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FY '14-'15 Highlights



311-ACRE FARM & TWO ISLANDS ON THE CONNECTICUT RIVER - CONSERVED FOREVER.



Richard Johnson

When Richard Johnson of Monroe signed the easement conserving his farm forever, he was momentarily speechless. This fifth-generation landowner, the last in his family line, had just guaranteed that the land his ancestors settled in the early 1800s would always be there, never developed. He hopes that someday young farmers will come back to this beautiful and productive land.



“I’ve been thinking about this for a long time...”



In addition to conserving important wildlife habitat and prime agricultural land, Mr. Johnson has allowed a campsite for the Connecticut River Paddlers Trail on one of his islands.

Find more info about this and other lands we've conserved at www.aconservationtrust.org/explore-our-lands





TIME FOR YOUR HIKING BOOTS: VOLUNTEERS BUILD NEW TRAILS IN THE COMMUNITY FOREST

A tangled network of logging skid trails and wildlife footpaths, navigating the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest can become confusing. This year our trail volunteers headed into the jungle to build new multi-use recreational trails. Bog bridges, stone work, and removing brush and trees - no task was too small or large for them to tackle.

Thank you to our trail volunteers and everyone on the Stewardship Team, you have truly made this a Community Forest!

A new parking area has been constructed at the Trumpet Round Road entrance in Sugar Hill.

Special thanks to the town of Sugar Hill and its Conservation Fund for undertaking the project.



Find more info about this and other volunteer opportunities at
www.aconservationtrust.org/volunteer-your-talent



An Outdoor Classroom:

Science, Dirt & Inspiration

At ACT's Cooley-Jericho Community Forest, 3rd and 4th graders were taught by Appalachian Mountain Club educators about forest and soil ecology, orienteering, NH history, and map skills.

High school students from Lisbon High School Panther Adventure Wilderness Society (PAWS) and the JAG (at risk youth) program in Woodsville came out and helped us construct bog bridges and other trail improvements.

By the
Numbers:

60 hours
volunteered
3rd & 4th
graders engaged **800**

Countless memories



Find more info at:

www.aconservationtrust.org/learn-education-programs



A year in the lives of ACT members and friends:

Trail building, kiosk construction, hikes year round, bird walks, potlucks, wildlife lectures, beer tasting, plein air workshop, film festival, owl prowl, bug walk, timber harvest workshop, pie contest, fun, adventure, community, discovery . . .

Find more info about this and other ACT events at
www.aconservationtrust.org/education-events



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the next generation -
guardians of the North Country.

Thank you for inspiring us to do
this important work.
We couldn't do it without you.



Conserving farms and forests in the North Country

