



# TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

HONEY CREEK POCKET WILDERNESS

OCT. 23, 1971

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Hiwassee Land Company held a dedication hike in their Honey Creek Pocket Wilderness Area Oct. 23, 1971 to which all TTA members were invited. The response was overwhelming for 190 hikers of TTA and other hiking groups made the five mile trail, even though a light rain was falling. Scenic overlooks, Indian rockhouses and a variation of plant life make the Honey Creek gorge interesting to the hiker. Trails were well constructed and planned so as to take the hiker to all points of interest.

Refreshments were waiting at the end of the trail and each hiker was given a commemorative emblem patch by Hiwassee Land Company.

Following the hike a directors meeting was held at the parking lot. The following officers were present; Pres. Donald Todd, Vice-pres. Bob Brown, and Rec. Sec. Robbie Hassler. One director was present; E.W. Means. Business consisted of the following discussions; the Trails Progress meeting to be held Jan. 8, 1972 which the TTA co-sponsors with the Tenn. State Dept. of Conservation; the dedication ceremonies of the Laurel-Snow National Recreation Trail, which is to be co-sponsored with Bowaters Southern Paper Corp and is to be on Nov. 13 at 9:30 A.M. EST; and the TTA annual meeting at Cumberland State Park Dec. 11 at 10:00 A.M. CST. Stan Murray, chairman of the ATC was to be contacted as a possible speaker for this meeting. A nominating committee consisting of Ed Casey, Carl Leathers and Dick Wooten was named by Pres. Todd to present to the annual meeting a slate of candidates for nomination and/or election for the year 1972.

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A report was given by Pres. Todd on the National Trails Symposium (which was chaired by him) held last June in Washington, D.C., with comments by ATC chairman Stanley Murray. Pres. Todd stated the meeting was a success, with a likelihood of a follow-up meeting next year. He also gave a report on Bowaters Laurel-Snow National Trail dedication ceremony.

Bob Brown proposed the Trails Progress Meeting, mentioned in the October meeting, be held February 19, 1972 at Cumberland Mountain State Park, instead of January 8th as originally planned. Invitations are to be sent to the following groups: ATC, Tennessee Conservation Department, Farm Bureau, Heads of BSA, TVA, Bowater Hiking Trails Association, BOR, FFA, Future Homemakers Association, and Outdoor Writer's Association.

President Todd reported that the TCWP offered to take a portion of the CT for maintenance. John McIntyre was asked to attend one of TCWP's meetings and assign them a part of the trail for this purpose. President Todd also reported that a Mr. Oliver of the BSA in Warren County was interested in the progress of the Trail of Tears in that area, and was willing to help; that the Nashville Seirra Club was willing to assume the responsibility for the work on the John Muir Trail in the Rugby area; that the Hiwassee Land company was interested in assuming work on the same trail up the Hiwassee River, taking five miles in 1973 and four miles in 1974, and he thought the Tennessee Forestry Department would take the Tellico Plains area.

The nominating committee represented by Carl Leathers asked that the present Officers be reelected, with one exception - Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer, Susan McIntyre, who asked to be replaced. A motion was made and carried that this be done and the present slate of Officers be elected by acclamation. Roy Hall was re-elected as Director for a term of three years.

President Todd suggested a change in the by-laws to make it easier to change the by-laws, ~~from~~ the two-thirds majority vote of the members present at the Annual Meeting. This change will be subject to a two-thirds vote, as the present law now requires.

A discussion was held concerning maps of hiking trails, including "pocket wilderness trails", TTA constructed trails, State park trails and those private trails

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open to the public, being placed in Tennessee Welcome Stations. This was viewed as a possible future undertaking and expense of the TTA. No action was taken.

At the time of the election of Officers, Mr. Donald Todd Jr. was nominated and elected by acclamation to the office of Corresponding Secretary to replace Mrs. Susan McIntyre.

At a Luncheon following this meeting, Mr. Stan Murray ATC Chairman was the speaker.

A resolution was presented to the meeting by Bob Brown that Paul Adams, of Mt. LeConte fame, be made a life member of the TTA. Mr. Adams, author and outdoor enthusiast, has kept notes on trails since 1918. The resolution was passed.

A suggestion was made by Susan McIntyre that a Historian be appointed to compile a record of TTA events and/or a scrapbook of TTA memorabilia. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Evan Means, that John McIntyre be made a supporting member with no increase in dues, because of his dedicated work in the TTA. Motion was carried.

A total of twenty-five persons, including members, guests and representatives of other organization attended the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes respectfully submitted:

*Mrs. David Hassler*  
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