



The Tennessee Eastman Hiking and Paddling News

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From the Chair

Vic Hasler, Steering Committee Chair

As my “bonus” year as chair winds to a close, I would like to highlight a few successes while expressing sincere gratitude to those who have been involved with the club.

This year nearly 70 different people enjoyed the 23 published hikes to explore our region. Typically, 4-5 folks carpooled, mostly on Sunday afternoons, to the paths wandering through forests or along mountainous ridges. These outings were made possible thanks to Joe DeLoach, Barry Griggs, Vic Hasler, Brien Lewis, Garry Luttrell, Tim McClain, and Tim Schaefer willing to take the lead. The experiences are captured in the monthly newsletters

and trail wiki as information for the community.

The club now has a performance grade shirt with its patch that is actually comfortable to wear while being active. The first reorder is now underway, and will be placed once 12 paid requests are gathered.

Joe DeLoach reported that during the 2013 Fiscal Year, 422 individuals contributed 12,770 hours to manage our now 133-mile section of the Appalachian Trail. Relocations were completed near Nolichucky River and White Rocks Mountain, while progress is being made between Ash Gap and Cloudland and on the Backbone Rock Trail.

Konnarock Crew shirts were earned by John Beaudet, Carl Fritz, Joe Morris, and Bob Peoples for at least 40 hours on the focused effort. The club successfully completed its responsibilities for workshops at the ATC Biennial meeting back in July. An opportunity in the coming year is to recruit more folks to assist with routine maintenance (versus construction) to keep the Trail in its excellent condition (and maybe the rain won't grow the weeds as fast!). Many thanks to current maintenance section leaders and shelter adopters: Jim Chambers, Phylis Cairnes, Steve Wilson, Tim McClain, Larry Miller, Ted Mowery, Paul Benfield, Terry Oldfield, Waylon Jenkins, Bill Hodge, Kat Johnson, Kim Peters, Brian Paley, Dave & Carol Dunham, Bill Fuller, Joe Morris, Anna & Shane Hackler, Bob Peoples, Tim Stewart, Scott Van Dam, Gerald Scott, Harold Wexler, Stephen Stroup, Mike Watts, Steve Perri, Gayle Riddervold, Becky Kinder, Lynn DiFiore, Richard Carter, Joe DeLoach, Gary Luttrell, Gether Irick, Jim Foster, Howard & Faye Guinn, Mike Hupko, Old Timers Hiking Club, John Beaudet, George Thorpe, Michael Ray, Dale Douthat, Craig Haire, and Bill Berry. Know one of these leaders? Then contact them to volunteer to help when groups go out in the spring.

Paddling events were arranged to Lake Santeetlah, Bluestone River, Watauga River, Boone Lake, Hiwassee River and other area destinations. Swift water rescue courses were held.

Please give your support to Brien Lewis and Steve Perri as they chair the TEHCC Steering and AT committees during the upcoming year.

2014 Steering Committee

Vic Hasler reporting

As another year heads towards the history books, TEHCC expresses appreciation to Mary Fanslow, Barry Griggs, and Marc Schurger for their leadership over the past two years. They plan to stay involved with the club's activities, thus we'll continue to see them on the trail and at dinners. Next, the Steering Committee welcomes Steve Ankabrandt, Fred Mullner, and Mike Watts to service along with returning Terry Dougherty, Brien Lewis, Garry Luttrell, and Tim McClain as rotating members. During the confirmation, Ed Montgomery decided to allow younger members to chart the club's direction, thus he removed his name from the slate. Ex officio leadership is also received from Steve Perri (AT Committee), Tim Schaefer (Membership), and Vic Hasler (Past Chair). Once arranged, the 2014 meetings will be added to the schedule, as these discussions are open to all TEHCC members.

Letter from the Town of Unicoi

November 7, 2013

To The Tennessee Eastman Hiking and Canoeing Club:

On behalf of the citizens of The Town of Unicoi and The Unicoi Board of Mayor and Aldermen, I would like to express our deepest appreciation for your invaluable assistance in the development of the Pinnacle Tower Trail. We would particularly like to extend our gratitude to **Ed Oliver and Jim Foster for their extraordinary work** in identifying and laying out the outstanding trail route, extending from the Town up to the restored Pinnacle Fire Tower atop Buffalo Mountain. This shared use trail is presently one of the most popular Cherokee National Forest trails in the entire northeast Tennessee region. On numerous occasions, since the trail was opened, there have been 20 or more cars parked at the trailhead on a weekend day, and nearly every day there are hikers utilizing the trail from morning to night. Most importantly, those who come to hike the Pinnacle Tower Trail are welcomed visitors to our community, and collectively make a significant contribution to its progress and vitality. Many thanks to the aforementioned individuals and all TEHCC members who participated in this highly successful and beneficial project. Without question, the development of the Pinnacle Tower Trail has provided a notable enhancement to our quality of life here in The Town of Unicoi.

