

December News

New 5K Course Funding Secured *Grant received from the Connecticut Community Foundation*

The Southbury Land Trust has received a grant from the Southbury Community Trust Fund to create and build a permanent 5K course on our Phillips and Lovdal Farm Preserves. This fund is part of the Connecticut Community Foundation that specifically supports nonprofit organizations that serve the Southbury, Connecticut community.

The course will make use of existing trails and will involve creating new ones that will go through forested areas and around edges of hay fields on both preserves. The course will be marked with permanent materials and will be maintained year round. We anticipate most of the work to be done in the spring, with an intended opening by late spring. Once the course is complete, we will encourage the public to hike, run or walk the course and will partner with health clubs, schools and 5K groups who will have an exciting new venue for their athletes.

We are deeply grateful to the Connecticut Community Foundation and to the Board of the Southbury Community Trust Fund for awarding us this grant.



Runners pictured here at the Lovdal Farm Preserve, will now have a permanent course to enjoy.

Year End Giving

Last week our members received a gentle reminder in the mail regarding our year end membership drive. We hope those of you who have not yet renewed, will take a moment to do so. Since we are not part of town government, we need the financial support of our members to continue preserving Southbury's beautiful natural resources. We have three farms and many open space properties all around Southbury to maintain. They are open from dawn to dusk for hiking and other forms of passive recreation.

We deeply appreciate your past support and ask that you help us as we take care of our properties and seek new opportunities to preserve more land for you and other residents to enjoy. Contributions can be sent to PO Box 600, Southbury, CT or can be made by clicking on the link below.



The pond at the Lovdal Farm Preserve this fall.



Safe Passage

Many thanks to volunteers Pat Monahan and his son Timothy for attaching chicken wire to the bridge at Lovdal Farm. The fine wire under foot makes slick conditions much easier to handle.

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