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MEET THE NEW GMC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR *Michael DeBonis*

On Saturday, **JUNE 14**, the Green Mountain Club will hold its **Annual Meeting** at Mountain Meadows Lodge in Killington, Vermont, hosted by the Killington Section.

Mountain Meadows is situated on the Appalachian Trail, adjoining Kent Pond, making it a perfect location for all kinds of outdoor activities.

You will find details about registration, program, activities and directions for the Annual Meeting on pages 6,7 and 27 of the Spring Long Trail News.

One part of the business meeting will be to fill four general seats on the Club's Board of Directors. They represent the Green Mountain Club membership as a whole and work with directors elected by the sections.

Anne Janeway, who - like her parents - has been a very active O-Section member for many years, is one of the four nominees.

The **O-Section's Taylor Series** in April of this year attracted about 90 people to the Montshire Museum, to hear tales about the life and adventures of *Alex Ambros* as a cook at McMurdo Station in Antarctica. **Thanks to all of you who helped make the presentation a success!**

Wilderness-50 Outings 2014

This year is the 50th anniversary of the passage of the Wilderness Act. As part of the national celebration, more than a dozen outings have been scheduled for this summer in wilderness areas of Vermont and New Hampshire. Trip listings are marked as "Wilderness-50". The outings are planned jointly with GMC and Sierra Club in Vermont, and with AMC and Sierra Club in New Hampshire. They will be lead by O-Section member *Peter Hope*. For information call Peter at 603-863-6456, or e-mail phope@worldpath.net.

The **Crown Point Road Association** is planning an end-to-end walk on the road in early fall. It will start on Sept. 13 at NH Marker #1 in Charlestown, NH, the original site of the Fort at #4. It may take about two weeks until the walkers reach the Fort at Crown Point at NY's Lake Champlain.

For information about the trip details you can call O-Section member *Becky Tucker* at 802-885-4686, or go to the website www.crownpointroad.org.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED?

The mission of the Green Mountain Club is to make the Vermont mountains play a larger part in the life of the people by protecting and maintaining the Long Trail System and fostering, through education, the stewardship of Vermont's hiking trails and mountains.

Our O-Section members, located mainly in and around the so-called Upper Valley, are far away from the Long Trail. In keeping with the trail maintenance part of the GMC's mission, our section has been assigned the responsibility for 45 miles of the Appalachian Trail, from Killington to the Connecticut River.

But what about the stewardship?

We have an abundance of great trails more or less in our backyards, many of them taken care of by other organizations. So we try to establish and maintain a good relationship with these other groups by having some members join them, helping with their trail work and planning trips in their bailiwicks.

A closer look at our outings schedule from past and present years shows these connections:

Snowshoe trip with the **Ascutney Trails Association**,
Ski and combined annual meeting with the **Hartland Ski Trails**,
Workday with the **Rivendell Trails Association**,
Hike with a ranger from **Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park**,
Walks with the **Upper Valley Land Trust**,
Hike with the founder of the **Strafford Cross-Town Trail**.
Planned walk-through with people from the **Crown Point Road Association**
Rambles with the **Eastman** hiking group

It is different kind of stewardship, but I think it fulfills the intent of the GMC mission.

Inge Trebitz

WHAT'S IN A NAME?



An American having struck a Bear but not killed him, escapes into a Tree

We have scheduled the hike up and over Sunday Mountain in Lyme, NH many times, following the Rivendell Trail. When we did it on a Saturday in May, Ted Cooley, the leader and trail adopter for that section, finally gave us an explanation for our destination's name:

Legend has it that a gentleman from Lyme opted to ride his horse up the mountain on a Sunday morning, rather than attend the church service. He encountered a bear and was chased up a tree, where he had to sit in his fine riding outfit for a long time!

