



**Ozark Trail Association
Q4 Board Meeting
Zoom Conference
Tuesday, November 8, 2022**

A meeting of the directors of the corporation was held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 7:00 P.M., at via Zoom Conferencing for the purpose of reviewing the current year's business, discussing corporate operations for the upcoming year, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting, pursuant to notice and in accordance with Bylaws of the Ozark Trail Association, A Missouri Nonprofit Corporation.

Ms. Abi Jackson was elected Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Jeff Goetter was appointed Secretary thereof.

The secretary announced that the meeting was held pursuant to notice, if and as required under the bylaws of this corporation.

The secretary announced that the following directors were present at the meeting:

Ms. Kathie Brennan
Mr. Stephen Thompson
Mr. Tim Seener
Mr. James Schneider

Mr. Mark Goforth
Mr. Garrett Doak
Mr. Jeff Goetter
Mr. Roger Allison

The secretary then announced that the presence of these directors at the meeting represented a quorum of the board of directors as defined in the bylaws of this corporation.

The following persons were also present at the meeting:

Mr. Terry Hawn
Mr. John Nies

Ms. Abi Jackson

The secretary announced that the minutes of the 3rd Quarter Board meeting held on August 6, 2022, were provided for the meeting. After discussion, a vote was taken, and the minutes of the meeting were approved by the directors in attendance with one minor correction.

The first item of business was the opportunity for open public discussion by meeting attendees. No items were brought forward.

The next item of business was the **President** report from Ms. Kathie Brennan. USFS is working on multiple Private landowners about issues, we do have one issue on the Victory Section that will have to be addressed and some issues with hunting. NRT has moved on to the Milwaukee office. We will continue getting additional funding from the GAOA through the end of 2025 when we need it for deferred maintenance projects. We have 2 new hires, Alex and Kaitlin living at the house and they will be leading GAOA projects including AmeriCorps crews in the field or working on other projects when those crews are not in.

The next item of business was the **Vice President** report from Mr. Goforth. No report presented.

The next item of business was the **Treasurer's** report provided by Mr. Roger Allison. Report may be viewed in **Attachment 1**.

The next item of business was the **Chief Operations Officer** report by Ms. Abi Jackson. Report may be viewed in **Attachment 2**.

The next item of business was reports from the **Board Committees**.

The **Recruiting and Nominating Committee** was an open discussion. Mr. Jim Schneider is going to take the lead on the committee.

The next item of business was reports from the Standing Committees.

The **Planning and Development Committee** report was presented by Mr. Jim Schneider and may be viewed in **Attachment 3**.

Motion made by Mr. Goforth to authorize the committee to spend up to \$1200 to obtain shape files that are needed for working with ArcGIS, motion was seconded by Mr. Tim Seener and passed unanimously.

The **Construction & Maintenance Committee** was reported by Mr. Terry Hawn. And the Adopt-A-Trail coordinator reports active adopters are up 5%, 4 more adopters got t shirts, inactive adopters will have one more shot at claiming their section before new OPEN list is advertised starting Jan 23. Report may be viewed in **Attachment 4**.

The **Communications Committee** had no report.

The **Finance Committee** was reported on by multiple persons. Announcement was made the next Trivia night is scheduled for February 11, 2023. The Membership report was presented by Mr. Doak and maybe viewed in **Attachment 5**.

Ms. Brennan is asking for budget requests to be submitted and for known committees and other areas outside the USFS that would need we would have to find funding for.

The **Education and Outreach Committee** report was provided by summaries outreach events.

The next item of business was a report from the **20th Anniversary Celebration Committee** presented by Mr. Jeff Goetter and maybe viewed in **Attachment 6**.

The next item of business was a call for new business items.

Ms. Brenan announced an Ozark Trail Council meeting was being planned for Thursday, 12-15-22 on Zoom at 9:30 AM

After discussion, Saturday, January 21, 2023, was selected as the date for Annual Board of Directors meeting and will be held in-person meeting in Potosi.

There being no other further business before the Board, on motion duly made seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffery J. Goetter
Secretary, Ozark Trail Association Board of Directors



Report to the Board of Directors

Treasurer's Report 3rd Quarter 2022

Prepared By: Roger B. Allison

October 31, 2022

I have attached several financial reports for your review:

1. A Statement of Activity for just third quarter of 2022 compared to the 3rd quarter of 2021. **A favorable comparison for this year**, we had a negative cash flow of \$1,497.36 this year as compared to **-15,129.21** for the same quarter in 2021. Revenue was higher and expenses less. Note that GAOA reimbursements were just starting in the 3rd Quarter of 2021.
2. A Statement of Activity for this year through the end of the third quarter. Net Operating Revenue (profit) for the year as of the end of the quarter is \$84,213.90. Net Revenue is \$87,614.71. I would say that this level of profitability is historic. That comes on the heels of a successful 2021 is also noteworthy.
3. Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2022. This report indicates the positive things that have happened in the first nine months of 2022. However, it does report the effect of nine months of dismal performance of the financial markets have had on our endowment fund. Note also that we established the OTA Reserve fund this last quarter. \$30,000 has been placed in CD's through Edward Jones as follows:

OTA Reserve Fund

Bank	Term	Mat Date	Value	Rate	Interest
SANTANDER BK	3 months	1/9/2023	7000	3.30%	\$ 57.75
ALLY BK Sandy UT	6 month	4/6/2023	8000	3.90%	\$ 156.00
FIFTH THIRD BK	12 months	10/5/2023	15000	4.10%	\$ 615.00

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Statement of Activity July - September, 2022

	TOTAL		
	JUL - SEP, 2022	JUL - SEP, 2021 (PY)	% CHANGE
Revenue			
40000 Donations			
40100 Individual Contributions	2,414.54	3,247.42	-25.65 %
40200 Entity Contributions	1,486.21	1,620.17	-8.27 %
Total 40000 Donations	3,900.75	4,867.59	-19.86 %
50000 USFS Cost-Share	16,235.85	3,164.58	413.05 %
52000 Membership Revenue			
52100 Memberships	4,261.59	3,952.83	7.81 %
Total 52000 Membership Revenue	4,261.59	3,952.83	7.81 %
54000 Merchandise and Misc. Sales			
54300 Inventory Sales			
54340 Map Sales		4,364.94	-100.00 %
54350 Merchandise Sales	229.08	1,077.27	-78.74 %
Total 54300 Inventory Sales	229.08	5,442.21	-95.79 %
54400 Cost of Inventory Sales			
54450 Merchandise Costs		-822.00	100.00 %
Total 54400 Cost of Inventory Sales		-822.00	100.00 %
Total 54000 Merchandise and Misc. Sales	229.08	4,620.21	-95.04 %
58000 Special Events Income			
58030 Challenge Hike Cash In	5,650.62	4,692.40	20.42 %
58035 Devil's Toll Race Cash In	2,945.00	4,150.00	-29.04 %
58040 3-Legged Monster Cash In	5,129.00	5,297.00	-3.17 %
58050 Al-Pint Night Cash In	719.00		
Total 58000 Special Events Income	14,443.62	14,139.40	2.15 %
Total Revenue	\$39,070.89	\$30,744.61	27.08 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$39,070.89	\$30,744.61	27.08 %
Expenditures			
72000 Salary and Wage Expenses			
72200 Staff Wages	10,647.13	11,874.84	-10.34 %
72300 Mower Wages		5,142.50	-100.00 %
72500 Payroll Expenses	930.65	816.92	13.92 %
Total 72000 Salary and Wage Expenses	11,577.78	17,834.26	-35.08 %
74000 Promotion and Awards			
74100 AAT Promotion		112.67	-100.00 %
74200 Awards and Gifts	80.00	356.33	-77.55 %
Total 74000 Promotion and Awards	80.00	469.00	-82.94 %

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Statement of Activity

July - September, 2022

	TOTAL		
	JUL - SEP, 2022	JUL - SEP, 2021 (PY)	% CHANGE
75000 Contract Services			
75200 Accounting Fees	675.00	450.00	50.00 %
75800 Investment Fees	148.60	21.66	586.06 %
75900 Contract Services - Other	7,632.15	12,435.00	-38.62 %
Total 75000 Contract Services	8,455.75	12,906.66	-34.49 %
81000 Nonpersonnel Expenses			
81100 Office Supplies	108.56	61.11	77.65 %
81300 Computer and IT			
81320 Hardware & Software	489.84	332.21	47.45 %
81390 IT Subscriptions	1,046.88	1,214.66	-13.81 %
Total 81300 Computer and IT	1,536.72	1,546.87	-0.66 %
81400 Postage & Shipping	116.96	217.82	-46.30 %
81700 Printing	50.39		
Total 81000 Nonpersonnel Expenses	1,812.63	1,825.80	-0.72 %
82000 Facilities Expenses			
82200 Utilities	228.10	327.69	-30.39 %
82300 Telecommunications	199.16	314.68	-36.71 %
Total 82000 Facilities Expenses	427.26	642.37	-33.49 %
85000 Other Expenses			
85500 Insurance	3,641.48	4,583.43	-20.55 %
Total 85000 Other Expenses	3,641.48	4,583.43	-20.55 %
86000 Other Business Expenses			
86700 Organizational Expenses	21.25	11.25	88.89 %
Total 86000 Other Business Expenses	21.25	11.25	88.89 %
87000 Special Events Expenses			
87020 Work Outings Cash Out	253.30	36.17	600.30 %
87030 Challenge Hike Cash Out	2,890.15	620.00	366.15 %
87035 Devil's Toll Race Cash Out	1,587.75	1,738.00	-8.64 %
87040 3-Legged Monster Race Cash Out	5,904.10	3,746.42	57.59 %
Total 87000 Special Events Expenses	10,635.30	6,140.59	73.20 %
88000 Tools and Equipment			
88100 Fuel	423.69	940.80	-54.96 %
88200 Maintenance	262.31	397.66	-34.04 %
88300 Repairs	83.28	52.00	60.15 %
88400 Tool and Equip Purchases	768.14	70.00	997.34 %
88600 Safety	204.96		
88700 Signage	1,759.60		
88800 Kitchen Supplies	414.82		
Total 88000 Tools and Equipment	3,916.80	1,460.46	168.19 %

