



# Northern Frontier Section *of the* Green Mountain Club

Fall 2007

## President's Report

Hi Everyone,

With summer just about behind us, I feel that it was a great season for the Northern Frontier. One of the summer's highlights included Don Hill's workshop on how to paint blazes on the trail. We had the opportunity to learn from the master about the tools for scraping and painting, where to place the blazes, and the proper size of a blaze.

We were also fortunate to have the GMC's trail crew do their training at Jay Camp this year. The trail to Jay Camp is now a lot drier to hike on and my feet are a lot happier! Speaking of Jay Camp... after many years as adopter, Don Hill has decided to pass the adoption to Ken and Sharon Whitehead and myself. We are slowly but surely learning about this role. Thanks Don for all your years of hard work!

This summer I got to find out first hand what it takes to clean out a moldering privy that was full to the top. Remi Gratton generously offered his expertise on this matter and together we cleaned it out. What a feeling of accomplishment! Remi is also the new adopter for the Laura Woodward Shelter and I know that with his experience and enthusiasm, he is already doing a great job.

Ken Whitehead led two hikes this summer...the Belvidere Loop and a hike through Devil's Gulch. Thanks Ken.

And I just returned from an afternoon doing trail maintenance with Ferdinand Lauffer, brushing back the Frank Post Trail to Tillotson Camp. The GMC trail crew is now doing major renovations on this camp that was built in 1939. I can't wait to see how it turns out. Ferdinand will lead a hike there in October.

Unfortunately, all news isn't always good news. As you have probably read in the papers, some major illegal cutting of trees has taken place up at Big Jay. We hope that through awareness of this situation people will become educated about the environmental impact that this cutting has on this unique ecosystem. I was informed by some of our members who have hiked there, that the swath that was cut is very large. GMC Headquarters has tentatively scheduled a restoration work day for Oct. 14. We will keep the membership informed through mailings and a future meeting.

Enjoy the foliage,  
Jane

## Upcoming Events

<p><b>Saturday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>:</b> Canoe/kayak Green River Reservoir. Meet at the McDonald's in Morrisville at 10:00. Raindate is Sunday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>. Bring a lunch and life vest. Call Ken and Sharon at 933-5352 to confirm.</p> <p><b>Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>:</b> Hike Camel's Hump from Couching Lion Parking Lot. Call Ken at 933-5352 for further information.</p> <p><b>Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>:</b> Climb Burnt Mtn.. Meet High Ponds Farm trailhead parking at 10:00 AM. Info: Rolf Anderson at 326-4799.</p>	<p><b>Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>:</b> Big Jay Restoration work day. Call Rolf Anderson at 326-4799 or Rebecca Washburn at 244-7037 for further information.</p> <p><b>Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>:</b> Hike Belvidere Mt. to Tillitson Camp via the Forrester Long Trail and Frank Post Trails. Meet at 10:00. Call Ferdinand to confirm at 933-4252.</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Please Hike Safely</b></p> <p>Be sure to wear bright orange when hiking. Hunting season is in full swing. Dates are:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Black Bear: 9/1 through 11/14</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Archery for Deer: 10/6 through 10/28</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Youth Deer Weekend: 11/3 through 11/4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rifle for Deer: 11/10 through 11/25</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>About the Green Mountain Club</b></p> <p>The Green Mountain Club was founded in 1910 to establish a wilderness footpath along the Green Mountains, from Massachusetts to the Canadian border. This footpath, the Long Trail, extends for 265 miles. The Club maintains this trail as well as numerous shelters and side trails.</p> <p>The headquarters of the GMC is located in Waterbury Center, Vermont. The Club provides various services to hikers. The shop offers hiking guides and maps. Please feel welcome to visit the shop and become acquainted with the GMC.</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:gmc@greenmountainclub.org">gmc@greenmountainclub.org</a></p> <p>Website: <a href="http://www.greenmountainclub.org">www.greenmountainclub.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Northern Frontier Section of the GMC</b></p> <p>The Northern Frontier Section, based in Montgomery, VT, is a chapter of the Green Mountain Club. Members receive a membership card, the Club quarterly <i>Long Trail News</i>, and our sections newsletter, <i>Journey's End</i> (which includes a schedule of outings, work days and social events).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>2007 Officers</b></p> <p>President.....Jane Williams.....827-3879</p> <p>Vice Pres.....Ken Whitehead.....933-5352</p> <p>Trails.....Ferdinand Lauffer...933-4252</p> <p>Secretary.....Rolf Anderson.....326-4789</p> <p>Treasurer/Director...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Walter Pomroy.....635-1770</p> <p>Newsletter.....Sharon Whitehead...933-5352</p>
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