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## Minutes of the 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL MEETING of the UPPER Valley OTTAUQUECHEE SECTION of the GREEN MOUNTAIN CLUB

### 1. Welcome and Introduction

UVO-Section *Dick Andrews* called the official meeting at 6 p.m., welcoming 20 members who had joined the meeting via ZOOM. The Green Mountain Club was represented by President *Tom Candon* and Executive Director *Mike DeBonis*. The ZOOM conference was hosted by *Tom Kahl*.

### 2. Announcements

*Dick Andrews*: In memoriam of *Harry Temple*, longtime Trails and Shelters Coordinator for the UVO Section, members donated a total of \$ 740 to the GMC Trails and Shelters Fund.

**3. Approval of 2019 Ann. Mtg. Minutes:** The minutes as distributed before the meeting by mail and e-mail, and printed in the December 2019 FOOTNOTES were approved unanimously.

**4. Committee Reports** (highlights only – written reports are available through the Section secretary).

**Outings:** *Kathy Astrauckas* - Another good but different year for the UVO-Section! Our schedule listed 136 activities since the end of October 2019. This includes the usual hikes, road walks, bike rides, paddling, X-C or backcountry ski trips, snowshoeing, work days, planning meetings and the Taylor Series presentation.

With the arrival of the coronavirus pandemic, GMC put a hold on all in-person activities from mid-March until the end of June. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park canceled the entire series of seven A.T. history hikes that were to have been co-led with MBRNHP Rangers.

When official outings and trail maintenance were again allowed to take place, there were restrictions which are still in place: no carpooling; social distancing; step off the trail to allow other hikers to safely pass; carry a mask and hand sanitizer to use as needed; leaders must send contact info from all participants to GMC, in case contact tracing is needed if anyone comes down with COVID-19. Groups size was limited by GMC to ten people, though some of our leaders, at least initially, felt more comfortable limiting their groups to six. The latest wrinkle is that Grafton County, NH, where virtually all of our NH outings, near or far, take place, has had an increase in COVID-19 cases, such that Vermont residents are not currently allowed to travel there for anything not deemed essential, including recreation.

Planning for the Fall schedule was done by e-mail, a much harder job for the Outings Coordinator. Yet, the response from trip leaders was great, with many local trips offered. Many leaders opted to lead on Fridays or Mondays rather than on weekends, to avoid crowded trails and overflowing parking lots. Our trip leaders are all volunteers, and our long list of outings would not be possible without them. Over the past year we had eighteen different leaders. Leaders, we salute you! Thank you for your time and effort. We look forward to another busy and enjoyable year. Stay safe and keep moving!

**Section Director:** *Tom Kahl* noted that 2020 saw a significant reduction in GMC staff (17 down to 11). Of local importance is the anticipated formal approval of three AT crossings in the Norwich area.

**Treasury and Membership:** *Iris Berezin* - Key Figures for fiscal year 2020: Revenue \$ 2449; Expenses \$ 1996; Opening Balance \$ 2115, Closing Balance \$3507. The balance difference reflects that no money was donated to HQ in 2019 because of anticipated expenses - not realized - for chainsaw training/certification. Membership: 313 (last year 305). The report was accepted as presented.

**Trails and Shelters:** *Bob Hagen's* report acknowledged the work and cooperation of all partners involved in maintaining our trails and shelters. Included were: GMC HQ, especially Lorne Currier for vastly improving communications on maintenance activities. (Lorne is planning an on-the-ground workshop in April); the Forest Service and Youth Conservation Corps doing brushwork in the Kent Pond area; Upper Valley Trails Alliance loaning out trail maintenance tools; Friends of the Trails for doing on the spot trail work (but not forgetting to report); Adopters, the heart that drives our trail work. They continued to go out on their own during the pandemic. They even got much better in sending in trail work reports; and the Special Operations Unit for taking care of unexpected but frequent blow downs and other maintenance jobs.