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July - September, 2022

	TOTAL		
	JUL - SEP, 2022	JUL - SEP, 2021 (PY)	% CHANGE
Unapplied Cash Bill Payment Expenditure		0.00	
Total Expenditures	\$40,568.25	\$45,873.82	-11.57 %
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -1,497.36	\$ -15,129.21	90.10 %
Other Revenue			
60000 Other Revenue			
61000 Endowment Fund			
61300 Interest and Dividends Earned	183.41	13.82	1,227.13 %
Total 61000 Endowment Fund	183.41	13.82	1,227.13 %
Total 60000 Other Revenue	183.41	13.82	1,227.13 %
Total Other Revenue	\$183.41	\$13.82	1,227.13 %
NET OTHER REVENUE	\$183.41	\$13.82	1,227.13 %
NET REVENUE	\$ -1,313.95	\$ -15,115.39	91.31 %

Attachment 2 – Chief Operating Officer Report

COO Report
November 8th • Abi Jackson
3rd Quarter 2022

1. MAINTENANCE

- *USFS Collaboration*
 - *Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA) Agreement (deferred maintenance)*

Met with key partners, prepared and submitted multiple monthly invoices, quarterly financial reports and progress reports.

2. PROMOTION

- *Website*

Met with the website team to develop site improvements and made updates as needed.
- *3 Legged Monster*

Attended multiple planning meetings with event committee, created race logo, purchased event insurance. Promoted the event on social media and within the Facebook group, and arranged cross-promotion with Mark Grumke, Miner Tough Weekend RD. Ordered race bibs and event swag, created sponsor poster, created sponsor backdrop, and printed waivers and maps. Visited race site to make event arrangements with Julie Bass. Created check-in and finish time sheets, sent sponsor acknowledgments, and posted final race times. Created and sent post-race survey to participants. Calculated event financials. Attended event on August 20th.
- *Devil's Toll Race*

Completed and submitted MO Department of Conservation permit application, designed and ordered finisher patches, and submitted insurance certificate.
- *Social Media*

Created monthly membership promotional graphics and welcome graphics highlighting new and renewing members for social media, promoted upcoming events and made posts regularly. Created Mega Save the Date graphic.

3. FUNDRAISING

- *Membership*

Mailed new member kits, manually entered check payments, mailed life member certificates, sent donation acknowledgements, and mailed letters to lapsed members.
- *Merchandise*

Filled and mailed merchandise and map orders weekly. Ordered and managed inventory.
- *2022 OT Challenge Hike & Float*

Continued collaboration with Garrett Doak, director, on organizing the 2022 event. Continuously updated and shared sponsor graphic, designed sponsor sign, prepared and sent graphics to printer for merchandise and banners. Processed credit card payments and sent sponsor thank yous. Updated 2023 sponsor and informational forms. Calculated event financials. Attended event on September 10th. Submitted 2023 special use permit applications to DNR and NPS.
- *Grants*
 - Submitted 2021 LAD grant report.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE

- *Accounting*
 - *Bookkeeping:* Entered second quarter banking information into Quickbooks. All payables, receivables and deposits have been tracked and coded to the appropriate categories in the chart of accounts and there are detailed and organized electronic files of all documents.

- 990: Ran and printed appropriate Quickbooks reports for accountant and forwarded the 990 for review by the treasurer.
- Completed annual payroll audit.
- *Corporate Registration*
 - Completed annual renewal with the Missouri Secretary of State.
- *Miscellaneous Additional Collaboration*
 - Met with OTA President and Membership Coordinator regularly.
 - During weekends and evenings, attended the Q3 2022 Board Meeting, 20th anniversary meeting, website meeting, staff meeting, and multiple 3-Legged Monster meetings. Also attended the 3-Legged Monster Race, Challenge Hike & Float, fall Mega Event, and Devil's Toll Race.

All other general and miscellaneous office duties have also been completed during this time.