Sincerely,

Johnny Lynch, Town of Unicoi Mayor

Membership Drive

Tim Schaefer reporting

It's nearly a new year, which means it's time for membership renewal. For those who were already going to [renew](#), THANK YOU! You can stop reading, because apparently you're already on board with everything I have to say. So you don't feel left out, here's a picture of Arnold from Diff'rent Strokes meeting Knight Rider. The rest can stick around and read my top five reasons to renew.



How cool is that?

5. Discounts

We often joke that hiking is great because all you need are shoes, sometimes qualified with the word 'good.' Apparently shirt and pants are optional.



Not just shoes

The truth is that there are not only shoes, but coats, underlayers, overlayers, midlayers, submidlayers, outeroverlayers, etc. and I've only made it to the top half of your body. Four outfitters in our area have graciously offered to provide our card carrying members a 10% discount, usually restricted to hiking and footwear.

- [Mahoney's](#) (Johnson City, TN) – 10% discount on hiking gear and footwear
- [Mountain Sports, Ltd.](#) (Bristol, VA) – 10% discount
- [Mount Rogers Outfitters](#) (Damascus, VA) – 10% discount
- [Highlands Ski and Outdoor Center](#) (Abingdon, VA) – 10% discount on hiking gear and footwear

4. Funding our website

Unless you're one of the 13 people that get the newsletter mailed to you, you are benefiting from the funds from dues used to pay our internet hosting fees (the 13 of you are benefiting from Eastman's copiers, shhhh!)



What I go through for 13 of you

Our website has newsletters that go back to 1976. I was born in 1976! [Collins Chew was picking blueberries](#) the year I was born and I can find that in seconds thanks to those of you who payed dues allowing that information to be online.

3. The trail wiki

“Hey! You're double dipping” you might say, since the wiki is part of web hosting. So what, I wanted five items and I wanted to highlight the trail wiki. Our wiki has [every trail that I or Vic know about in our area](#), plus some. If you know of others that aren't included, please let us know. Our hope is that it can get you to the trail head, let you know what to expect when you get there, and maybe even suggest some neat non-trail things to see, eat, or do when you're out that way. Your dues again, make that possible.

2. Supporting trail maintenance

I often like to say that our membership dues of \$5 (Eastman) or \$10 (Affiliates) should be considered yearly trail head fees for our section of the A.T. I've easily spent that in a weekend, if not on a single hike, paying for park or trail head fees.



Never seen on the AT around us

Well over half of our revenue goes directly to support maintenance activities in our area; specifically our 134 miles of the A.T. that we have committed to maintain. Have you noticed the nicely maintained trails around Carvers Gap, or seen a fallen tree cut and thrown to the side of the trail?

Our dues are what pay for the equipment (not the time!) that people use to make that possible.

1. Being a part of the local hiking and canoeing community

If I haven't convinced you yet, this is my final chance. As a member of TEHCC, you are part of a group of people just like you, those who love to get outdoors on a trail or on a river and just enjoy the beauty that nature has graciously provided us. We have several outings a year ([check our schedule](#)) including a renewed focus to have at least weekly outings during the primary 40 weeks of our hiking and canoeing season. In addition, we have social gatherings at least twice a year at our dinner meetings. Lastly, if you think we're missing something that a local hiking club should have, well you're exactly the person we want in the club; so come on! Sign up! [Become a member today!](#)

TEHCC Welcomes New Members

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| Christopher Rector | Frederick Mullner |
| Jason Willis | Ryan Russum |
| Eric Dulaney | Kamil Toga |
| Bryan Carter | Luiz Zagolin |
| Swapnil Sheth | Stephanie Percy |

Event Schedule – Next Two Months

For the latest, up-to-date information, see tehcc.org/schedule

| Date | Description | Leader | Contact |
|-------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| Dec 3 | TEHCC Steering Committee Meeting | Vic Hasler | chair@tehcc.org |

Details of Upcoming Events

Recurring Events

Most Tuesdays: Weekly A.T. Trail Maintenance

Join a group of maintainers who work somewhere on our 135-mile section each week, usually on Tuesdays. Contact Carl Fritz, 423-477-4669 (atvolunteer@tehcc.org), for dates and meeting places.

