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### From the Editor:

Dear Fellow O-Section Members!

We hope you are all well and safe. We decided to send out the Summer 2020 “Footnotes” without any changes, including the planned schedule. We realize that there may still be a number of restrictions in terms of when and where we can get out on trails, if we have to keep social distance, and what the trip leaders’ responsibilities are. As these conditions change, our Outings Committee (Dick Andrews, Kathy Astrauckas, Heinz Trebitz) will try to keep you posted by email about rules and regulations from the state offices and GMC. If you are interested in joining one of our scheduled activities (after June 15), please contact the volunteer leading it for further information. Best wishes to you all!

*Inge Trebitz*

### From the O-Section President:

As it stands, NO GMC face-to-face activities may be scheduled until at least June 15. The Section Outings Committee has informed all trip leaders that until June 15 all planned activities are cancelled. We don't know what limitations might be in place after that, so any activity scheduled after the June date must be considered tentative. As the time approaches, look for current information on the Green Mountain Club website or the Upper Valley Ottawaquechee Section website.

We have postponed the UVO Planning Meeting until July 7<sup>th</sup>, and hope we can meet then face to face.

*Dick Andrews*



### From Trails and Shelters Chair:

Despite the shifts in weather and in compliance with frequent changes in guidance from GMC, the UVO section adopters and friends of the trail have been out doing progressively more demanding work: treads and water bars have been cleared, and recently we’ve been able to take care of significant blowdowns. There are a few segments that still need attention, but the May 16 re-scheduled work day brought out more than enough people for four crews, with others volunteering for future work. Hobble bush, honey suckle and blackberry await. Please let me know of any trail segment that needs help. Some trails are still wet. Deer Leap is a swamp. Thanks for all you do.

*Bob Hagen*

HARRY TEMPLE - 1941 – 2020

“What comes first to your mind if you think of Harry?”

“Tools, machinery, cars – oh, and he introduced me to the O-Section in 1993!” is Heinz’ reply.

In the early nineties, there was a request in the “VALLEY NEWS”, asking for help with work on the Appalachian Trail. Heinz signed up and assisted Harry in building a ladder, close to Stony Brook Shelter. It was the beginning of dozens of trips where we followed Harry, for work and for fun. He led the annual paddle outing on Grafton Pond and took us on a number of cross-country ski tours in the Weathersfield area. He scheduled work-day jobs in his capacity as Chairman of Trails and Shelter Maintenance. He was always ready to fill in where help was needed. And while he worked, he would tell stories in his low, gravelly voice – about his younger years as draftsman and machine designer, about his experience with grandchildren in later life. During the last years, cutting brush to maintain the boardwalk in Killington was one of Harry’s chosen jobs. We will think of him when we amble over to look at the Thundering Falls!

*Inge Trebitz*



On March 8,  
Harry Temple,  
O- Section member since 1991,  
took his last walk and rest.

For twenty years, Harry was Chairman of Trails and Shelter Maintenance, and many of us remember him from dispatching us to work day jobs, building bridges and ladders, and running brush hogs and weed whackers.

We remember and mourn Harry in his always friendly and laid-back way.

Harry at Grafton Pond  
He knew so many beautiful Places!

Photo: *Heinz Trebitz*

Resting after brushhogging  
below the Board Walk

Photo: *Inge Brown*



## UVO SECTION SUMMER ACTIVITIES, JUNE - AUGUST 2020

**Note: This summer outings schedule is a draft (see watermark). Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and in compliance with GMC guidelines. all outings have been cancelled until June 15. For information on outings policy after June 15, check the GMC and UVO Web Sites or call the outings leader.**

\*\*\* = Easy on the knees.

Don't forget, if conditions don't seem good for scheduled outing, call leader for "Plan B": change in venue, mode of travel, or both!