Attachment 3 – Trail Planning and Development Report



Report to the Board of Directors **Trail Planning and Development Committee** **Prepared By: Jim Schneider**

A. The Trail Planning and Development Committee’s strategy to guide our efforts

Workstream 1 – Build the on-line trail map and planned trail corridor(s)

- Renew license with ARC GIS Online to support trail corridor planning and trail building efforts
- Download GIS parcel / land ownership data for every county along the current and proposed trail corridors and upload to OTA trail map.
- Upload current trail routes based on GIS data
- Document proposed new trails
- Create online database to document efforts on each parcel for the proposed trail corridor(s)
- Update database with work completed to date

Workstream 2- Engage Community Leaders

- Create a data base / file to community leaders and engagement activity
- Update with appropriate contact names and contact information
- Develop schedule to reach out and establish appropriate meetings to discuss our vision and plans
- Determine approach for OTC communication and engagement

Workstream 3 – Build foundation for property /trail rights acquisition and protection

- Establish relationships with land trust organizations to partner with the OTA
- Ramp up relationships with private foundations and corporations to support funding of land acquisition / trail rights.
- Determine fit and strategy, next steps for water and road trails
- Develop landowner engagement strategy and documentation

B. Arc GIS Trail Mapping

- a. Completed efforts to renew and expand our ARC GIS licenses. We have 2 creator licenses and 1 viewer license active for a \$250 annual fee.
- b. The goal is to develop a complete picture of the landowners for the existing trail and gap corridors. Once developed we will use this as the foundation for our committee efforts in our work with the landowners along the gap corridors.
- c. Kayla Brinkley has begun our trail mapping efforts. She has downloaded the existing trail map. She has also begun downloading free parcel files from counties that provide this for no cost. Committee chair has submitted a request to spend \$1200 to acquire county parcel maps.

C. Partner Outreach Efforts Summary:

See OTA External Partners.doc for a complete summary of efforts to date

D. Outdoors Alliance / River City Outdoors

Attended the Outdoors Foundation / Thrive Outside/ St Louis River City Outdoors first partner event on Oct 12. My goal for attending this session include:

- 1. Further expansion of network and contacts.
- 2. Potential funding source for trail construction and/or property acquisition
- 3. Contact Great River Greenways representatives to further discuss partnership and strategy. Mark Vogel / Program Manager and plan to meet on Oct 20.

Met with Mark Vogel / Program Manager and Great Rivers Greenway to discuss collaboration with OTA. Following are the highlights:

- We discussed the concept of the OT co-branded on a GRG trail that would extend to the Mississippi River. He was not aware of this concept but was not opposed to it. There are several GRG trails that are co-branded (e.g., Grant’s Trail). We discussed signage standards, updating on-line maps, and promoting the trail. As a next step, Mark is going to follow up with GRG leadership to get feedback on this topic.
- The second topic we discussed was the connection between the GRG and the OT at Pacific. Mark explained that GRG has not experienced much support for the Western Area of the GRG. The GRG planning committee is going to be conducting some alternative alignment planning that may result in a re-route away from Pacific. We also discussed how that could impact our route planning efforts as well. Mark did indicate that the GRG places an emphasis on being able to connect with other, larger trail networks. We need to discuss how this impacts our planning efforts and alternatives.

- We agreed to get to touch base in a few weeks and follow-up on action times

Ozark Trail Association – Trail Planning and Development External Partner Overview

Partner	Contact s	Comments / Status
Nature Conservancy	Holly Neill	<p>Met with Holly Neill, Deputy Director with the Nature Conservancy of Missouri. Holly.Neill@tnc.org Phone 417-827-4864</p> <p>We discussed the mission of the OTA and our trail building efforts and discussed how we could partner to assist our efforts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their conservation priorities for Missouri include the Current River watershed. • She sent me a map of their owned properties in Missouri that are near our trail and the boundaries of the Current River conservation /watershed priority area. • If the OT corridor would be within their Current River conservation focus area, we could potentially partner with the NC to fund trail acquisition rights (easement / purchase). • They have a revolving fund whereby they acquire property, attach an easement and resell property (generally at a loss) and maintain the easement.
Ozark Land Trust	Larry Levin Nic Rogers	<p>Met with Larry Levin and Nic Rogers with the Ozark Land Trust (OLT) to discuss our efforts to expand the trail and how they might be able to partner and support our efforts. Their website: https://ozarklandtrust.org/</p> <p>From our conversation it appears to me that they are willing and eager to support our efforts as long as it aligns with their mission to support property conservation. For example, if we need to acquire a parcel of land to construct a trail, they could possibly support the acquisition of the parcel or secure a conservation easement.</p> <p>Larry suggested that we put together a working group of interested organizations to assist our efforts. This could include organizations such as the Ozark Land Trust, the Conservation Fund and the Nature Conservancy. I think this is a great idea and a topic for our next committee meeting.</p>

