



2017 Tellico Lakeshore Clean-up (WATeR)

March 25, 2017, 328 volunteers participated in the 16th annual lakeshore clean-up of the Tellico Watershed. These volunteers represented 25 clubs, organizations and communities, including students from Greenback High School, Sequoia High School and a troop of Boy Scouts. The volunteers picked up trash from 54 locations located in Loudon, Monroe and Blount counties.

The weather once again turned out perfect for the event. The volunteers were out early and did another outstanding job. They removed over 6 tons of trash plus over 20 tires. During the past 16 years 5939 volunteers have collected over 122 tons of trash from the lake shore, creeks and roads surrounding Tellico Lake. WATeR and volunteers continue to regularly collect trash from designated sights and continue to keep the trails and islands clean during the year.

We want to thank the volunteers, clubs, organizations and communities for their

support and on-going efforts. We also want to give a special thanks to TVA, Santek Inc. Environmental, TWRA, TRDA, Loudon County Convenience center, Tellico Village Public Works, T-Bart, Loudon County and Monroe County Sheriff's departments and to the high school students and boy scouts.

The Clean Up Committee is Tom Schemberger, Bob Kutschera, Tom Ringenbach, Ned Miller, Bill Waldrop and Bill Webster.

Knoxville Track Club 10K & 16 Mile Race

On April 9th, the Knoxville Track Club returned to the East Lakeshore Trail for the sixth straight year. 114 participants ran the northern branches of the East Lakeshore Trail on a clear Sunday morning – crossing the Wind River Golf Course going out and again returning to the Glendale parking area. The Trail continues to provide a wide range of opportunities to folks all over East Tennessee. Over the next year we hope to add several more miles to the Trail in the Wildcat area. More on that later this summer.