

Jefferson City Trail Users

November 15, 2023 Meeting Notes
Last Flight Brewing Company

Those attending the meeting were Les Fortenberry, Rick Thom, Celeste Koon, Mike and Jane Lester, Aaron Mealy, and Amy Hedrick.

1. There are currently 23 paid members and \$895.30 in the group's checking account.
2. The number of Facebook followers is over 1.3K.
3. Volunteers from the group will begin raking debris off the downhill edge of the Frog Hollow trail this Saturday, November 18, at 9:00 a.m. Meet at the main parking lot. Any kind of rake will work.
4. The Community Hike at Binder Lake on Veteran's Day was well attended considering that there were many Veteran's Day activities and deer season. The next Community Hike will be on December 27 at McKay Lake at 5:30 pm. Moonrise is 4:52 that night so the moon may be out. The January Community Hike will be at 1:30 pm on Saturday, January 20, from the Noren Access to other points in North Jefferson if the weather is not too cold. The February Community Hike will be on the Lincoln Greenway. A date was not selected.
5. The group will also advertise The First Day Hike sponsored by Missouri State Parks. It will be from 1:00-2:30 pm on January 1 and leave from the Lohman Building to go across the Bicentennial Bridge to Adrian's Island. Registration is required though the link on the website is not active yet.
6. The next Get Acquainted hike will be on November 24th at 11:00 am at Niekamp Park in St. Martins. Participants will make laps of the paved trail or they can go to the nearby greenway which extends to Apache Flats.
7. The group is still planning to invite new JC Parks officials to Binder Lake trails and the shorebird area in the spring.
8. The group discussed following up on the trail network map and kiosk improvements with Parks staff. If these items will take a long time to complete, the Trail users may donate money for benches in the woods on a couple of Binder Trails or a bike maintenance station at the entrance to Gravy Train. Celeste will contact Kevin Schwartz when he returns to work. Les Fortenberry will see if there are any signs available for No More Trash, or the group may see about other options for obtaining signs to discourage littering.
9. The next meeting will be on January 10 from 5-6 p.m. at Last Flight Brewing Company. January 17 will be an alternate day if there is bad weather on the 10th. Some meetings next year may be at JC Parks facilities.