		He also indicated there may be properties / parcels in our future trail corridors that are of interest to the OLT that are of particular interest that they would support. So as we identify trail corridors and parcels we should share this information with them
Land for Public Trust	JT Horn	<p>June 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met with JT Horn / Senior Project Manager @ Trust for Public Land • Website: https://www.tpl.org/ • They love working with trail groups and partnering with trail organizations • Land projection work - if we have a section of private land with a willing seller they can help us with securing the land or right of way and conserve it permanently. • They have worked closely with the National Forest service and we could work together. Process with NFS can take a long time, but they could work with a willing seller to complete acquisitions. • Basically they act as a bridge between the seller and the final owner such as the state forest or local land trusts • They are transaction experts • They have the ability to do sophisticated mapping and help determine where trails might go. • Their expertise is in 2 areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning - it is a lot of what they do. Utilizing digital mapping technology they can identify potential routes. They are “word class map-makers” ○ Acquisition - work with the NFS to get in line and support funding. • I think this approach will be appropriate to identify potential “forever routes” in the current gaps. • They do not have a “pot of money” but have a fee for service arrangement. Could hire them or write and obtain a grant for land acquisition planning and purchase. • I indicated that I would discuss these ideas with the executive committee and determine next steps and get back to him.
The Conservation Fund	Ginny Moore	August 3, 2022 - Thanks for reaching out to me. It’s nice to meet you and learn more about the Ozark Trail Association. OTA’s goal to complete the Ozark Trail is an ambitious but exciting undertaking! I think you are on the right track by reaching out to partners and other conservation organizations to get a sense of the conservation landscape and potential opportunities. I know you

	<p>Kansas State Director Clint Miller Missouri State Director</p>	<p>will enjoy talking with Larry Levins at Ozark Land Trust next week. I encourage you to also reach out to Roger Still at the L.A.D. Foundation, especially since the trail currently crosses L.A.D. Foundation land. I've copied him on this email.</p> <p>I will add your name and contact info to the contact list for the Missouri Land Trust Coalition. Please visit MLTC's website to learn more about the Coalition - https://missourilandtrusts.org/. We have land trust members and partner members, and I think it would be a good way for OTA to connect with other conservation organizations in Missouri.</p> <p>Attached is the information about the Missouri Department of Conservation's grant program. I imagine you are not ready at this time to apply for grant funds, but wanted you to know about the program. And I've copied my colleague Clint Miller, who is the Missouri State Director for The Conservation Fund, on this email. Please feel free to reach out to both of us in the future. Note - details on Land Conservation Partnership Grant - Conservation Easement Assistance Program Application is uploaded to the shared files</p> <p>Scheduled meeting with The Conservation Fund - Ginny Moore Kansas State Director & Clint Miller, Central Midwest Regional Director to discuss partnership opportunities Website: conservationfund.org</p> <p>Previous projects include purchase of land near Johnson Shut Ins and Bell Mountain: https://www.conservationfund.org/where-we-work/missouri "With this purchase and gift of scenic wilderness, the Richard King Mellon Foundation added some of the most rugged land in Missouri to Johnson's Shut-Ins State Park. The land, now the Goggins Mountain Wild Area, is covered in thick forests broken by rocky glades. Nine miles of the Ozark Trail run through the property, which links the state park to the US Forest Service's Bell Mountain Wilderness Area</p>
<p>Outdoor Industry Association / Outdoor Foundation /</p>	<p>Rachel Bartels</p>	<p>August 2022 Received an invitation to attend an event hosted by River City Outdoors / Thrive Outside on Oct 12. "This is the first of its kind event for all our esteemed River City Partners. we are happy and excited to invite you to our first ever convening of partners. This event is an informal get-together of all our partners and a time for you to hear a little more about RCO</p>

<p>River City Outdoors - St Louis Thrive Outside Initiative</p>		<p>and how we can support you, there will be space for you to ask questions and network with other partners.”</p> <p>January 2022 - Completed phone call conversation with Rachel Bartels @ Thrive Outside:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed opportunity to connect with partners and leverage OT as a resource and expand outdoor recreation activity and overall awareness of the OT. • Discussed opportunity to partner with Great Rivers Greenway more actively to promote long term vision and partner on activities • Rachel indicated that the organization is going through a strategic planning exercise over the next several weeks. Thrive Outside organization is looking to hire someone to coordinate their activities. • She had recent conversations with Great Rivers Greenway about partnerships. • Sometime in mid-Feb, they are going to work to bring members of the community together. One of the things they are going to discuss is how to invest \$300K (over 3years) grant from the Outdoors Foundation. She will invite me to participate in this effort. • They will need to secure matching funds • Looking to build a culture to address underserved communities and break down barriers. <p>This looks like a good opportunity to continue to build and expand our network and potential opportunity for more membership and potential OTA leaders.</p> <p>As a reminder The Outdoor Foundation’s Thrive Outside Initiative awards multi-year, capacity-building grants to diverse communities to build and strengthen networks that provide children and families with repeat and reinforcing experiences in the outdoors. This community-led initiative is built with trusted local and national partners and is supported by three years of funding. Link their website: https://outdoorindustry.org/participation/thrive-outside/</p>



Report to the Board of Directors 2022 Q4 OTA Construction and Maintenance Report Prepared By: Terry Hawn

We have established the entire 2022 Calendar year maintenance and construction schedule. That was done in conjunction with the 5 yr. schedule and high-level C&M 5 yr. plan submitted back in August 2021.

