach to the bog bridges is muddy. We need to put up signs at the gravel pit and the field.	The vegetation should be cut back. Wood chips could be placed in the approach to the bog bridges. Trail signage will be placed close to the forest edges to avoid farm equipment.	Rocky will take a weedwhacker to the trail. Miho will work on signage.	
Cave Hill	Neal has cleared out an alternative route for the blue trail on Town land to avoid a wet patch. A bog bridge would be useful at the stream crossing to the Town Farm Loop. Boundary Rocks spur is closed. "Boundary Rocks Trail" on the map should be revised to "Boundary Rocks."	Remaining tags for Boundary Rocks trail will be removed. The blue trail reroute will be cleaned up and new tags will be added. A bog bridge will be installed at the stream crossing. Some downed and hung-up trees should be removed.	WORKDAY: 7/15 or 7/22 [EDIT: 7/29] (rain date) @8: 30AM - 11:00AM	
East Leverett Meadow	Rocky has mown the paths.			
Bates	There are several widowmakers hung up around the path		Rocky and George will walk the property to assess	
OTHER BUSINESS				

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New accessible trail	There is a new handicap-accessible trail in Northampton, completed at comparatively less cost and labor.	This may be a good reference for thinking about how to accomplish accessible trails in Leverett.		
LIDAR Maps	LIDAR maps of Leverett are available courtesy of Ray Bradley.	Find them at: http://leverett.ma. us/f/65/LIDAR-Maps-of-Leverett		
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WORK DAY	Saturday, July 15 (rain date: July 22 [EDIT: July 29]) 8:30AM - 11:00AM @ Cave Hill	Mini-workday at the south end of Cave Hill. We will be rerouting the blue trail, putting in a bog bridge, and doing other cleanup.		
	Saturday, September 16 (rain date: Sep. 23) 8:30AM - 11:30AM @ Gordon King	We will be cleaning up the pond in and out!		
NEXT MEETING:	7:30p.m. July 17, 2017			