

Carlisle Trails Committee  
Report of May 1, 2009 Meeting  
Steve Tobin, acting secretary

Attendance: Henry Cox, George Fardy, Louise Hara, Marc Lamere, Kevin Smith, Steve Tobin

### **Old Business**

#### **Review and approve minutes from April:**

The minutes for the April meeting were approved as amended.

#### **Hal's Boardwalk:**

The dedication is scheduled for Sunday, May 10 at 11 am, meeting at the end of Nowell Farme Road. Marc will make the routed sign this weekend, and Steve will install the post with the sign and plaque.

#### **Hanover Hill paths:**

Henry will contact Rob West to let him know we are preparing for the wetlands filing.

#### **Greenough Bridge:**

The old bridge across Greenough Pond was removed and the new bridge was built on the weekend of April 11. We had 21 volunteers. Lesson learned: when working in standing water, install bumpers before the volunteers arrive. George and Kevin later brought in road pack for the ends of the bridge. We did not spend all of the grant money; Henry is waiting to hear from Lee Steppacher regarding the remainder. Henry will get a plaque made acknowledging our funding sources. Steve will add the costs to our boardwalk summary spreadsheet.

#### **Vernal Pool Walk:**

24 people attended the walk at the CCF's Benfield land on an unusually hot day; only 5 children this year. Parking on West Street was not an issue.

#### **Trail Work This Month:**

George cut blowdowns in the Davis Corridor and the Otter Slide trail. Henry removed a tree in the Davis Corridor. Steve cleared a trail in the Bow Tie lot to access the CCF vernal pool.

### **New Business**

#### **Joint Meeting:**

The joint meeting between the Land Stewards, Trails Committee, CRAC, CCF, and Conscom is scheduled on May 18 at 7:30 in the Clark Room. Louise is working with Lynn Knight on an agenda.

**Repair of River Trail Bridge:**

One section of the long bridge is noticeably leaning. Bolts securing the bridge to one post have snapped, and another post has sunk. We will meet at the O'Rourke barn at 10:30 am Sunday with tools and try to repair it.

**RecCom: Bridge from Spalding to Banta-Davis:**

Jeff Bloomfield of RecCom requested Trails Committee input on replacing the bridge from Spalding Field to Banta Davis. Steve will meet with him and suggest that RecCom does the engineering and footings, and the Trails Committee will remove the old bridge and build the new wood structure.

**Election of New Officers:**

The election will be at the next meeting, after Town Meeting. Kevin will find out which members have terms expiring.

**Morse Road Washout Repair:**

Louise will try to get this project moving again.

**New Map Book:**

It was suggested that one of the summer meetings be devoted to brainstorming the format of a new color GIS map book.

**Schedule next meeting:**

The next meeting was set for Friday, May 29, 2009.