Between Jan – Oct 2022

- there were 31 OT Maintenance events including the Spring Mega, Spring Winona, Fall Mega, Fall Winona events, 8 AmeriCorps events
- 6 OT-OHT events scheduled (3 canceled due to weather)
- 12 Out Reach Events scheduled – (2 canceled due to weather), including Alpine Shop Pint Night in Kirkwood, Backpacker Get Out Event on Taum Sauk, REI Town and Country Grand Opening weekend
- OTA Crew Leader Training in Potosi
- OTA-AmeriCorps Crew Leader Training at CRSP

We have another 7 Scheduled Maintenance Events for the fall between Nov 1- December 17th ,which includes 2 OT-OHT Builds, at least 1 AmeriCorps 10-day crew performing GAO tread rehab and 4 events scheduled for which maintenance will be performed as needed,

We still have a very robust list of Ozark Trail enhancement projects using GAOA grant from the USFS. These projects include:

- Karkaghne Project #3 K5a – tread re-hab West of Big Nasty on Little Nasty – approx. 1.5 mile **** (this has actually started with the first 750 ft south of Bee-Fork completed 5/22)
- Blair Creek Project #1 BC3 – move trail out of drainage areas
- Blair Creek Project #2 BC5 – rehab hillside tread that is virtually gone – approx. 500 ft
- Current River Project #1 CR3a – rehab trail tread on north side of Stegal Mtn .25 mile
- Current River Project #2 CR10 – Fix steep ascent via boulder drainage at highway 60 underpass
- Courtois – Project #3 – Between Hwy 8 /Lost Creek and Gobblers Knob Rd at mile marker 36-38
- Courtois – Project #4 – Mile 39.7 between FS RD 2591 and 2267 .75 mile of tread rehab

- Courtois – Project #5 – Re-route just west of 2nd crossing – move trail out of drainage area and up on hillside – will require NEPA.
- Courtois – Project #7 – Repair trail between Hazel Creek to Snapps Branch then to FS RD 2698 – 3 miles
- Trace Creek – Project #1 – Tread repair between Pine Branch and Delbridge rd. - .25 mile
- Trace Creek Project #2 - Spur to CBL -
- Trace Creek Project #3 - Peter Cave Hollow to gravel road -mile 23-24– hillside tread repair
- Trace Creek Project #4 – Tread rehab between MM 4.5 – 5 just north of Hwy C
- 11 Pt Project #3 EP10 – re-route east of Bochman Springs
- Norfolk Project #1 – re-route off of CTY RD AP
- Norfolk Project #2 – NF4a – fix hillside tread erosion
- Taum Sauk – TS11 – reroute around private land
- Council Bluff CBL - move tread up the hill away from flooding cove for .25 miles

- New trailheads and spurs
 - 11 Pt -Project #4 EP10 – move western TH to Bannister Rd (Cty Rd 430) and build out 1 mile of new trail
 - New Harmon Springs Spur to new trailhead being built by USFS on Floyd Tower Road –o s The USFS has already allocated \$11,000 funding for next Oct 2023 for the spur.
 - Victory TH move out closer to highway to help close the gap a bit closer
 - Victory – move trail off of private property. New survey showed trail was farther into private property than previously thought
 - Wappapello Southern Trailhead move to USFS land and off private drive

Non – GAOA Trail work

- June 2022 was all about clearing the trail down south and up north. Work was done several of normal hot spots on the Courtois, Karkaghne, Trace Creek, Blair Creek, Current River, Between The Rivers and 1 Pt sections in conjunction with AmeriCorps-ERT teams and OTA volunteers.
- We have purchased the following new equipment using donations from OTA supporters and GAOA funding
 - DR walk behind weed eater
 - 2 Stihl FS91R weed eaters
 - 7 Pulaski’s
 - 5 Rogue Travis Tools
 - 3 Hazel Hoes
- We have repaired our older Stihl weed eaters and now have 9 weed eaters available for use and loan out to Adopters and volunteers – equipment has been loaned to

adopters in Winona, bikers for One Eyed Dog event, and OT100 Endurance Run volunteers

- We have added a lightweight Echo Arborist chainsaw to provide easier sawing for smaller in stature sawyers
- Purchased new OTA Canopy to replaced damaged canopy at Spring 2022 Mega.
- We plan on adding or updating the Kiosks at each trail head as well as improving signage at all trail heads and secondary trail access points. We have purchased wood and supplies to build several new kiosks and signs for placement at various trailheads across the 435 miles of the Ozark Trail system.

