



Lake Don Pedro Trailblazers

February 17, 2011

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Terrie Booten

Monica Fay

Christina Hansen

George & Fritzi Killian

Eric Forester

Dave & Andrea Reynolds

Brenda Nathaniel

Steve Alexander

Vicki Eiland

LDPOA representation: not present

Cash Donations at meeting: \$0

Calendar Updates:

- Next Meeting: March 17th, in LDP High School Multi Purpose Room
- Upcoming Trail Work Days: February 26 (for future dates refer to website) – note work days were changed back to the first and third Saturday of each month.

Old Business

- Treasurer's report:
 - LDPOA has agreed to give the Trailblazers a clearing acct. for donations and expenses. Monica explained that we now have this acct. so that any monies we generate or receive will be deposited into this account and we can pull it out at any time. Monica will manage the account. Should any one wish to make a donation to the group, please have them make their checks out to **LDPOA** and on the memo line put **Trailblazers**.
- Update on kiosks: Donation Flyers have been developed and distributed. The info has also been put on the web site under GOALS FOR 2011. We had a number of monetary donations and materials donations. Our thanks to those who have donated. We still need lumber donated in order to get the kiosk started. Please post flyers at work, at school, or where ever you can in order to help us meet our material needs.
- Mapping of streets: Terrie and Ron Hunt met with Tuolumne Co. 2 wks ago. 10 locations in T-2 were agreed on to mark with warning signs provided by Tuolumne Co. for trail crossings. Also discussed was potentially linking trails in T-3 thru a new subdivision down to the lake. More discussions will occur in the near future on this prospect.
- Trail Names – Terrie provided Dave Reynolds with the spreadsheet Jane Cloud started so that he can get the trail names overlaid on the maps then we can get ready to sell them.

- Website Update:
 - The links page is currently empty as Eric has not had a chance to approach local businesses.
 - The Links page will include verbiage stating “**The LDP Trailblazers do not endorse any of the advertisers**”
 - Any checks that we receive for advertizing on our web site will be made out to LDPOA and will be deposited using the line item discussed above in the Treasurers report.
 - Any time you ride or hike the trails, please log your time in the ride time log. This is helpful to show that we ARE using these trails.
- Burn piles: Joyce Hunt is continuing to burn any piles left by trail clean up crews.
- Work Parties: Terrie has changed the work days back to the first and third Saturday for the next 3 months to get as many trails cleared and marked before the hot weather shows up.
 - T-2 maps were handed out showing the progress that we have made clearing & marking trails in that unit. GREAT JOB EVERYONE!
 - Check the website for the dates and locations of the upcoming work parties.
- Public Relations Update: Brenda
 - Discussed Spring Hike & Ride day: broaden the event to a community faire, fundraiser (photos of riders), Kim O’Mara can work on donated paper goods.
 - LDPOA will hopefully provide the money for food, playground installation
 - Trailblazers will do park clean up on April 16th.
 - Brenda is contacting several local artists, service organizations to set up booths
 - Lions Club will provide a bounce house to set up near the playground area.
 - Brenda has also sent out a number of thank you notes to those who have donated money toward the kiosks.
 - Merced Star newspaper will be doing an article on us. The reporter wants to come out and ride the trails to add to his article. Will do a spring ride. Also a Mariposa Gazzette reporter has contacted us and wants to do an article and will attend a work party to take pictures for her article.
- Trail Violations: Terrie said that she has been working with Mariposa Co. on several violations on Jalapa and they are making progress. A policy to handle violations handed off from the Owners Association has been developed so if you come across a violation in the easements, please fill out the investigation form for the Owners Assoc. and it will be handled as quickly as possible. If you don’t report it, the O.A. won’t act on verbal complaints.
Note: Your complaint is kept **confidential**.

New Business

- Goals for 2011:
 - Budget requests have been submitted to both counties and to the Owners Association for future improvements to parks and supplies for marking the trails.
 - Locations for park & ride areas – Terrie & Ron took a look at some locations to use as park & ride areas that would take minimal effort and money.
 - Violeta Park will not be considered at this time. Terrie completed the Fish & Game application that will be required along with a \$200 fee to review plans for this park as many culverts would be needed for access to the park area.
 - Lozano Park has great potential. Some minor grading, road base, new sign, fix the picnic table and clean the BBQ on site, this could be used immediately.

- Paraiso Park (on Ranchito) also has great potential. We will concentrate on this park first since Mariposa Mt. Riders are willing to give a monetary contribution toward a kiosk as well as Merced Horsemen's Club who may also provide labor in working on the park. Terrie will go before the CSD and the OA to get their buy in for a group effort to make this a great park and ride area for the south side of the subdivision. Terrie will be buying a picnic table frame from DP Recreation Agency and fix it up to be placed at that location.
- Embroidered Clothing: Vicki
 - Vicki has some costs for getting our logo embroidered on vests, jackets, shirts, hats. Folks can pick what clothing they would like to have embroidered and advise Vicki who will mass order and have the clothing embroidered. See www.SanMar.com to choose your clothing/hats/jackets/etc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Volunteer hours for January – 102
- Many horse club activities coming up – See Manteca Horse Club, OPRC web site
- Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.