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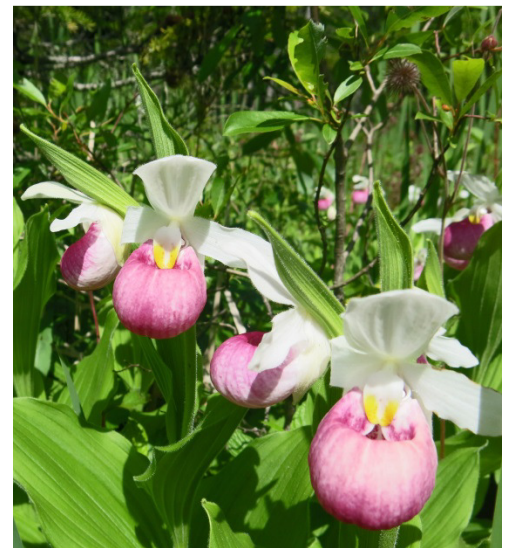
Start Date	Subject	Description	Location
6/2/2020 Tues.	<b>Planning Meeting</b>	Planning Meeting for Fall (Sept. - Nov.) outings at 7:00 p.m. at the Trebitz home. Call Kathy Astraukas ahead with ideas if you can't join us. (802-785-4311). <b>Host:</b> Inge & Heinz Trebitz, 802-785-2129	Thetford, VT
6/6/2020 Sat.	<b>WORK DAY</b>	Give back to the trail on National Trails Day, on our section of AT somewhere between Chateaugay & Cloudland Roads. Bring work gloves, tools, lunch & water. Possible reblazing; materials provided. Rain/snow/mud date :- ) Sun., June 7. <b>Co-ordinator:</b> Heinz Trebitz, 802-785-2129	Woodstock, VT
6/7/2020 Sun.	<b>Bike Ride</b>	On Sugar River Recreational Trail from Newport, NH to Claremont & back, ~ 20 miles of flat countryside. Hybrid bike needed. Moderate. <b>Leader:</b> Inge Trebitz, 802-785-2129 (Rain date also for Heinz's work day)	Newport, NH
6/9/2020 Tues.	<b>Walk ***</b>	River Road along the Ottauquechee River to Taftsville covered bridge. 2 miles with car spot, or 4 miles out-and-back. Easy. *** <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Woodstock, VT
6/12-14/2020 Fri.-Sun.	<b>GMC Annual Meeting</b>	GMC's 110th Annual Meeting at Sterling College, Craftsbury Common, VT. Hosted by the Laraway, Northern Frontier, & Sterling Sections. Meeting, hikes, trail maintenance, dinner, entertainment, workshops. <b>For more info &amp; to register:</b> GMC Headqtrs 802-244-7037 or www.greenmountainclub.org	Craftsbury Common VT
<b>Tentative Trips after June 15</b>			
6/16/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike</b>	Mt. Cardigan (3155') from north. Orange Cove Trail, Mowglis Trail; detour to explore large Cilley's Cave, then summit with great views last 0.5 mi. Down on West Trail to State Park parking. 5.5 mi, 1300' elevation gain. Moderate. Car spot. <b>Leader:</b> Tom Kahl, 207-692-7495	Orange, NH
6/20/2020 Sat.	<b>Hike</b>	Camel's Hump (4083') Forest City Trail, Long Trail north, Camel's Hump, Burrows Trail. 5.8 mi, 2421' elev. gain. Strenuous. <b>Leader:</b> Susan Ogden, susanstarchild58@gmail.com Cell phone for texts: 802-356-0428 work: Mon-Thurs 7:30-4, 603-442-6770	Huntington, VT
6/20/2020 Sat.	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger</b>	Hike on the First Day of Summer w/ Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger; explore A.T. & landscape history. VT-12 to Woodstock Stage Rd. 2.2 mi, 700' elev. gain (steep initial climb). Moderate. (UVO-Sect. co-ldr Inge Trebitz 802-785-2129) Limit 12. <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Visitor Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	Woodstock, VT
6/21/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	Short afternoon Father's Day hike to Trout Pond. Fairly level: attractive back-country pond below Smart's Mtn. Total distance 1.5 mi, with little elevation change. Some rough footing (round rocks & roots that may be slippery). Easy. *** <b>Leader:</b> Peter Hope, 603-863-6456	Lyme, NH
6/23/2020 Tues.	<b>Lady Slipper Walk ***</b>	Eshqua Bog boardwalk. Orchids, lady's slippers, bog plants, cold-climate holdovers from last glacial period. 2-acre fen traversed by a boardwalk. About 1 mile. Easy. *** Max grp size 8. <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Hartland, VT
6/27/2020 Sat.	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger ***</b>	Join Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger to explore A.T. & history that shaped this landscape. Woodstock Stage Rd. to Pomfret Rd. 2.2 mi, 300' elev. gain. Easy. (UVO-Sect. co-ldr Heinz Trebitz 802-785-2129). Meet in Woodstock for shuttle. Limit 12; <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Visitor Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	Pomfret, VT
6/28/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	From parking across from Lake Morey boat launch on Cross-Rivendell and Echo Mountain Trails over Eagle's Bluff, down to north end of lake, then road walk back to cars. Nice views across the lake. 4 - 5 miles, ~ 500' elevation gain, with some steep climbs. Moderate. <b>Leaders:</b> Heinz & Inge Trebitz, 802-785-2129	Fairlee, VT
6/30/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike</b>	A section of the Cross-Rivendell Trail in the vicinity of Ely Mine. A loop of ~ 4 miles; lots of ups & downs. Moderate. <b>Leaders:</b> Inge & Heinz Trebitz 802-785-2129	Vershire, VT
7/4/2020 Sat	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger</b>	Join Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger, explore A.T. & landscape history. Pomfret Rd. to Cloudland Rd. 1.8 mi, 700' elev. gain. Steady climb, views at top! Easy-Mod. (UVO-Sect. co-ldr France Menk 845-750-5261 iam@france-menk.com ) Meet in Woodstock for shuttle. Limit 12; <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Visitor Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	Pomfret, VT