(Illustration provided by Ted Cooley)

Outings Schedule continued from insert

Aug 12 Tues	Hike	Mt. Cardigan (3155'), Orange, NH. Loop from SW over summit & South Peak. Views from ledges & tower! 3.5 mi, 1300' elev. gain. Mod, w/ steep bare rock climb on cone.	Peter Hope 603-863-6456
Aug 16 Sat	Hike with UVLT	Dartmouth Forest, Corinth, VT to Eureka Mine. Maplewood Inn loop. Trails & woods rds, poss. easy bushwhack. 4 - 5 mi, 1100' elev. gain. Moderate. UVLT	Jason Berard 802-333-4302
Aug 17 Sun	Bike Ride	Goose Pond from Lyme, NH. 24 mi. some dirt roads. Mtn. or hybrid bike. Mod. or Mod - Stren, depending on whether out-and-back or return on Canaan Turnpike Rd.	Dick Ruben 802-333-3707
Aug 19 Tues	Bike Ride ***	Bridport to Vergennes, VT along Lake Champlain. About 25 mi, all paved, w/ car spot; 50 mi option (out & back) also available. Easy to moderate; strenuous if 50 miles.	Inge Brown 802-296-5777
Aug 23 Sat	Hike	Okemo Mtn. (3343') via Healdville Trail, Mt. Holly VT. Fire tower, nice views. Steep but not rough. 6.0 mi, 1900' elevation gain. Moderate.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Aug 24 Sun	Hike	A.T. in Norwich, VT. Southbound from Bragg Hill/Podunk to Cossingham Rd. Happy Hill Shelter. 3 - 4 miles. Hilly, lots of short ups & downs. Moderate.	Nick Krembs 802-649-1048
Aug 26 Tues	Bike Ride	Corinth, VT to Route 2. Out and back. Around 25 miles. Moderate.	Dick Ruben 802-333-3707
Aug 30 Sat	Hike with UVLT	Leavitt Hill - Snow Mtn, Grantham, NH. Join Upper Valley Land Trust on mostly woods roads, some bushwhack. 6 mi, 1300' elev. gain. Mod - Stren. UVLT	Jason Berard 802-333-4302
Aug 31 Sun	Hike	East Pond Loop: Two scenic ponds, Waterville Valley area of White Mountains in NH. 5.0 mi, 1000' elevation gain. Moderate. Call by Thursday; leader may camp nearby.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201



Guess Where and When;
And who was the leader?

Of course these pictures were taken at
O-Section outings during the recent years.
Need help?
Check our summer outings schedule for clues.
Or join a likely outing listed above, and
keep your eyes open during during the trip.

Enjoy the Summer!

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AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE GREEN MOUNTAIN CLUB

Who are we? Founded in 1910, the Green Mountain Club was established "to make the mountains of Vermont play larger roles in the lives of people". To meet that goal, the club constructed the 272-mile Long Trail (LT). The GMC is responsible for developing policies and programs aimed at preservation, maintenance, and proper use of hiking trails for the benefit of the people of Vermont.

What is the Ottauquechee Section? Our section, one of 14 chapters of the GMC, is located in and around the Upper Valley. We schedule activities all year round for those who enjoy the outdoors, including hikes, bike trips, canoe outings, cross country skiing and snow shoe hikes. The "O" Section is responsible for the maintenance of 46 miles of Appalachian Trail (AT) between Maine Junction at Willard Pass near Killington and the Connecticut River at Norwich, VT, including four trail shelters.

We invite you to join! If you wish to participate in our activities, meet friendly, outdoors loving people and contribute to the maintenance and quality of Vermont's hiking trail system, the Ottauquechee Section welcomes you. Through the quarterly GMC Long Trail News and the "O"Section Footnotes you will get information about section and main club activities and issues of interest. For more information, call Patty Spencer at 802-333-3571.

For membership, fill out the application below and send to Green Mountain Club, 4711 Waterbury-Stowe Road, Waterbury Center, VT 05677, att. Joe Sikowitz. Please enclose a check, payable to the Green Mountain Club.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I (we)wish to join the Ottauquechee Section of the Green Mountain Club.

A check for \$_____ is enclosed.

Name(s)_____Date_____

Address_____

Telephone #:

E-mail: _____

Dues per year are \$ 45.- for adults and \$ 60.- for families