



## OZARK HIGHLANDS TRAIL ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, INC.

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### October 2020 Bulletin

#### From the President

Wonderful fall weather – hiking weather – is finally here. The Board of Directors held a strategic planning retreat at the end of September and a lot of fresh ideas came about. Stay tuned for some exciting new things in the near future.

Maintainers have begun doing their fall maintenance activities. Make sure to thank them if you happen to see them on the trail. Please report any trail obstacles to the Maintenance Coordinator at [ohmaintenance@gmail.com](mailto:ohmaintenance@gmail.com). You can also take a photo with your phone then send that photo. It will contain the gps coordinates of the issue to enable us to pinpoint its location. Better yet, sign up to become a maintainer. We still have sections that need adopting. **Steven Parker, OHTA President**

#### Upcoming Events

The Hare Mountain Hike-In will be held November 7th up on Hare Mountain. This is the OHTA's annual event celebrating the "birthday" of the trail. We will **not** be having a pot-luck as usual, due to Covid-19 concerns; and social distancing will be in order.

The 2nd Razorback Running Revival will also be held November 7th. This ultra-marathon will have runners leaving Lake Fort Smith State Park, running to Potato Knob, back around the Shore's Lake/White Rock Loop and returning to Lake Fort Smith State Park. Volunteers are needed to help staff aid stations along the route and at the start/finish line. Go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/AR/Mountainburg/RazorbackRunningRevival> to volunteer.

CureSearch Ultimate Hike will be conducting another fund raising hike on the Ozark Highlands Trail October 24th. These Ultimate Hike events happen across the country to raise funds for children's cancer research. It's been a few years since they've been on the OHT (I think because it was 14° last time they were here). You can help by sponsoring a hiker to help raise funds, hiking and raising funds yourself, or volunteering to help. Go to <http://www.ultimatehike.org/oht> for more info or to volunteer.

OHTA will be staffing a booth at the Bass Pro Shops Health and Fitness Expo in Springfield, Missouri October 30th and 31st. If you're in the area, drop by and visit.

#### This Month's Zoom Meeting

Join us to learn about Arkansas' newest loop trail, the Pig Trail Loop, from the ones who created it. Fifteen miles of built trail, combined with an 8-mile bushwhack give you a 23-mile loop with fantastic scenery. Click on the link to join at 6:30 pm on Sunday, October 11th. <https://missouristate.zoom.us/j/96215769124>

Meeting ID: 962 1576 9124

Or you can call: (346) 248-7799 from your phone (but you won't see anything).