



*Maintaining and  
Protecting Vermont's  
Long Trail*

# Green Mountain Club

## Worcester Section

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Fall | 2019

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### President's Message

Dear Members,

Please join us for some of our fall activities listed in this newsletter. These include hikes, canoeing, picnics at the camp, bicycling and many other events. Of particular note will be our annual meeting on Saturday, October 26, at the camp. This will include a ham and bean supper prepared by our own great chefs, followed by Bill Caulway, who will speak and show slides about his backpacking trip on the Arizona Trail. Please see the activities schedule for details.

Over the summer, we had well-attended potluck picnics on several Saturdays, from 4 to 7 pm. Now that fall is here, we will replace the potlucks with our popular game nights. Members Stuart and Pat Howe graciously hosted game night during the winter. In the fall, I will take over as host. **Game Night** will be held on October 17 and November 21, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at my home on 10 Candlewood Drive, Spencer. All members are welcome to come to join in a game of cards or other favorite game you would like to bring. Just call or email me at 508-210-6965 or [shivratri@gmail.com](mailto:shivratri@gmail.com) to let me know you are coming.

Best regards,

Ram Moennsad, President

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## Fall Activities

October —  
December

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**Saturday, October 5. Paddle in the land of King Phillip.** We will paddle the Great Swamp in Rhode Island and enjoy the fall colors. We will encounter beaver dams and may encounter fallen trees obstructing the waterway. Call leader David Miller at 508-853-8964 to register and for meeting time and place.

**Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20.** Join us for the Worcester Section Fall Work Party on the Stratton Mountain Section of the Long Trail. Some of us will car pool from Paxton at 7:00 a.m. Some of us will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 19 at the LT/AT Trailhead on the Arlington West-Wardsboro Rd. (Kelly Stand Rd). For driving directions, Google 1376 Stratton Arlington Road, Stratton, Vermont. Call Steve Crowe at 508-892-9942 for more information, or email him at [steve@sunshinelandscapingco.com](mailto:steve@sunshinelandscapingco.com).

**Saturday, October 26. GMC, Worcester Section, Annual Meeting.** Social Hour from 4 to 5 pm, Baked Ham and Bean Dinner at 5:00 pm, Business Meeting at 6:00 pm, followed by our guest speaker, Bill Caulway, who will speak and show slides about his backpacking trip on the Arizona Trail. To register for the meeting, send in the reservation form attached to your newsletter to Margos Stone, Treasurer, 1A Kensington Heights, Worcester, MA 01602, or email Margos at [mstone12242@charter.net](mailto:mstone12242@charter.net). A vegetarian dinner will also be offered. The cost is \$10.00 per person for the dinner and can be paid at the door. The cost for children under 12 is \$5.00, and total cost for a family is \$25.00.

**Saturday, November 2. Canoe Day Trip on the Ware River from Barre to Gilbertville,** passing King Phillip's camp and portaging around a mill dam. Call leader David Miller at 508-853-8964 to register and for meeting time and place.

**Saturday, November 9. Hike.** Meet at 9:30 am at the Bolton Pond parking area on Bolton Road at the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation. Bolton Road is off Mountain Road near the Princeton/Westminster town line. We will hike the Bolton Pond Trail to the Old Indian Trail to the summit of Mt. Wachusett and return by the same route. This is a moderately strenuous hike of about 4 miles round trip. Call leader Malcom Beauvais at 617-201-3303 or email him at [mabeauvais12@gmail.com](mailto:mabeauvais12@gmail.com) to register for the hike.

**Saturday, November 16, 9:30 to noon. Camp clean up at 345 Rawson Street in Leicester.** We will clean up the grounds and inside the lodge. Bring rakes, shovels, pruning shears and cleaning supplies. We will rake leaves and repair erosion damage to the grounds. Coffee and donuts will be supplied. Call Ram at 508-210-6965 or Margos at 508-826-6842 for more information.

**Walk off the Bird at Trout Brook Reservation in Holden, MA, Saturday morning, November 30 at 10 a.m.** Burn off those tryptophan-induced extra calories on this 5-mile loop over the White Oak, Bob Elms, and Red trails at Trout Brook. If there is snow or ice, bring microspikes or snowshoes, depending on the depth, and the route will be adjusted. Contact Mike Peckar at [mike@gmcwoo.org](mailto:mike@gmcwoo.org) or 508-835-2959 for the exact time and meeting location.

