



# WMTA Gazette

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<b>7pm-Meeting Dates</b>	*
<i>May 13 , July 15 &amp; Sept.16 (CampRotary)</i>	

## WMTA Work Bees

<b>May 16</b>	Sunday	10
<b>June 5</b>	Saturday	A.
<b>July 24</b>	Saturday	M.
<b>Sept. 11</b>	Saturday	
TBD-Mowing schedule		

**More step-up blocks to be added on the trail!**



## From The Trail Head by Dennis Tipsword

Don Potter & James Bresciami have been huge supporters of the equine trails at Wolcott. We owe a lot to Don and Jim, who have recently retired from the park. They helped a horse community by promoting the ideas of the trails to both the Metropark and Ray Township. They supported our every move and pretty much let us move forward blazing ten miles of rustic trail, and to that we are grateful. I look forward to meeting their replacements this year. We will strive to develop long lasting relationships and mutual stewardship of the equestrian trails.



This year, we will construct two "thinking man's" obstacles. It's a small challenge to hone your horses skills, (if you are so inclined). Also, several marker posts need to be replaced and repainted. Many of the trail signs are tired and faded. We need to trim back the overhanging branches that are in the way. Of course, there is the never-ending task of keeping the trail mowed. In addition, we need to construct two new mounting stations.

This sounds like a broken record, but we cannot keep depending on the same volunteers to do the work. This year we are begging you to spend time helping out to maintain this trail. 4H groups, community service groups, healthy, working-minded volunteers. Three hours here, and three hours there can add up to a nice prize. Yes, prizes! (See the WANTED section on the next page.) We can "russle" up some lunch at each workbee. Make it a work and lunch day. Not exactly a new idea. It was tried once, and anyone who came to work that day liked it. But, here again, we need someone to make a food run. It is all about volunteers for even the light duty, making the workbees successful and enjoyable for anyone doing the grunt work. Dale Steele & Dennis Tipsword will be happy to fit you into a light duty slot: tacking up post signs, etc.

Right now, this trail is all the riders have in Macomb County, that is, officially. Wolcott trail is **exclusive** to equestrian activities, and we need to work at keeping it groomed. Let's face it, some of us are getting long-in-the-tooth, and are finding it hard to maintain good physical health. Thank God for good therapy clinics! Marilyn Steele is on standby to mend your aches and pains!

See you on the trail!