**Publicity:** *Inge Trebitz:* The bulk (approx. 180) of our FOOTNOTES is still being sent as printed copy; some 50 members are receiving the newsletter via e-mail. We've updated our general e-mail address list to include all UVO e-mail information contained in the HQ date base. This list is used only for last minute information needs. Members who receive such electronic mailings will only see their own address ("bcc"). All other recipients' names are suppressed.

**5. Election of Officers:** *Annie Janeway*, Nominating Chair, presented the following slate of officers, which was accepted unanimously.

President	<i>Dick Andrews</i>
Secretary	<i>Heinz Trebitz</i>
Treasurer/Membership	<i>Iris Berezin</i>
Outings	<i>Kathy Astrauckas</i>
Trails and Shelters	<i>Bob Hagen, Chair</i>
Newsletter	<i>Inge Trebitz</i>
GMC Section Director	<i>Tom Kahl</i>
Nominating Committee	<i>Annie Janeway</i>

**5. Recognitions:** Special mention went to *Kathy Astrauckas* (organizing the continuation of the section's outings program), *Duncan Love* (maintenance at Thundering Falls board walk) and *Heinz Trebitz* (AT crossing with Rte 12 relocation).

**7. Comments from GMC Visitors:** *Mike DeBonis* reported that trail use throughout Vermont is up by 30%. Despite the increased use the trails are in good shape. Financially, the Club is doing well, with increased membership and donations.

The Club is quite involved in the Diversity Equity Inclusion (DEI) program and plans a first group meeting for the first week of November. Another priority is to improve communication between the Main Club and the Sections. *Tom Candon* mentioned that the next Annual Meeting is planned for Sterling College. Hopefully it will be an in-person meeting.

**8. Old Business:** The UVO Section outings activities (despite the pandemic) received positive public comments. *Debbie Marcus* raised the issue of car pooling safety. Members agreed that longer distance car pooling should be avoided.

**9. New Business:** Members approved the following donations to fellow organizations in the Upper Valley and GMC HQ: \$ 200 each to Hartland Winter Trails, Rivendell Trails, Upper Valley Trails Alliance and Upper Valley Land Trust; \$ 500 to GMC.

*Kathy A.* reminded people of the upcoming winter outings schedule. Planning meeting will be via ZOOM on January 19, *Tom Kahl* volunteered to host. *France Menk* would like to find more information on hikes including old maps and reports. *Inge T.* offered to come up with a list for a future FOOTNOTES issue. *Heinz T.* suggested having a virtual Mud Season Social with a power point presentation of 2020/2021 activity photos.

**10. Adjournment:** The meeting was closed at 7 p.m.

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*From the Editor:*

With this edition of the FOOTNOTES we have gone back to the original schedule format. It is less work for *Kathy Astrauckas*, the Outings Coordinator, and easier to read. When and if we can list our outings on the GMC website again, *Heinz Trebitz* has agreed to do the entries.

We offer quite a few trips for this challenging winter. Let's hope that the new COVID restrictions will be lifted soon and allow us to sign up for most of them.

**Have a good and safe winter!**

*Inge Trebitz*

## "O" SECTION WINTER ACTIVITIES, DECEMBER 2020- FEBRUARY 2021

**Hunting Season continues in NH until 12/6** (Deer Reg. Firearms); archery till 12/15 **\*\*\* = Easy on the knees ### = GMC members only**  
**in VT:** Archery cont. until 12/15; Muzzleloader 12/5 – 12/13

BACK-COUNTRY ETIQUETTE: NO CELL PHONE USE EXCEPT IN EMERGENCY

**!!! = COVID CAVEAT: IF CASE #s ARE HIGH & NH IS OFF-LIMITS, LEADERS WILL CHOOSE AN ALTERNATE VT OUTING.**

**Note: IF CONDITIONS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR SKI OR SNOWSHOE, ASSUME MICROSPIKES AND CALL THE LEADER!**