7/4/2020 Sat	<b>Bike Ride</b>	Loop from Bellows Falls to Saxtons River, VT, where there is a wonderful small town celebration with parade, food trucks, interesting vendors, etc. Out and back, 12 miles. Moderate. <b>Leader:</b> Duncan Love, 802-226-7697 duncanlove4024@yahoo.com	Bellows Falls, VT
7/5/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	On OLD Long Trail (now a side trail; no longer on LT End-to-Ender's list!). Drive from Winooski Bridge north on Notch Road to LT crossing, hike south via Duck Brook Shelter to Jonesville. Gently rolling trail through wetlands, then uphill, followed by long downhill to Winooski Valley. ~ 5 miles, ~ 600' elevation gain, 1300' descent. Moderate. Car spot. <b>Leaders:</b> Heinz & Inge Trebitz, 802-785-2129	Bolton, VT
7/7/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike ***</b>	Mill Trail/Northern Rail Trail loop, 2 miles. Easy. *** <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Lebanon, NH
7/11/2020 Sat.	<b>Hike</b>	Jackson (4052')-Pierce (4310') Loop (both on the NH 4000-Footer list). 7.7 miles, 2900' elev. gain. Rain date Sun. 7/12. <b>Leader:</b> Susan Ogden, susanstarchild58@gmail.com Cell phone for texts: 802-356-0428 work: Mon-Thurs 7:30-4, 603-442-6770	Whitefield, NH
7/14/2020 Tues.	<b>Road Walk ***</b>	Down mostly paved Tigertown Road, 2 miles. Easy. *** Car spot. Possible swim in the White River. <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	West Hartford, VT
7/18/2020 Sat.	<b>Hike (poss. Camping before/after)</b>	East Pond from Kancamagus Hwy. Out-and-back. Bring your own lunch for leisurely picnic at beautiful pond; views of Scar Ridge & Mt. Osceola. 7.4 miles round trip, 1850' elev. gain. Moderate. WMNF parking fee; Nat. Park passes valid. Possibility to camp the night before and/or after at WMNF primitive campground (Fee). Rain date Sun. 7/19 <b>Leader:</b> France Menk 845-750-5261	Lincoln, NH
7/20/2020 Mon.	<b>Paddle</b>	Grafton Pond. Very scenic; no power boats above 5 mph. Miles of nooks & crannies. Paddle, picnic, swim. Bring lunch. 4 - 6 mi. Easy - Moderate. PFD required. *** <b>Leaders:</b> Heinz & Inge Trebitz, 802-785-2129	Grafton, NH
7/21/2020 Tues.	<b>Dirt Road Walk ***</b>	Army Corps of Engineers Union Village Dam Recreation Area. From the dam on dirt Buzzell Bridge Road to VT-113. Possible swimming at Sandy Beach. 3.5 - 4 miles. Car spot. Easy. *** <b>Leader:</b> Lynne Miller, 802-785-4410	Thetford, VT
7/25/2020 Sat.	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger</b>	Hike w/ Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger; local history. Cloudland Rd. to Joe Ranger Rd; Thistle Hill Shelter. 3.8 mi, 600' elev. gain. Field w/ view at end. Moderate. (UVO-Sect. co-ldr Susan Ogden, susanstarchild58@gmail.com Cell phone for texts: 802-356-0428 Susan's work: Mon-Thurs 7:30-4, 603-442-6770) Meet in Woodstock for shuttle. Limit 12; <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	Pomfret, VT
