

Bluff Trail Stewardship Program (BTSP) Quarterly Report Jan-March 2019

BTSP Reports = 49

Event Report	1
Strava	22
Website	12
Email	7
Twilio	7

Total to date 2019: 49

Hours on Trail = 135.75

11.5 (8%) paid
124.25 (92%) unpaid

Total 2019: 144.25

11.5 (8%) paid
132.75 (92%) unpaid

Presence on Trail = 38 38/90 Days (42%)

35 days on Pot Lake Loop
8 day on Mi'kmaw Hill Loop
5 day on Bluff & Hay Marsh
(8 days on Cranberry Lake)

Total days to date: 38/90 (42%)

BTSP Stewards Trained: 0

Total to date 2019: 0

(Total trained since 2017: 92)

Check-Ins at LNT Sites

8 at Coyote/U'lukwej & Crow/Ka'qaquj

**Total to date: 8 at Coyote/U'lukwej & Crow/Ka'qaquj
0 at Squirrel/Atutu'wej & Moose/Tia'm**

People Count = 490*

490 People Observed; 172 People Engaged (35%)

(54% of reports accounting for 63% of trail hours included the number of people observed/engaged)

Dog Count = 113

112 were reported either on/off leash

83 (74%) off leash
29 (26%) on leash

21 disturbing users
26 disturbing enviro.

Total dogs to date: 113

In-Kind Contributions = \$4,676.27

On-Trail Labour: 124.25hours @ \$20.10/hour** = \$2,497.43
Off-Trail Labour: 108.4 hours @ \$20.10/hour = \$2,178.84

Total in-kind contribution to date: \$4,676.27

Remediation & Repair

- 9 trail braid barriers refurbished
- 5 trail spur barriers constructed or refurbished
- Deadwood arranged through areas of pine where lack of undergrowth makes the trail difficult to identify
- Food wrappers, Tim Hortons cups, and dog poop bags continue to feature among the most common litter collected on trail

*Two reports from 19 January included person counts. Both counts were included in total because one person traveled the PLL Corridor (observing 68 people and engaging 57) and the other travelled on Cranberry Lake (observing 28 people and engaging 18).

** WRWEO calculates the value of volunteer labour according to the 2015 study, *Working for a Living, Not Living for Work*, released by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives – Nova Scotia in partnership with United Way – Halifax. The report used the Canadian Living Wage Framework to calculate the living wage for Halifax at \$20.10/hr. (All off-trail volunteer hours were reported by kmb)

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Events

On 9 March 2019, the BTSP Stewardship Coordinator (Mike Lancaster) delivered a BTSP presentation to Trips by Transit group before they set off for their hike. There were 26 people in the group and the presentation was made at the trail head.

First Quarter Comparison 2017-2018-2019

	2017 Q1	2018 Q1	2019 Q1	
Number of new stewards trained	14	28	0	xxx
Number of reports received	14	36	49	✓✓
Number of days on trail	13	28	38	✓✓
Number of hours on trail	182	518.29	135.75	xxx
Number of Paid Hours on trail	24.5	32.5	11.5	xxx
Number of Unpaid Hours on trail	158	485.79	124.25	xxx
Percentage of paid hours	13%	6%	8%	xxx
Percentage of unpaid hours	87%	94%	92%	x
Days of presence on Pot Lake Loop	13	24	35	✓✓
Days of presence on Mi'kmaw Hill Loop	6	16	8	x
Days of presence on Bluff Loop	4	15	5	x
Days of presence on Hay Marsh Loop	4	7	5	x
Days of presence in wider FBLWA	3	2	8	✓✓
Number of people observed (adjusted)*	242	117	490	▯▯▯
Number of people observed		117	490	▯▯▯
Number of people (adjusted)* engaged	116	69	172	✓✓
Percentage of People Engaged	48%	59%	35%	xxx
Number of dogs observed	65	9	113	▯▯▯
LNT check in at coyote/u'lukwej	5	13	8	x
LNT check in at crow/ka'qaquj	5	13	8	x
LNT check in at squirrel/atutu'wej	2	4	0	xxx
LNT check in at moose/tia'm	n/a	2	0	x

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- ✓ Up compared to 2018
- ✓✓ Up compared to 2017 & 2018
- x Down compared to 2018
- xxx Down compared to 2017 & 2018
- ▯▯▯ Dramatic increase

*In an effort to avoid "double counting", if the number of people observed is included in two or more reports from a single day, only the largest count is included in the "adjusted" number. However, if the reports do not overlap in terms of time of day or loops travelled, this "adjustment" is not performed. For example, two reports from 19 January 2019 included person counts. Both counts were included in total because one person traveled the PLL Corridor (observing 68 people and engaging 57) and the other travelled on Cranberry Lake (observing 28 people and engaging 18).