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The Latest from

Great Headwaters Trails

GHT trail and event news from eastern Vilas County (WI)



"Ride with Leinie" coming to the newly completed Conover-Phelps Trail

GHT will put on **TWO** great organized rides next summer!

SepTimber Ride returns on Sept. 10. The popular ride, which drew over 400 people this year, will feature a trail ride and two road rides, door prizes and a raffle drawing, along with a brat lunch and samples of Tribute Brewing Company's great craft beers. The event is put on in partnership with the Eagle River Area Chamber of Commerce.

In addition, GHT is proud to be the new sponsor of Ride with Leinie which has been based in Land O' Lakes for the last 10 years. As he has done over those years, Dick Leinenkugel will lead a family-friendly ride, this year on the Conover-Phelps Trail, and he'll preside over the after-ride festivities in Conover Town Park. Those festivities will include door prizes, a raffle drawing, a brat lunch and Leinenkugel beer. A road ride option will also be part of the event. Ride with

Leinie 2022 takes place on July 30. To receive more event information as it becomes available, email Ride Director Laura Van Valkenberg at ridewithleinie@gmail.com.

July 30 and Sept. 10 – Save the dates for both special events! You'll enjoy a great time and help boost GHT's trail building power.



Conover-Phelps Trail ribbon cutting

Special Saturday on May 28

Over 90 people came to the "soft opening" of the completed Conover-Phelps Trail on Sept. 4. We hope even more will turn out to join local and state dignitaries for the trail's **official ribbon cutting in Phelps Lakefront Pines Park on May 28, 2022.**

The event won't just open a trail, it will honor all the people whose contributions in expertise, time, labor and funding combined to make the 10.6 mile trail a reality for the two communities.

[Click here to see more of the trail and get the new trail map!](#)

Connecting St. Germain to Eagle River

Wisconsin River bridge in view

To build a bike trail connecting St Germain to Eagle River you need a way to cross the Wisconsin River. Last month the River Trail Commissioners along with the county Recreation and Parks Supervisor, some GHT folks, and our MSA engineer took a look at the likely site for building that crossing. We're envisioning a bridge for bike riders and walkers in summer, and snowmobilers in winter. It would be built north of the current STH 70 highway bridge west of Eagle River. We've already started working with the county and local snowmobile clubs to lay the financial base to develop that bridge by 2023.





A \$5,000 challenge fund will match all donations made by the end of 2021!

We couldn't keep doing this without you...

We're enjoying the glow of achievement as this year comes to an end, and we look forward to accomplishing more good things in 2022.

If you've been pleased with the results of our work so far, please make an end of the year contribution to help us take giant strides again next year. [Make a donation online](#) to help us build up the Conover-Phelps Trail Enhancement Fund or to meet our River Trail bridge goals. You can also mail donations for either purpose to GHT at PO Box 609, Eagle River, WI 54521.

Increase the impact of your gift! Donations made by the end of the year will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$5,000.

Thank you very much for your support!

Great Headwaters Trails, GHT, is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization based in eastern Vilas County in Wisconsin's Northwoods. To learn more about joining our corps of volunteers, email us at ghinfo@ghtrails.org.

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