Dec 1 Tues	Hike/Spike	LT/A.T. north of US-4 , Killington, VT area: From US-4 NB to Tucker Johnson Shelter & Maine Jct, over Deer Leap Mtn. & Deer Leap overlook, down tourist trail to A.T. SB around back side of Deer Leap Mtn back to cars. 5.5 mi, 1400' elevation gain. Moderate, with one slightly tricky uphill spot. Rain/snow date Wed. 12/2.	Kathy Astraukas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311
Dec 1 Tues	Walk ***	Down Sykes Ave, White River Jct, VT & along Connecticut River, returning the same way. 2-3 miles, with a steep stretch on Sykes Ave. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Dec 4 Fri	Hike/Spike	Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park. Carriage roads and other trails. Check it out before the winter crowds come! ~ 3 hrs. Moderate. (No hunting area.)	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Dec 5 Sat	Hike/Spike	Windmill Ridge, Athens, VT. To Paul's Ledges & other viewpoints using the Athens Access Trail, Hemlock Trail, old County Road ~ 5 mi. Moderate w/ some steep sections.	Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 <a href="mailto:ajaneway@gmail.com">ajaneway@gmail.com</a>
Dec 7 Mon	Hike	Mount Ascutney (3150'), Windsor, VT on gated, paved road. Views. 7.4 mi, 2250' elev. gain. Picnic pavilion 1/2 way up for breaks. Moderate. Optional summit adds 1.4 mi. round trip & 400' elev. gain.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Dec 8 Tues	Hike *** or Snowshoe	Dewey Pond to Quechee Gorge and return. Part fairly flat, part gentle slope. 2 miles. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Dec 9 Wed	Dirt Road/ Trail Walk	Lyme, NH loop from Lyme Green. Market Street, Shoestrap Road, Maple Street, River Road, Lower Grant Brook Trail. 5 - 6 miles. Moderate.	Heinz/Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129
Dec 11 Fri	Snowshoe or Spike	UVLT conserved property "My Walden", Sharon, VT. Beautiful, varied terrain, bucolic and woods, open meadows and fields, mountain views. Moderate.	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294
Dec 12 Sat	Walk/Hike	Totman Hill Rd, Bartlett Brook Rd (dirt rds). & short, steep section of A.T. Beautiful views and lovely woods. ~ 5 mi, ~ 900' elevation gain. Moderate.	Kathy Astraukas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311
Dec 13 Sun	Hike	Winding Thetford Academy Trails, Thetford Hill, VT. Some trails wide & easy, some more narrow & rough. 3 – 4 mi. Moderate.	Heinz/Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129
Dec 14 Mon	Hike	Mimi's Trail, Thetford, VT. From Thetford Hill to the top of Houghton Hill and back. Designed by Thetford's John Morton, former Olympic biathlete. ~ 5 mi. Moderate.	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294
Dec 15 Tues	Walk ***	Hawk Pine Hill Loop from Huntley Meadows, Norwich, VT. Slight uphill to start. 2 - 3 miles. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Dec 18 Fri	Hike or Snowshoe	Quechee, VT. Section 5 ramble. Two loops: wide trails, varied mature woods, rolling terrain. Interpretive signs cover geology, the area's early inhabitants, remains of early settlements. 6.5 miles, 900' elevation gain. Moderate.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Dec 19 Sat	Hike	Paradise Park, Windsor, VT. Begin and end at Juniper Hill Road. Reservoir, fields, woods, brook, gazebo. ~ 4 mi. Easy – Moderate with one short steep section.	Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 <a href="mailto:ajaneway@gmail.com">ajaneway@gmail.com</a>
Dec 21 Mon	Snowshoe	First Day of Winter at Hartford, VT Hurricane Forest & Wildlife Refuge. Double loop (figure 8). Pleasant woods walk w/ many opportunities for signs of wildlife. 6.0 mi, 1200' elev. gain. Moderate.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Dec 22 Tues	Walk/Hike or Snowshoe***	Brand new Ottauquechee River Trail in Woodstock, VT's East End. Starting at old train station. Lovely river walk with interesting views of Mt. Peg & Mt. Tom, pastoral landscapes, meadows. 2.8 mi, generally flat, mostly grass trail with part of return loop on old RR bed. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Dec 28 Mon	Snowshoe	Bald Top from Lake Morey, out-and-back. Views from top, to Franconia Ridge if conditions are right. 6.6 mi, 1500' elevation gain. Moderate - Strenuous.	Kathy Astraukas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311