Tuesday Evenings: Johnson City Roll Practice

Come join the Jackson Action Wagon (J.A.W.), APEs, and other paddlers from around our region at the Freedom Hall Pool in Johnson City, TN from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. every Tuesday for tips and tricks about basic kayaking and to learn how to roll. Have you already mastered the basics and have a bomb proof roll? There is still a lot of fun to be had at our pool session by practicing your flat-water freestyle moves and fellowshiping with other paddlers in a nice warm-water environment. Admission to the pool is \$2; rolling advice is free! Contact the pool office (423- 461-4872) for session confirmation or questions regarding the facility.

It is swim meet season at the pool, so we will **NOT** have pool session on the following dates: Jan 14, 2014

Click [here](#) for more information.

Please note: The J.A.W. provides boats for demo at the pool session, but neither the pool nor the J.A.W. provides paddling equipment (paddle, spray skirt, etc.). If you do not have your own equipment, please post a message on the APEs yahoo group site or send [Wesley](#) an email asking other members to bring extra equipment. We will try our best to get you outfitted for the night!

Thursday Evenings: Kayak Session, Kingsport Aquatic Center, 7 – 9 p.m.

For event details, go to <http://regions.worldkayak.com/tri-cities/2013/06/27/kingsport-aquatic-center-kayak-session/>

Scheduled Events

TEHCC Steering Committee meeting, Tue, December 3, 11:30am – 1:00pm

Contact: *Vic Hasler, chair@tehcc.org*

Location: Eastman Chemical Company, Kingsport, TN, Research Bldg 150B, Room 202

The Steering Committee guides the general program for the club. Meetings are held monthly at lunchtime and are open to all TEHCC members. Members who are not current Eastman employees need to contact a member of the [Steering Committee](#) at least the day prior to arrange for a temporary pass.



There are no other events scheduled for this month. Happy holidays!

For the Record

Doe River Gorge, October 27, 2013

Tim Schaefer reporting

It was a beautiful fall day for a hike along the tracks to the old train bridge. For those that haven't ventured out here yet it's an extremely nice hike with great views along narrow gage train track (i.e. flat and even grade). As always, check out our wiki for [Doe River Gorge](#) for details on the trail. Joining me was my family, Jaime and Paul Aiello, and Zhufang Liu and Jingua Yuan and their children.

Warriors Path Bike Trails, November 4, 2013

Tim Schaefer reporting

Yet another beautiful fall day for a hike. This one a bit colder than the previous week's hike but still extremely pleasant. Since we had small children we kept the distance down and did just Boneyard. The trail map said 1.9, our wiki says 2.44. I'm inclined to believe our measurement as it took us right at two hours including the short distance to and from the loop. For those that may have never considered hiking these trails because of the mention of "Bike Trails," these are some of the nicest trails that I've been on in Kingsport with great views of the park and river. All we had to do was dodge out of the way for two bicyclists for our entire hike. Not bad for such a nice hike so close to home. Joining me was my family, Paula Cahill, and family friend Amanda.

Rocky Fork—Flint Creek Battle Site, November 10, 2013

Vic Hasler reporting

On a gorgeous late fall Sunday afternoon, one car carrying Dave Kossor, Gerald Scott, Marc Schurger, and Vic Hasler took the 50 minute drive to the trailhead arriving at 2PM. With an early 5:30PM sunset, long shadows were already creeping into the valley. Leaves thickly covered the gravel road which runs along the cascading Rocky Fork stream. Back on wintery January 10, 1789 morning, John Sevier and his men had to walk or ride horses in snow along or in the cold flow – pulling "grasshopper" field cannon with three pound balls/canister shot. A portion of the troops were also sent over Flint Mountain to close the retreat path. Upon reaching Flint Creek, we discovered that a large blowdown across the stream has been converted into a simple bridge, thus affording a quick and dry passage. The Indian encampment site was in the bottomlands where the two creeks merged. Sevier reported determining their exact location from the smoke of their campfires. The wet weather caused the gunpowder to not function, so the battle quickly evolved into hand-to-hand combat with sword and tomahawk. The encounter was no longer than an hour leaving a "bloody field" per the governor's report. For the hikers, we could see the regrowth forest in the lowlands, but could only imagine what occurred on that snowy morning. We hiked to the upper end where the Flint Trail continues following the creek up to the ridgeline at the AT, and then turned back. A nice easy three mile hike enjoyed. Some will also be back next year to pursue fishing,

and a hike to top of White House Cliffs as the newly cut trail was observed.

