

# Multi-Trails Project Conference

## Tuesday 15th October 2020

9.30am – 2.30pm

### **EVENT REPORT**

Multi-trails is a transnational cooperation project between the Community Woodlands Association in Scotland and the Sjö, Skog & Fjäll LAG in Sweden to share innovative techniques and best practice for the construction, promotion and management of mixed-use trails. This event, which was organised and held online by Sjö, Skog & Fjäll LAG, was originally intended to be the end of project conference.

The project had scheduled two international exchanges in 2020 but unfortunately these had to be cancelled due to the restrictions on international travel. Instead CWA commissioned three short films, focussing on Sustainable Visitor Management, Trails for All and Trails and the Rural Economy which were shown as our contribution to this conference.

The films covered the following themes and subject areas;

- I. Sustainable Visitor Management
  - Trail and destination promotion
  - Visitor management on multi-use trails
  - Active travel (getting visitors out of their cars and onto bikes or on foot)
- 2. Trails for All
  - Design and construction of multi-user paths
  - All ability access
  - Visitor safety
- 3. Trails and the Rural Economy
  - Eco-tourism
  - Partnership working
  - Destination marketing

Please click on this link for more details and click on following links to watch the three films:

- Sustainable Visitor Management
- Trails for All
- Trails and the Rural Economy

52 participants attended the event - 13 from Scotland and 39 from Sweden; the feedback has been extremely positive.

The conference was recorded and can be watched again here: <u>https://www.byggenled.se/ledkonferens-15-sept-2020/</u>





### **MULTI-TRAILS CONFERENCE**

#### Welcome to join a (digital) trail conference!

This conference is part of a Swedish - Scottish cooperation project with the aim to build better and more sustainable trails and to share knowledge and inspiration.

When: Tuesday 15th September 2020 Scottish time: 9.30 am - 2.30 pm

#### Program 9.30

9.30 am	Principles of sustainable trails. Hans Stoops, Cykelfrämjandet.		
10.30 am	Accessible trails for all. Nannie Fredrikson, Mountain Guide.		
11.30 am	Lunch break		
12.30 pm	Films from Scotland 3 x 10 min; Sustainable Visitor Management, Trails for All,		
	Trails and the Rural Economy. <b>Q&amp;A</b> with interviewees from the films.		
	Moderator: Fiona Chalmers, Multi-trails Project Manager, Scotland.		
1.40 pm	Group discussions		

2.00 Panel discussions. Moderator: Jon Hollingdale, Community Woodlands - 2.30 pm Association, Scotland.

Register now: https://zoom.us us/meeting/register/tJAudu6ggT8vH9Kt5W nMzp7Yd 6e3kJRGB

Hans Stoops is a project manager with responsibility for mountain biking and bicycle tourism at Cykelfrämjandet, Hans stoops is a project manager with responsibility for mountain bixing and bicycle tourism at Cykelframjandet, Sweden's cycling advocacy organisation. For the past few years he has been advocating for the design and construction of sustainable trails for outdoor recreation in a project supported by "Svenskt Friluftsliv". Nannie Fredrikson is a mountain guide and accessibility consultant. After a serious accident in the mountains she changed the focus on her work to primarily working with the challenge of making nature more accessible for people with various disabilities. She lectures and writes on this subject as well as nature's healing properties. She also performs on-site inventories and proposes solutions for increased accessibility on hiking trails and at fishing camps, bird watching towers etc. She is passionate about giving everyone the possibility to enjoy nature.

This trail conference is hosted by Leader Sjö, Skog & Fjäll, Sweden. Partners to the cooperation project is Community Woodlands Association, Scotland (Leader Highlands, Leader Cairngorms).

### The Participants (Scottish participants in **bold**)

Adrian Clark	Jon Wagenius	Oskar Lind
Agneta Sivertsson	Josefine Larsson	Petter Eurenius
Anne Adsten	Karen Smith	Sandra Skarne
Annsofi Collin	Karin Ericson	Sara Häggström
Carina Lönneryd	Kelly Clapperton	Sara Näsvall
Catarina Nordin Thorpe	Kristofer Hallberg	Sofie Jugård Löfgren
Chris Marsh	Lina Jönsson	Sofie Löfgren
Cristian Pizarro	Linda Karlsson	Suzann Barr
Ellen Hoas Ströman	Liz Auty	Therese Nordfeldt
Erik Esseen	Love Roos	Thomas Wingate
Fiona Chalmers	Marcella Simms	Tim Flood
Hans Stoops	Margareta Lindhagen	Tobias Liljeroth
Helena Fjellgren	Marina Piper	Tom Whalley
lan Ross	Marita Persson	Tracy Rich
Ingrid Hedlund	Mia Wiktor Lunde	Ulrika Karlsson
Izzy Filor	Nannie Fredrikson	Ulf Halleryd
Jens Tirén	Ola Bergqvist	Veronica Carlson
Jon Hollingdale		

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