7/26/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike (+ Swim)</b>	Griffith Lake & Peru Peak Shelter, Green Mtn. Nat. Forest. 5.5 mi. (3.8 mi. woods road, 1.7 mi. trails), 500' elevation gain. Swimming possible. Moderate. <b>Leader:</b> Dick Andrews, 802-885-3201	Danby, VT
7/28/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike (+ Swim)</b>	Trail & gravel road around Lowell Lake. Attractive state park, Revolutionary War-era cemetery, beach (swimming possible!), views. 3.3 mi, 300' elevation gain. Easy. <b>Leader:</b> Dick Andrews, 802-885-3201	Londonderry, VT
8/1/2020 Sat.	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger</b>	Hike w/ Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger; local history. Joe Ranger Rd to VT-14/White River (W. Htfd, VT). 3.3 mi, 300' elev. gain, 1200' down, steep at end. Hilltop pastures/views, old red pine plantation, cellar holes. Moderate. (UVO-Sect. co-ldr Bob Hagen, 802-785-4311) Meet in Woodstock for shuttle. Limit 12; <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Visitor Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	West Hartford, VT
8/1/2020 Sat.	<b>Long Trail Day: Hikes</b>	Individuals & groups will hike LT segments to complete all 272 miles in one day, raising money for GMC to continue caring for VT mountains & trails. Then continue your adventure with other hikers at local VT watering holes. <b>More info:</b> <a href="https://www.greenmountainclub.org/longtrailday/">https://www.greenmountainclub.org/longtrailday/</a>	Vermont
8/2/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	Butterfield Pond (1320'). Lollipop loop to pond, around pond, return. Short side trail to old mill site. 2.0 mi, 400' elev. gain. Short distance, but some rough footing. Moderate. <b>Leader:</b> Dick Andrews, 802-885-3201	Wilmot, NH
8/4/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike ***</b>	Milt Frye Natural Area, less than 2 miles. Easy. *** <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Norwich, VT
8/8/2020 Sat.	<b>Hike</b>	Mt. Martha (3563') & Owl's Head (3248', i.e. NOT the NH 400-Footer) via Cherry Mtn Trail & Martha's Mile. Views from both summits; unique, amazing view of Presidentials. 5.4 mi, 2450' elevation gain. Steady uphill to Mt. Martha; very short but steep rock scramble the last tiny bit to Owl's Head. Moderate - Strenuous. <b>Leaders:</b> Kathy Astraukas & Bob Hagen, 802-785-4311	Twin Mountain, NH
8/9/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	Mud Ponds, Peru Peak Wilderness, Green Mtn. Nat Forest. Tranquil remote ponds. 5.6 mi (4.4 mi on Old Job Trail, 1.2 mi. bushwhack), 800' elevation gain. Moderate. <b>Leader:</b> Dick Andrews, 802-885-3201	Danby, VT
8/11/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike ***</b>	White River Ledges Natural Area. Conserved land way above the river. 1.7 mile loop. Easy. *** NO DOGS. <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Pomfret, VT