Buffalo Mountain Park, White Rock Overlook – November 17, 2013

Barry Griggs reporting



Under dry but threatening skies, four dedicated hikers decided to forge ahead and tackle the 3-mile round-trip hike to White Rocks on Buffalo Mountain. According to the forecast and radar, it was almost certain that we would get wet before we returned, but so what! About thirty minutes into the hike our weather expectations were realized as a light drizzle began to fall. The rain gradually increased in intensity and everyone donned their rain gear (those who had it) for some degree of protection. While there was a steady drizzle and some wind, it never reached the level of a downpour and there was no thunder, so we were good. We encountered one other wet group of hikers from a Johnson City church who were trying to locate their church through the fog/rain from the White Rock overlook, but no luck. Footing was a bit iffy at times with piles of wet leaves on the sometimes rather steep trail, but that just added to the adventure. After White Rocks, we decided to continue on to the communication towers and return via the Tower Ridge Trail to see

some different scenery. In spite of the uncooperative weather, we had a very enjoyable hike with good company. Our group included Paula Cahill, Peng Song, William Werner and Barry Griggs.



A.T. Maintenance Reports

Reporting: Craig Haire

Date: 10/23/2013

Purpose: Clear trail-side undergrowth

Location: Section 20a, Nolichucky River to Temple Hill Gap, North end of section

People: Craig Haire

Summary: Trail-side rhododendron and woody scrub were cut back a foot or so.

Reporting: Joe DeLoach

Date: 10/26/2013

Purpose: Southern Regional Partnership Committee Meeting

Location: Asheville

People: Joe DeLoach

Summary: I represented TEHCC at this semi-annual meeting. A proposal to limit stays at shelters and backcountry campsites along the A.T. to three consecutive nights was overwhelmingly endorsed. Managing special uses along the A.T., for example guided hikes and fundraising events, continues to be a challenge. The RPC endorsed a Stewardship Council policy statement on such uses with a few suggested minor modifications. The A.T. Park Office and ATC would like to more strongly tie project proposals to identified deficiencies and capital planning, and we will meet with them to discuss this in December.

Reporting: Becky Kinder

Date: 10/26/2013

Purpose: Check trail

Location: Section 13a, US19E to Doll Flats

People: Gayle Riddervold, Becky Kinder

Summary: We hiked in about 2 miles to check trail. There was a 17-inch diameter blow down about a mile in. We sawed it in 3 places and moved it off the trail. Two backpacker's came down from Doll Flats and said everything was good to there.

Reporting: Kim Peters

Date: 10/29/2013

Purpose: Dig relocations

Location: Section 15b, North of Ash Gap

People: Ed Oliver, Daryel Anderson, Bill Murdoch, John Beaudet, Greg Kramer, Paul Benfield, Tim Stewart, Ken Buchanan, Kim Peters, Joe Morris

Summary: The Tuesday Crew continued working on the relocation started before the government shutdown. The final steps were added to the switchback (#13 by Ed's count) and a few more steps were added on the upper and lower legs. This switchback is ready to open after settling in over the winter. Switchback # 12 was cut out and about two thirds of the upper leg completed. Bear season has started and we heard dogs barking and getting closer. We all thought that at any minute we would see a bear running across the trail. Two section hikers on their way up called out to us not to shoot as they were not a bear. We said don't shoot us either as we are maintainers. Apparently on their previous night they did encounter a hunter with a bear that he had killed.

Reporting: Paul Benfield

Date: 11/2/2013

Purpose: Regular maintenance

Location: Section 4b, TN 91 to Double Springs Shelter

People: Paul Benfield, Ted Mowery, Jim Foster

Summary: We repainted all blazes on the section and removed all limbs from the trail. We also removed trees that had fallen on the trail, cut back yearly growth, cleaned out the water sources, and cleaned out water diversion ditches. We removed all litter around Double Springs Shelter. Two fallen trees are still on the trail and will be removed at a later date. They are both easy stepovers. The first post in the stile needs to be replaced; it is broken off but still standing.