Dec 29 Tues	Hike *** or Snowshoe	Hartford Town Forest, White River Jct, VT. Opposite the Upper Valley Aquatic Center. 2 miles. Hilly, but Easy because we take it slow. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Jan 2 Sat	Snowshoe/ Microspike	Loop in South Strafford, VT. Gently uphill on Podunk Pond Trail, down on old Pennock Road, with lunch stop at picturesque pond. 3 – 4 mi. Moderate.	Heinz/Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129
Jan 4 Mon	Snowshoe or Hike	Boston Lot, Lebanon, NH. Lovely and local. 2 – 3 hours. Pond, view at top. Moderate (some easy; a couple of steep sections). (!!! Subject to change.)	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294
Jan 5 Tues	Snowshoe or X-C Ski ***	Marshland Farms, Quechee, VT. Open fields. Trail fee. 2 miles, but you can do more on your own.	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Jan 8 Fri	Snowshoe	Moosalamoo Nat. Rec. Area, Brandon, VT. Falls of Lana, Silver Lake. View of Lake Dunmore. ~ 3 miles. Moderate. <a href="mailto:duncanlove4024@yahoo.com">duncanlove4024@yahoo.com</a> (prefer email)	Duncan Love 802-226-7697
Jan 9 Sat	Snowshoe	UVLT conserved property "My Walden", Sharon, VT. Beautiful, varied terrain, bucolic and woods, open meadows and fields, mountain views. ~ 4 mi. Moderate.	Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 <a href="mailto:ajaneway@gmail.com">ajaneway@gmail.com</a>
Jan 11 Mon	Snowshoe	Quechee Section 5 loop. Different tree types, a stream, foundation, stonewalls, ledges. Interpretive signs: info on geology, area's early inhabitants, remnants of settlements. 2 - 3 hours. Moderate.	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294
Jan 12 Tues	X-C Ski ***	Woodstock, VT Country Club. Fairly flat. Easy. *** 2 miles, but you can do (much) more on your own, including venturing up into the hilly areas. Trail fee.	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Jan 15 Fri	Snowshoe or Hike	A.T., Lyme, NH. Southbound fr Goose Pond Rd. Moose Mtn. N. Peak (2300'), Moose Mtn. shelter & return. Pretty trail, small views. 6.2 mi, 1800' elev. gain. Mod -Stren. (!!! Subject to change.)	Kathy Astrauckas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311
Jan 17 Sun	Snowshoe/ Microspike	A convivial trip to Wintturi Shelter, N Bridgewater, VT. Perkins Rd side trail & A.T. Moderate climb through mature hardwoods. ~ 3.5 mi, ~600' elev. gain. BYO hot drink, snack/lunch for the shelter.	<a href="mailto:Debbie.marcus57@gmail.com">Debbie.marcus57@gmail.com</a> 978-578-4198
