

Long Distance Trails Crew 2023 Annual Report

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2023 Annual Report Introduction

The Long Distance Trails Crew (LDTC) is an all-volunteer group of women and men who devote time and effort to the betterment of hiking trails in New York & New Jersey, west of the Hudson River, mainly the Appalachian Trail, the Long Path, the Highlands Trail and the Shawangunk Ridge Trail.

As a "crew", the LDTC takes on technical projects involving the design and installation of stairways, crib-walls, drainage features, stepping stones, bridges and treadway.

In 2023, the LDTC was involved with four major projects:

- 1) Completed and opened phase 1 of a relocation of the Appalachian Trail on Surebridge Mountain in Harriman State Park.
- 2) Started phase 2 of a relocation of the Appalachian Trail on Surebridge Mountain in Harriman State Park.
- 3) Refurbished bog bridging on a section of the Appalachian Trail in Kloiber Field.
- 4) Began major reconstruction of the New York Long Path on Tallman Mountain.

Please use the links provided to access photos and videos of each project.

Long Distance Trails Crew

2023 by the Numbers

4 Major Projects Conducted/Completed

60 Trip Work Days

530 Crew ManDays

57 Individual Volunteers

0.35 miles of trail reconstructed

83 stone steps installed

466 square feet of crib-wall built

1048 feet of sidehilled trail constructed

825 feet of Puncheon Repaired

9 blowdowns cleared

2922 Trip Work Hours

767 Travel Hours

713 Admin & Training Hours

4402 Total 2023 ManHours

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Project Summary

Appalachian Trail Relocation, Phase 1

Surebridge Mountain, Harriman State Park



7 trip work days
21 stone steps installed
22 square feet of crib wall built
378 feet of sidehilled trail constructed

611 Total Project ManHours



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Appalachian Trail Relocation phase 1 Pics



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A photograph showing three workers on a steep, rocky slope. They are using ropes and pulleys to move a large, flat stone. The workers are wearing hard hats and safety gear. The background shows more rocks and some trees.

Project Summary

Appalachian Trail Relocation, Phase 2

Surebridge Mountain, Harriman State Park

21 trip work days
30 stone steps installed
247 square feet of crib wall built
621 feet of sidehilled trail constructed

1685 Total Project ManHours



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Appalachian Trail Relocation phase 2 Pics



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Project Summary

Appalachian Trail Bog Bridging repairs Kloiber Field, Monroe NY

7 trip work days
825 feet of puncheon repaired
82 sections rebuilt

620 Total Project ManHours



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Appalachian Trail Kloiber Field Pics



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Project Summary

Rehabilitating a section of the New York Long Path on Tallman Mountain

25 trip work days

32 stone steps installed

197 square feet of crib wall built

49 feet of sidehilled constructed

1486 Total Project ManHours



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New York Long Path on Tallman Mtn. pics



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