**Saturday, December 7, Canoe trip on the Assabet River.** With the leaves gone, the rivers will be up again; so, we will do the Assabet River from Northborough to Hudson. Remember, winter doesn't begin until December 21. Call leader David Miller at (508) 853-8964 to register.

**Sunday, December 29. Hike or snow shoe the trails of Wachusett Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary, 113 Goodnow Road, Princeton.** We will meet in the parking lot at Wachusett Meadows at 9:30 a.m. The hike will be approximately 4 miles over moderate terrain. Call or email leader Margos Stone at 508-799-0842 or [mstone12242@charter.net](mailto:mstone12242@charter.net) to register.

**January 1, 2020, 12:00 noon. President's Open House at the camp.** Enjoy a pot luck luncheon by the wood stove. Bring your favorite dish to share. Coffee, cider and dessert will be provided. Call Ram at 508-210-6965 or Margos at 508-799-0842 for more information or to register. A short hike will follow the luncheon for those interested.

### **Camp Gate**

#### **345 Rawson Street, Leicester, MA**

Beginning in July 2018, the gate to the camp at 345 Rawson Street in Leicester has been locked. The code to the lock is 3450, the same as our address with an added 0. Just align these four numbers to open the gate. When you leave, please lock the gate. The camp is still open to the public to use, but it will be by foot traffic when the gate is locked. This is an effort to cut down on vandalism at the camp and the public leaving unwanted litter.

If you have a problem unlocking the gate, please call Margos at 508-826-6842 or Ram at 508-210-6965. In the future, the code to the lock may change, but we will inform you first in the newsletter. Stay tuned to our quarterly newsletter.

### **Receiving Your Newsletter by Email**

If you are receiving this newsletter by regular mail and would like to receive it by email, please email Margos at [mstone12242@charter.net](mailto:mstone12242@charter.net). Give us your preferred email address and you will receive future newsletters by email. This will save the club on mailing costs and make it more convenient for you. Thank you.

### **Contributions to the GMC, Worcester Section**

Please make a year-end contribution to the Green Mountain Club, Worcester Section. Your contributions to the GMC, Worcester Section, are welcome and needed. Our income from dues is not sufficient to meet the expenses for the GMC, Worcester Section. Your tax-deductible contribution will help us to improve and maintain our camp on Cedar Meadow Lake. We depend on contributions to balance our budget. You can mail your contribution to Margos Stone, Treasurer, GMC Worcester Section, 1A Kensington Heights, Worcester, MA 01602. All donations are tax-deductible. Donations can also be made on our website at [gmcwoo.org](http://gmcwoo.org). Thank you.

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## **Green Mountain Club    Worcester Section**

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**Green Mountain Club  
Worcester Section, Annual Meeting  
Saturday, October 26, 2019, 4:00 to 7:00 pm  
Whitman Lodge, 345 Rawson Street, Leicester, MA**

Please join us for the GMC, Worcester Section, Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 26 at the Whitman Lodge. Social Hour will be from 4:00 to 5:00 pm, baked ham and bean dinner from 5:00 to 6:00 pm, business meeting from 6:00 to 6:30 pm, followed by our guest speaker, Bill Caulway, who will speak and show slides on his backpacking trip on the Arizona Trail and provide us with other backpacking and hiking information.

Please make your reservation(s) for the annual meeting by filling out and mailing the form below, or email Margos Stone at [mstone12242@charter.net](mailto:mstone12242@charter.net). for your reservation(s). Thank you.

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**Reservation Form For Annual Meeting on October 26**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of baked ham meals \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Vegetarian meals \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this form and check to Margos Stone, GMC Treasurer, 1A Kensington Heights, Worcester, MA 01602. Please indicate whether you would like a baked ham or vegetarian meal. Cost is \$10.00 per person and can be paid at the door. Reservations can also be made by emailing Margos at [mstone12242@charter.net](mailto:mstone12242@charter.net) by October 23. Cost for children under 12 is \$5.00. The maximum cost per family is \$25.00.