Jan 19 Tues	X-C Ski ***	Around Lake Pinneo, Quechee, VT. Open terrain (golf course). ~ 2 miles, but you can do more on your own. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Jan 19 Tues	<b>Planning Meeting</b>	Planning Meeting for Spring (March - May) outings at 7:00 p.m., likely via Zoom. Call Kathy Astrauckas ahead with ideas if you can't join us (802-785-4311).	Kathy Astrauckas 802-785-4311
Jan 22 Fri	Snowshoe/ Microspike	Whitcomb Hill, Strafford VT. Loop: Furnace Flats Trl to Whitcomb Hill, down Cross Town Trl to Rt 132, on Rt 132 for 3/4 mile to cars. Great views fr Whitcomb Hill. 5 mi, 1,000' elev. gain. Moderate.	Tom Kahl 207-692-7495
Jan 23 Sat	Snowshoe or Spike	Norwich, VT loop connects Parcel 5, Brookmead Conservation Area, Ballard Trl. Lovely part along Charles Brown Brook. 7 mi, 1200' elev. gain (many short up/dns). Moderate.	Nick Krembs 802-649-1048
Jan 25 Mon	Snowshoes/ Microspikes	Bridal Veil Falls, Franconia, NH. Coppermine Trail, Coppermine Shelter. Gorgeous ice formations on falls. 5 mi, 1200' elevation gain. Moderate. (!!! Subject to change.)	Kathy Astrauckas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311
Jan 26 Tues	Snowshoe or X-C Ski ***	Huntley Meadows, Norwich, VT. Very flat. < 2 miles. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Jan 29 Fri	Snowshoe	Paradise Park ramble, Windsor, VT. Miles of trails on rolling terrain--ponds, meadow, streams, wetland, forest, a gazebo and a large picnic shelter. Undemanding footing. ~ 3 hours. Moderate.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Jan 30 Sat	Snowshoe	Tucker Mtn, Newbury, VT. Explore this relatively newly conserved property. Partly on woods road, partly on trail. Some moderate climbing to a viewpoint. ~ 3 mi. Moderate.	Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 <a href="mailto:ajaneway@gmail.com">ajaneway@gmail.com</a>
Feb 1 Mon	Snowshoe/ Microspike	Blue Ridge Mtn, Mendon, VT (W. of Sherburne Pass). Cauty Tr up & back. Nice woods, 3 cascades, view fr Rutland overlook near wooded summit. 5 mi, 1,500' elev gain. Mod.	Tom Kahl 207-692-7495
Feb 2 Tues	Snowshoe or Walk ***	Groundhog Day at Wilder Dam, Wilder, VT. A winter view of the Connecticut River. 2 miles. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Feb 5 Fri	Snowshoe	Moose Mtn South Ridge Trail (NOT the summit). Incredible views, possibly including Mt. Washington; great view over Mascoma Lake at turn-around point. 7.0 mi, 1200' elev. gain, but all short, mild ups and downs, mostly gentle ridgeline. Moderate. (!!! Subject to change.)	Kathy Astrauckas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311