Reporting: Terry Oldfield

Date: 11/3/2013

Purpose: Maintain Double Springs Shelter

Location: Section 4b, Double Springs Shelter

People: John Frey, Terry Oldfield

Summary: Thanks to Paul, Ted, and Jim who went out the previous day the trail was in great shape and there was almost no trash at the shelter. We did pick some trash out of the fire pit, cleaned leaves out of the gutter, and left a new log book. The log book left there in August was no where to be found.

Reporting: Mike Hupko

Date: 11/4/2013

Purpose: Fall Maintenance

Location: Section 18, Beauty Spot to Deep Gap

People: Marsha Hupko, Mike Hupko

Summary: We cut nine small trees hanging into trail, cleaned out dips, picked up trash, hung one directional water sign at Deep Gap, and checked springs. Spring flows are low.

Reporting: Carl Fritz

Date: 11/5/2013

Purpose: Prepare relo

Location: Section 16a, Hughes Gap to Greasy Creek Gap, Little Rock Knob

People: Paul Benfield, Carl Fritz, Greg Kramer, Ted Mowery, Ed Oliver, Kim Peters, Tim Stewart, George Thorpe

Summary: We completed setting out pin flags and cutting out relocation at Little Rock Knob. Everything looks doable and fortunately the rocks look movable or breakable. It will take at least two years, even with some Hard Core help. We installed about a half-dozen rock steps on the relo, plus did some minor rehab on existing trail. It was a great day to be outside.

Reporting: Anna Hackler

Date: 11/6/2013

Purpose: General maintenance

Location: Section 10, Hampton trailhead to Dennis Cove Road

People: Anna Hackler, Shane Hackler

Summary: We cleaned up some trash, repainted the blazes, moved some limbs and cut some weeds. Someone has taken a knife and scratched the "directions" sign where the blue blaze meets the A.T. If we can get a new plate, we can go back out and replace it.

Reporting: Gerald Scott

Date: 11/8/2013

Purpose: Fall Maintenance

Location: Section 12b, Walnut Mountain Road to Sugar Hollow Creek

People: Gerald Scott, Harold Wexler

Summary: We cleared several blowdowns (the largest being 14-inches), cleaned out waterbars, and dug out drainage ways. We swept out and removed trash from Mountaineer Falls Shelter.

Reporting: Becky Kinder

Date: 11/8/2013

Purpose: Check for blowdowns

Location: Section 13a, US 19E to Doll Flats

People: Becky Kinder, Gayle Riddervold

Summary: We hiked in from 19E to check trail. We found one tree down about a mile in and took care of it. We came across one huge down tree; only its trunk was on the trail and the other 30 some feet was hanging over the bank. We have the trunk cut halfway. When we get the rest of it sawed, we will push it over the bank. We will finish this week. We quit early because of the shindig tonight in Kingsport.

Reporting: Carl Fritz

Date: 11/9/2013

Purpose: Dig relocation

Location: Section 15b, South of Cloudland

People: Richard Carter, Carl Fritz, Joe Morris, Ted Mowery, Ed Oliver, John Robbins, Tim Stewart, ASU Trail Crew: James Lautzenheiser, Sonia Smith, Jeremiah Bolick, Kate Miller, Will Rogers, Robert Alvis, Jonathan Nichols, Gabrielle Morey, Jeffrey Carney, Cara He

Summary: On a brisk fall day, the temperature held at 40 all day. It was good working weather, but not good for a leisurely lunch. Lots of people were out enjoying the day at Carver's Gap. The ASU Trail Crew provided energy to help us make good progress on one of the difficult remaining relocations.

Reporting: Gayle Riddervold

Date: 11/10/2013

Purpose: Finish cutting a blowdown

Location: Section 13a, US 19E to Dolls Flats

People: Gayle Riddervold, Becky Kinder

Summary: We hiked in about a mile and a quarter to finish cutting the big blowdown we started the other day. It took about 20 minutes or more to saw through the tree. Then we tied a rope around it and pushed it down a bank. The soil had to be built up on the lower side of the trail and bank because the tree made a big indentation in the ground. We built up the erosion on the side of the trail and gathered big rocks to line the trail's edge. Becky cut two gigantic vines that were hanging over the trail as we were heading back to our car. We ran into many backpackers, more so than we have seen in a long time. One hiker asked if we ever cleaned the leaves off the trail to which I said "no," since it would be an impossible task.