Connecting the OT-OHT – Build down south

- We will be putting in place an outreach program of some kind to solicit donations to support the Build down south. we may need the help of the Outreach and financial teams.

2023 Schedule of Events

2023 Event Calendar (updated as of 6/25/2021)

*** (Additional OT-OHT Build Calendar)

Sat 12/31/22 - Last Day Hike Event

Su Jan 1 2023 - First Day Hike Event

Sa Jan 7 - TBD

Sa Jan 14 - OTA Board Mtg –

Fri-Sun 01/20-22- OT-OHT Trail Build – In Udall, Mo

TH 01/26 - Jeff City Lobby Day

Sun 01/28 - OT Maint TBD

Sa 02/04 - ??? Trivia Night

Su 02/05 - Super Bowl Sunday – Maint on the OT

Sa 02/11 - Trivia Night

Fri-Sun 02/11-13 - OT-OHT Build - UDALL

Fri -Sun 02/17-19 - Time for The Ladies –Round Springs- Timber Fire Dept Chili and Pie Auction

Sa 02/25 - Maint on the OT

Th 03/02 - OT Council Meeting – Zoom

Sa 03/04 - Maint OT - North

Fri-Sun 03/10-03/12 - OT-OHT Udall Build

Daylight Savings Time change

St Patrick's Day

Fri Mar 17

Fri-Th 03/17-22 - “Luck of the Irish” at Winona – working Current River, BTR and Eleven Point

Sa-Su Mar 25-26 - TBD

Sat-Sun 04/01 - Maint on the North - Sutton Bluff - Karkahgne

Fri-Su 04/07-09 - Maintenance on the Trail
 - Build OT-OHT Build
 Sun 04/02 - Psalm Sunday

 Fri-Sun 04/08 - Maint on OT TBD
 Tu 04/11 - OTA Board Mtg
 FRI - 04/14 - Spring Mega Prep
 Sa 04/14-16 - Spring Mega. South – OT/OHT Connection Or Hazel Creek- Snap Branch
 Fri -4/28-30 - OT Challenge
 TH 05/04-07 - Junior Ranger Day – Round Springs – Place Holder – TBD
 Sa May 10 - Celebrating Mom on the OT
 SUN 05/14 - MOTHER'S DAY
 Sa May 20-22* - Friends and Family
 Sa 05/27 - OT Maint
 Mon May 29 - Memorial Day
 Sa 06/01 - National Trails Day observed TBA
 Fri 06/09
 Sa 06/10 - Devil's TollGate
 Sa June 17
 Su June 24
 Sa July 1`
 Sa July 8
 Sa July 15
 Sa July 22
 Sa July 29
 Sa Aug 5
 Sa Aug 12
 Sa Aug 15 - OTA-OTC Meeting – Zoom
 W-Th Aug 23-24 - Prep for 3-LM Race
 Fri-Sun Aug 25-26 - 3-Legged Monster Race – BASS
 Sa Sept 2-3 - Labor on the OT
 Mon Sept 4 - Labor Day
 Fri-Sun Sept 8-10 - TBD - OT-OHT Build
 Fri-Sun Sept 16-17* - MTB Maint Council Bluff or Berryman. – Maybe OTSHAB Maint Day
 W-Fri Sept 20-21 - MTB Prep
 Sa Sept 23 - One Eyed Dog 50/100 MTB Race – Council Bluff
 W-Th - Oct 4-5- Fall Mega Prep
 Fr-Sun Oct 6-7 - Fall Mega -- OTA 20th Anniversary
 Fr - 10/13 - Mississippi Valley Outdoor Expo
 - OT-OHT Build
 Fri 10/21-22 - Maint on OT - TBD
 Fri-Wed Oct 27-01 - Whoopin It Up in Winona Extended work week art Winona
 Fri Nov 02-03 - 100 Endurance Race Maintenance and Prep\\\\\\\\\\
 Sa-Sun Nov 03-04- OT100M ER Aid Stations

Sa-Sun 11/10-12 - MTB Maint Council Bluff or Berryman. – Maybe OTSHAB Maint Day
- OT-OTH Udall Build