**2020 Winter Outings Schedule, continued from insert, Page - 4 -**

Feb 6 Sat	X-C Ski or Snowshoe	Tiki Torch Trek, Hartland, VT. Hartland Winter Trails' annual fundraiser, a fun family evening event. Dessert, hot choc, hot cider. Age 12 and under free; over 12 is \$5; family price is \$15. Masks required. Check for updates in Jan. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Hartland-Winter-Trails-486417271454797">https://www.facebook.com/Hartland-Winter-Trails-486417271454797</a>	Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 <a href="mailto:ajaneway@gmail.com">ajaneway@gmail.com</a>
Feb 7 Sun	Snowshoe/ Micropike	UVO section tradition: Annual Super Bowl Sunday at Amity Pond Natural Area, Pomfret, VT. 3.2 mile loop w/moderately strenuous uphill return to build appetites. Campfire; BYO hot drink, snack, marshmallows for toasting at the shelter after. (This year, the Super Bowl is on Leader's birthday!)	<a href="mailto:Debbie.marcus57@gmail.com">Debbie.marcus57@gmail.com</a> 978-578-4198
Feb 8 Mon	Snowshoe	Blueberry Mountain (2662'), Glenclyff, NH. Out and back. 5.2 mi round trip, 1300' elevation gain. Fabulous views from ledges. Moderate. (!!! Subject to change.)	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294
Feb 9 Tues	Snowshoe	Behind UVAC (Upper Valley Aquatic Center), White River Jct, VT. Out in the open, very quiet. Flat. < 2 miles. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Feb 10 Wed	X-C Ski	Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Hist.Park carriage road and other trails. Start from Prosper Rd. Moderate. Fee may be required, depending on whether or not they groom.	Heinz/Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129
Feb 12 Fri	Snowshoe	Lyme Pinnacle/Pinnacle Hill, Lyme, NH. Views across CT River into VT; to Smarts Mtn, etc. in NH. ~ 3.5 mi, ~ 360' elevation gain. (!!! Subject to change.)	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294
Feb 15 Mon	X-C Ski or Snowshoe	<b>Presidents' Day</b> on Mimi's Trail, Thetford, VT.( From Thetford Hill to Houghton Hill and back) Designed by Thetford's John Morton, former Olympic biathlete. ~ 5 mi. Moderate.	Heinz/Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129
Feb 16 Tues	Walk ***	Dirt & paved roads, Norwich, VT. Starting at Norwich Park & Ride, up Hawk Pine Road. Lollipop loop of about 2 – 3 mi. Easy, with initial uphill. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Feb 17 Wed	X-C Ski	Hartland Winter Trails, Hartland, VT. A loop of ~ 3 miles with Tom, or continue more on your own. Moderate. If conditions are not suitable for skiing, venue will change. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Hartland-Winter-Trails-486417271454797">https://www.facebook.com/Hartland-Winter-Trails-486417271454797</a>	Tom McCleary 802-295-7592
Feb 19 Fri	X-C Ski	Lovely backcountry skiing, Moose Mtn area, Etna, NH. Out-&-back on Harris Trail at base of mtn. Little elevation gain; poss. a few somewhat tricky spots. ~ 3 hrs. Moderate. (!!! Subject to change.)	Kathy Astrauckas/Bob Hagen 802-785-4311
Feb 20 Sat	X-C Ski	Strafford Nordic Ctr, VT. Open fields & some woods with elevation gains, hillside vistas. All levels of difficulty. Trail fee.	Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 <a href="mailto:ajaneway@gmail.com">ajaneway@gmail.com</a>
Feb 22 Mon	X-C Ski or Snowshoe	Millstone Nordic Center, E. Barre, VT. Abandoned marble quarries, lovely hardwood forests, views. Moderate. <a href="http://www.millstonehill.com/touring/">http://www.millstonehill.com/touring/</a>	Heinz/Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129
Feb 23 Tues	Walk ***	From Rte 5 in Wilder, VT along bike path to a loop around the Wilder Dam & Connecticut River. 2 - 3 miles. Easy. ***	Inge Brown 802-280-8017
Feb. 24 Wed.	Snowshoe	Mt. Ascutney (3150'), West Windsor, VT via Windsor Trail. 5.4 mi., 2,520' elev. gain. Observation tower with views, if we make it. Strenuous.	Dick Andrews 802-885-3201
Feb 26 Fri	Snowshoe	UVLT conserved property "My Walden", Sharon, VT. Beautiful, varied, terrain, bucolic and woods, open meadows & fields, mountain views. Moderate.	Iris Berezin 802-295-2294



**Bridge to Grafton County, NH**

I was told that the name of our beloved Connecticut River is derived from a Mohegan-Pequot word for "long tidal river".

However, I always understood it as a symbolic term for connecting and cutting the two adjoining states.

How true during a time when we are supposed to limit our trips to the Vermont side!

*Inge Trebitz*

**OTTAUQUECHEE FOOTNOTES**

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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 Vermont mountains play a larger part 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 Upper Valley 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 Upper Valley 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 Iris Berezin at 802-295-2294.

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

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***APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP***

I (we) wish to join the Upper Valley 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