

**HIRRA Roadside Trails Committee
Annual Report for 2007
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The committee has continued with the construction of the trail alongside St John's Point Road. The length of this new section of trail is about twice as long as normal annual projects so the construction has been spread over two years. The public has been using the trail for a year, so the work being undertaken can be considered to be finalization and refinement.

The funds on hand are sufficient to cover the work on this trail and will also cover the New Library trail project which has been in the community consultation stage during the last part of the year. No new fund raising has been necessary and none has been undertaken.

Work on the St John's Point Road trail has included:

- removal and disposal of brush resulting from the initial construction.
- installation of culverts
- spreading of pit run fill in selected areas to develop a dry firm surface
- As part of the maintenance program, low branches were pruned on the Co-op to Hall section of the Central Road Trail and brambles were cut back at Syzygy and near the Co-op corner.

The five members of the Trails Committee were:

Phil Bailey
Andrew Carmichael
Tom Hayes
Dan Johnson
Charles Western

Eleven other volunteers worked on the trails, including several seasonal residents during the summer work parties. A total of 287 volunteer hours were utilized during 2007.

Signage has been increased to encourage more pedestrians to use the trails, for a safer environment, rather than using the road.