Trails Director 2022 Annual Meeting Report – 9-17-2022

Over all we had a productive year. The highlights are as follows:

1St Quarter:

19 crew leaders, 3 trainees (Total for all 3 months). October work was done on the Environmental Trail November maintenance was due on Pigeon Hill. December cancelled due to inclement weather.

2nd Quarter:

6 crew leaders, 1 trainee (Total for all 3 months).

January Crew Leader Training cancelled due to covid and cold weather.

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February a fencing project was done at the Bottom of Kennesaw Mountain.

March was cancelled due to cold weather.

3rd Quarter:

24 crew leaders, 17 trainees (Total for all 3 months).

April, we did a Garlic Mustard pull and continued the fencing project started in February May we put up temporary fencing at the Illinois Monument to reroute hikers while the park performed trail restoration work on the trail.

June maintenance was done on the Cease Fire and Assault Trails and the area around the cannons were cleared.

April also had a crew leader training class with twelve attendees, a combination under instruction crew leaders, those wanting to find out what was involved in trail maintenance, and those taking the class as a refresher course.

4th Quarter:

11 crew leaders (Total for all 3 months).

July and September were cancelled to inclement weather.

August maintenance was performed on the entire 1.9-mile Hardage Mill Trail.

Summary for all four Quarters:

60 crew leaders, 21 trainees (Total for the year).

5 days were cancelled due to weather.

1 day of training was conducted.

7 projects were completed.

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