

HIGHLIGHTS FROM SMT MAY MEETING

Janine Prout will be the summer season Salida area representative for BLM. Welcome, Janine!

Brinkley Messick, a SCC trail crew member, will be showing his art work at Café Dawn in June. . It will include several pieces featuring bikes. He is donating 50% of the sales price of any of the bike related art sold during the show to SMT. Everyone is invited to attend the opening on June 12 from 6 – 9pm. Thank you, Brinkley!

The SCC has finished their 2 crew/2week work on Upper Sand Dunes. The trail is already being ridden & features many improvements including rock walls.

Brendan Gibbs, of Absolute Bikes, will organize a subcommittee to plan Free Ride Trails. Currently, the most likely area that would be suitable is considered to be around Upper Cottonwood, on Forest Service land off CR 181.

The VOC North Backbone project will be June 26 & 27. They expect to have around 150 volunteers & usually have 40 – 50% of the group local.

There were 12 SMT volunteers at the last shin-dig & they were able to rough in around 200 yards of N Backbone from CR 173. The next shin-dig will be on June 12 & will probably include work on N Backbone east from CR 175.

The high school youth corps, including 10 crew members & 2 leaders, will work on SMT trails, most likely N. Backbone, from July 26 – 29. The junior high Learn & Serve corps will also be available. Additionally, the SCC is scheduled to work another 8 weeks, beginning in October.

New rock tools, including drills, chisels, and rock hammers, will be purchased soon to facilitate work on the trails.