Daylight Savings Time ends

Nov 1-Dec 14 – Potential for Americorp-NCCC crew to work on GAOA OT tread rehab

Sa 11/12 - Deer Season begins

Sa Nov 14 - OTA Board Meeting - Zoom

Sa 11/17-19 - OT-OHT Build Udall

Thurs 11/23 - Thanksgiving

Sat 11/25-26 - The 3 “F”s maintenance event

Tue Dec 4 - #GivingTuesday

Fri-Sun 12/01-03- OT-OHT Build Udall

Sa 12/09 - GAOA Day on the OT

Sa Dec 16 - Holiday Maintenance

Mon Dec 25 - Christmas

Su Dec 31/2023 - End of Year Hike

Mon Jan 1/2024 - First Year Hike

Attachment 5 – Membership Report



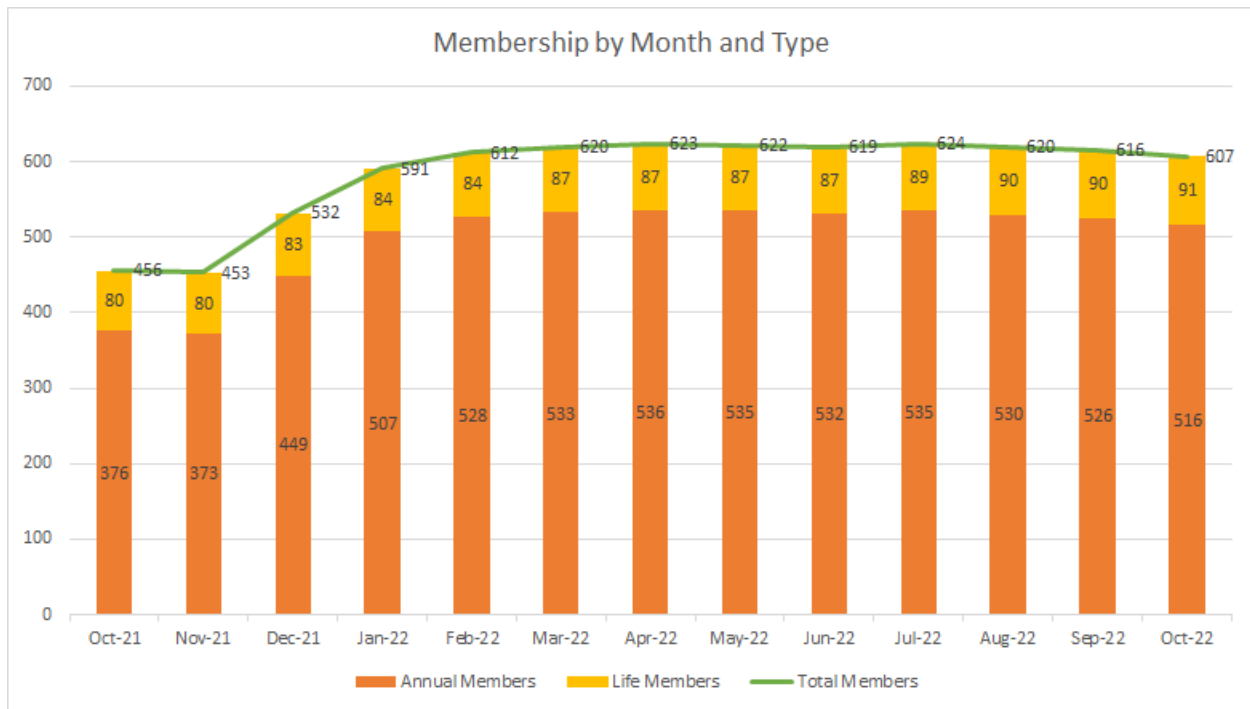
Report to the Board of Directors

Membership Coordinator Update

Prepared By: Garret Doak

October 2022 Membership Counts

- TOTAL Members: 607 (-9 😞)
 - Annual Members: 516 (-10 😞)
 - Lifetime Members: 91



October Membership Activity

- New Members: 5
- Renewing Members: 36 (😊)
- Expired (Lost) Members: 16 (😞)

November Membership Activity

- Already renewed: 4
- Need to Renew: 33 (!!!)
 - Of the 33, 13 are auto-renew
 - Of the 33, 20 are first-year members

October Coordinator Activity

- Sent reminder and 'please come back' emails to September and October expired members.
- As of October 31, 2022, the OTA generated \$17,600 in net membership fees, against a 2022 year-end budget of \$20,000



Report to the Board of Directors

20th Anniversary Committee

Prepared By: Jeff Goetter

The 20th anniversary of the association is Monday, December 12, 2022.

Committee Members

- Jeff Goetter
- Terry Hawn
- Garrett Doak
- Kitty Dooling
- Kathie Brennan
- Abi Jackson
- Steve Liescheidt (contributor)

The committee held a kickoff meeting on September 27, 2022, and made the following plans

- A Facebook campaign will kick off on December 12 and will feature throwback posts of different happenings from the last 20 years
- A banquet will be held at the Bass River Resort's Event Center on Saturday, March 11, 2023
 - Event center will cost us \$500
 - Looking into the cost to have Bass cater the event for us (BBQ Chicken & Pork Steak Meal)
 - Plan is to charge for the dinner, pricing will be determined once we have catering costs
 - Lodging options will be left to the attendees
 - We will offer a small maintenance event neat Bass that same day

Research is being done to try to contact some of the older founders and other key people from the past and present to send personal invites to the banquet

Would like input from the board on how much we can budget for the event in the 2023 budget,