



*Maintaining and
Protecting Vermont's
Long Trail*

Green Mountain Club Worcester Section

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Summer | 2017

President's Message

Summer is upon us and I hope that you can enjoy the hot summer at our camp for swimming, fishing and canoeing. I also hope you may have used the outdoor fireplace and the grill. This is your camp and I encourage all of you to take advantage of the facility.



At our annual President's Day picnic in June, members enjoyed on a sunny, cool bug-free day.

This summer we will be getting some gravel stones to prevent erosion and stabilize the BBQ area at the camp. We also will be removing tree saplings and clearing nearby areas for more sunlight and clearer space.

If you need a key to the change house at the camp, please text or email Margos Stone at 508-826-6842, and a key will be mailed to you.

There has been frequent outside encroachment at the camp from non-members leaving garbage and debris, and to stop that we are planning to lock the gate. As we plan for this venture we will keep you informed of the logistics of it. I want you all to remember that the camp will be there for you with access and we are trying to keep the camp safe from vandalism.

Our Tuesday evenings get-together at the camp for indoor games will end for this summer and will begin in the fall.

John Oliva, our director to the Green Mountain Club in Vermont, is stepping down after many years and we are looking for someone to replace him. The director represents the Worcester Section at the board of directors meetings in Vermont. Let me know if you are interested. We thank John for his diligent and dedicated service to the Club and to the Worcester Section.

Please let me know of your interests and suggestions and feedback for our activities. You may call or text me at 508-210-6965 or email me at shivratri@gmail.com. Thank you, and enjoy the summer with friends and family!

Best regards,

Ram Moennsad, President

Summer Activities

Hiking

Saturday, August 5. MidState Trail Hike. It's called "Around Muddy Pond." We will be hiking from Ashburnham to Westminster. The distance is 5.7 miles. Please email Betty Jenewin at bettyjenewin@charter.net to sign up, or call Margos Stone at 508-799-0842 to register.

Sunday, August 27. Sholan Point Sunset Hike - Wachusett Reservoir

This approximately 5-mile round trip hike along old roads on DCR watershed land will loop near the Lily Ponds, then over French Hill through mature white pine and oak forest to Sholan Point on a remote shore of Wachusett Reservoir. Here you can get million-dollar views of the Reservoir looking west, south and east. The hike is timed to watch the sunset at the point. Bring mosquito repellent and a headlamp or flashlight for the hike back out. Contact Mike Peckar at 508-835-2959 to sign up.

Saturday, September 9. Midstate Trail Hike. Hike through cow pastures at Maple Heights Farm, then by Round Meadow Pond and Wachusett Village Inn, then along Wyman Brook, total of almost 6 miles. Please email Betty Jenewin at bettyjenewin@charter.net to sign up, or call Margos Stone at 508-799-0842 to register.

Saturday, September 23, 12:30 p.m. Potluck luncheon at the GMC camp. Bring a favorite dish to share. Hot dogs, burgers, cold drinks and dessert will be provided. We will have a short hike after the luncheon for those who are interested. To register, call or text Ram Moennsad at 508-210-6965 or Margos Stone at 508-826-6842.

Saturday, September 30. Hike the Pisgah Mountain Trail Loop at Pisgah State Park, 520 Old Chesterfield Road, Winchester, New Hampshire. Pisgah State Park includes over 13,300 acres of rough forested terrain, encompassing a complete watershed north of the Ashuelot River. Within the Cheshire County towns of Winchester, Chesterfield and Hinsdale, the park protects seven ponds (popular for fishing), four highland ridges and numerous wetlands. The area's 21 square miles make it the largest property in the New Hampshire state park system. The total hiking distance of the Pisgah Mountain Trail Loop is 8.5 miles. Please call Margos Stone at 508-799-0842 to register and for meeting time and place. Carpooling is available from Worcester. You may also email Margos at mstone12242@charter.net. Richard Lombard is co-leader of this hike. You can reach him at rlombard2@gmail.com or call him at 978-394-9619.

Got a Hike, Outing or Event You Would Like to Lead?

Got a hike, outing or event you would like to lead for the Worcester Section? This will be listed in our fall newsletter for the October through December months. Please call or email your ideas. We would love to hear from you, our Worcester Section members. Please call or text Margos Stone (newsletter editor) at 508-826-6842 or email him at mstone12242@charter.net. You may also call or text Ram Moennsad, Worcester Section President, at 508-210-6965 or email him at shivratri@gmail.com.

Do You Need a Key to the Change House at the Camp?

Please call or text Margos Stone at 508-826-6842 if you need a key to the change house at the GMC camp. You can also email him at mstone12242@charter.net. Please provide your name and mailing address. See you at the camp for some good picnicking and swimming.

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