Reporting: Joe Morris

Date: 11/10/2013

Purpose: Install step

Location: Section 9b, Pond Flats to Hampton trailhead, Old railroad grade/A.T. intersection

People: Joe Morris

Summary: I installed a step adjacent to some cribbing that the Tuesday crew had done several weeks ago. Someone had used stones to put up and secure the steel sign that indicates distances to Laurel Falls, Shelters, and Wilbur Dam.

Reporting: Carl Fritz

Date: 11/14/2013

Purpose: Replace Koonford Bridge, Section 10

Location: Jonesborough

People: Carl Fritz, Ed Oliver

Summary: We are completing materials lists and have obtained or have on order all wooden materials.

Reporting: Carl Fritz

Date: 11/15/2013

Purpose: Dig relocation

Location: Section 2a, Backbone Rock Trail

People: Daryl Anderson, John Beaudet, Ken Buchanan, Richard Carter, Carl Fritz, Ted Mowery, Kim Peters

Summary: We continued digging the upper leg of relo. We installed about eight major rock steps, a lot of cribbing, dug trail and cut

out brush on rest of relo. One more good day should finish this first half mile relo.

Reporting: Carl Fritz

Date: 11/16/2013

Purpose: 3rd Saturday – Hiking with Tools. Cut blowdowns, remove iron at shelter, check monument

Location: Section 5, TN 91 to Iron Mountain Shelter

People: Carl Fritz, Lauren Johnson, Rob Morrow, Brian Paley, Kim Peters

Summary: We had a great day to hike with tools. Lauren and Rob joined us for their first trail maintenance. We cleared about five minor blowdowns and did some minor lopping. We inspected Grindstaff monument. We removed the large metal tripping hazard at Iron Mountain Shelter. The SAWS crew was working on Turkey Pen Gap relocation.



Lauren Johnson is cutting a blowdown with Carl "supervising."



Left to right: Brian Paley, Lauren Johnson, Carl Fritz and Rob Morrow

Reporting: Joe DeLoach

Date: 11/17/2013

Purpose: Inspect proposed side trail to the A.T.

Location: Section 5, From Cross Mountain Road to the A.T.

People: Joe DeLoach

Summary: The Mid-Appalachian Highlands Club has proposed connecting the Iron Mtn Trail, which they maintain, to the A.T. on Cross Mountain. This would complete a loop of about 40 miles. Currently there is a 0.9-mile road walk between where the Iron Mtn Trail comes out on Cross Mtn Road and the access point from the road to the A.T. The proposed new trail would cut the road walk down to 0.1 mile. Part of the route appears to go through private land. We will need to review with the Forest Service and ATC at our upcoming Partnership Meeting.

Reporting: Carl Fritz

Date: 11/20/2013

Purpose: Prepare relo

Location: Section 16a, Hughes Gap to Greasy Creek Gap

People: John Beaudet, Ken Buchanan, Richard Carter, Jim Foster, Carl Fritz, Joe Morris, Ed Oliver, Kim Peters, Tim Stewart

Summary: We grubbed many rhodo stumps on relocation at Little Rock Knob. We now have a good walking path to get part of Hard Core in there. With a lot of determination from the maintainers, a huge multi-tree stump was removed from the new trail. We also picked up more materials for Koonford Bridge.

Reporting: Tim Stewart

Date: 11/22/2013

Purpose: Remove blowdown

Location: Section 11b, Canute Place

People: Tim Stewart, Carl Fritz

Summary: Carl and I went to the Canute Place via Tower Road off of 19E. There was a reported blowdown just south of the Canute Place. Once we found the trail, we hiked south for about 1/2 mile and finally found the blowdown just past the Canute Place. We removed the blowdown and then hiked back to the Canute Place. The Canute Place water source was flowing. We installed two directional, water signs and repainted the blue blazes leading to the spring. I followed the old road at the Canute Place back to the forest service road while Carl hiked back to the truck via the A.T. Carl removed another blowdown and then picked me up on the forest service road.