MAY 2026 SUSQUEHANNOCK TRAIL CLUB MINUTES

The May 2026 Meeting was held on Saturday, May 16 at the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum in Ulysses Township, PA. A dish to pass lunch began at noon followed by a business meeting at 1:00 pm. There were 25 members in attendance: President Wanda Shirk, John Zimmer, Lori Szymanik-Oliver, Susie Gribble, Barb Miller, Helen Bernhardy, Barbara Allis, Joe Allis, Jayne K. Fitzgerald, Sherry Zurlo, Alice Buchanan, Gary Buchanan, Curt Weinhold, Henry Fuller, Ron Heath, Bill Boyd, Janet Smith, Lois Morey, Pat Childs, Terry Holtzapple, Elva Holtzapple, Larry Holtzapple, Chris Bell, Paul Fedalen, Rick Nelson

and one guest: Jeremy Fitzgerald

Following a dish-to-pass lunch, President Wanda Shirk called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. April meeting minutes were read by Lori Szymanik-Oliver. John Zimmer made a motion to accept the minutes. Susie Gribble seconded the motion. Minutes adopted unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT FROM by Jay Stuckey:

BEGINNING CASH (as of 3/31/26)			$4,204.93
DEPOSITS			$973.95
DISBURSEMENTS			$234.63
ENDING CASH (as of 4/30/26)			$4,944.25

The CD balances total as of April 30, 2026 is $10,602.49

TRAILS REPORT by Bill Boyd:

- 257 hours for April, 560 total hours for the year so far.

NEW MEMBERS by Lois Morey:

Regular Memberships

- Robert Pingar, West Chester, PA
- Richard Chomik, Doylestown, PA
- Chris LeBlanc, Morrisville, NC

- Dan & Lenora Kudrick, Coudersport, PA

Senior Life Memberships

- Robert and Anita Davis, Troy, PA

CIRCUIT HIKER REPORT by Lori Szymanik:

- None to report.

HIKE REPORT:

- Pat Childs passed around a sign up sheet for kayaking and sign up sheet for Hammersley Wild Area hike.
- Pat C. also encouraged members to lead future hikes.

OLD BUSINESS

- PA Outdoor Corps Update- Chris Bell cleared and prepped the area for work. The work was a mile in on the trail. The crew was made up of six young people. They hiked tools both in and out. They moved some dirt, however, a tread way still needs to be dug on the trail. The crew also worked on picnic tables. They completed one small table which will be taken to Ole Bull to be used as a kids table. They built an additional table top. We have enough lumber to build 3 more tables. Leftover lumber will be taken to Bill Boyd's home.
- Gary Buchanan gave a report on Gravel Lick. He had a discussion with the camp owner last year and a tree was picked to drop. This will need to be revisited and plans should be make to take a crew, drop tree, cut up pieces for firewood for camp owner.
- West Branch Trail Problem Update: The trail passes through private land. The group leasing the property has posted no trespassing signs and put up cameras. DCNR has suggested using Shelton Trail to ATV trail, to Old Cabin Trail. Members discussed whether we can scout out a better re-route and ask for approval.
- STC Member Wayne Baumann is making progress in his recovery.

NEW BUSINESS:

- God’s Country Marathon is on June 5, 2026. Volunteers will set up at 8:00am. Peak time is 9:30 -11:00 am.
- Officer election is coming up. Offer was made for additional nominees.
    - Wanda Shirk, president
    - Janet Smith, vice president
    - Lori Szymanik-Oliver, recording secretary
    - Lois Morey, corresponding secretary
    - Jay Stuckey, treasurer
    - Advisory board Barb Miller, Jan Halter, Curt Weinhold, John Zimmer, Chad Rugh.
- John Z made a motion to adopt entire slate listed above. It was seconded by Susie Gribble and adopted unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held at noon at the pavilion at Lyman Run State Park on June 13, 2026.

Meeting minutes taken and submitted by Lori Szymanik-Oliver