Arizona Trail Association Volunteer Program Report

07/2021 - 9/2021

Volunteer Hours Reported: 2584

Volunteers Engaged: 136

This summer was a quiet time for volunteerism on the trail. A record-breaking monsoon season kept many volunteers at home throughout July and August. However, it set us up for an EPIC fall. Widespread vegetation growth and pent-up demand for social activities have combined to a perfect storm for late September through early November. Watch us go!

Key Events and Programs:

Trail Skills Institute Video Series Update: All videos are available on the ATA's Youtube channel as well as the <u>ATA Webpage</u>. Eight people have completed the Certificate Program which involves <u>watching</u> all eight videos and completing a simple quiz at the end. A few anecdotal quotes from the Training Evaluation Form:

"Perfect for new volunteers to use before attending events." "Loved the examples on the trail!"

"Just keep them coming!" "Quizzes could be either longer or harder."

New Stewards:

Forrest Radarian	37a	Grand Canyon South Rim (taking on a second segment!)
Joe Zelman	31b	Walnut Canyon
Leif Abrell	14b	Black Hills

ATA Hosted Events

<u>Passage work events</u>: July 31 – Passage 34; August 29 – Passage 28; Sept 11 – Passage 7; Sept 18 – Passage 11c (Wilderness Bypass); August 27-30 – Passage 40

Outreach Events: (they're back!) Flagstaff: Art in the Park Sept 4-6, Fire on the Rim Sept 18

<u>Trail Skills Institute:</u> Module 3 Stone Work – August 28-29; Module 6 Obliteration (first offering) – September 18-19; (upcoming) 3 more classes in 2021, all sold out!



Searching for the AZT on Passage 21



Volunteer CAN build rock structures!



Trail Obliteration on the San Francisco Peaks