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8/15/2020 Sat.	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger</b>	Hike w/ Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger; local history. Tigertown/ Podunk Rd south to Newton Lane/ Cossingham Rd. (we will hike in reverse, southbound). Happy Hill Shelter. 5 mi, 700' elevation gain, 1400' descent. Moderate. (UVO co-ldr Tom Kahl, 207-692-7495) Meet in Woodstock for shuttle. Limit 12; <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Visitor Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	Norwich, VT
8/16/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike (+ Swim)</b>	Whiteface Mtn, VT (3714'), on the Long Trail in the Sterling range. Beaver Meadow/Chilcoat/Long/ Whiteface Trails. Views! 8.9 mi, 2500' elev. gain. Strenuous. Poss. swim afterwards. <b>Leader:</b> Susan Ogden- work Mon-Thurs 7:30-4, 603-442-6770; Cell phone for texts: 802-356-0428; susanstarchild58@gmail.com	Morrisville, VT
8/18/2020 Tues.	<b>Hike + Swim ***</b>	Quechee Gorge, with possible swim at the bottom of the gorge. Less than 2 miles. Easy. <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Quechee, VT
8/22/2020 Sat.	<b>A.T. Hike w/ Park Ranger</b>	Hike w/ Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller Nat. Hist. Park Ranger; local history. Newton Lane to Elm St, Norwich. 2.1 mi, 200' elevation gain. Mostly gentle, with steeper down at end. Easy-Moderate. (UVO co-ldr Dick Andrews 802-885-3201) Meet in Woodstock for shuttle. Limit 12; <b>MUST RESERVE</b> during business hrs: <b>MBRNHP Visitor Center</b> 802-457-3368 ext. 222	Norwich, VT
8/23/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	Traverse: Stowe Pinnacle to Mt. Hunger via Ridge (aka Hogback), Skyline, Waterbury Trails. Views!!! 8.1 mi, 2300' elevation gain. Short car spot. Strenuous. <b>Leader:</b> Susan Ogden- work Mon-Thurs 7:30-4, 603-442-6770; Cell phone for texts: 802-356-0428; susanstarchild58@gmail.com	Waterbury, VT
8/25/2020 Tues	<b>Walk ***</b>	Mostly paved road. Big views. From Rte 132 up Kerwin Hill Road to Patrell Road, then down to Union Village Road at Goodrich Four Corners. Almost 3 miles. Easy. *** Car spot. <b>Leader:</b> Inge Brown, 802-280-8017	Norwich, VT
8/29/2020 Sat.	<b>Hike</b>	Lost Pond Bog, Big Branch Wilderness, Green Mtn. Natl. Forest. Floating bog mat, pitcher plants, etc. 7.5 mi (6 mi. Long Trail, 1.5 mi. bushwhack). 1300' elevation gain. Moderate. <b>Leader:</b> Dick Andrews, 802-885-3201	Danby, VT
8/30/2020 Sun.	<b>Hike</b>	North (4761') and South (4902') Twin Mtns, White Mtn. Nat. Forest. 11.2 mi, 3700' elev. gain. North Twin Trail & North Twin Spur. Views!!! Parts of trail steep & eroded. One likely wet/deep stream ford; bring water shoes. Very Strenuous. <b>Leader:</b> Annie Janeway 413-374-0988 ajaneway@gmail.com	Twin Mtn, NH
<b>ADVANCE NOTICE:</b> 9/18-21 Fri.- Mon.	<b>Hike, Paddle, Cycle, Swim, Walk, Relax, Camp</b>	Come for any or all days, camping in lean-tos or in your own tent at one of the State Parks in Groton State Forest. Choice of many activities, some with a group, some on your own. Pot luck suppers; on your own for the rest of the food. Site cost to be divided among participants; cost depends on how many sign up. Sign up by Sept. 10. Camping at one park allows free access to the others. (Otherwise, day use fee applies.) <b>Leader:</b> Susan Ogden- work Mon-Thurs 7:30-4, 603-442-6770; Cell phone for texts: 802-356-0428; susanstarchild58@gmail.com UVO Section Members only	Groton, VT



**Social Distancing? Before and After**

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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 #: \_\_\_\_\_

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