



# THE BUZZ

*November, 2008*

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 12, 2008**

**7:00 pm @ the Bee Hive**

***THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH (Sept.-April)***

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am writing this October 26, 2008 the rainstorm and wind we received last night cleaned most of the remaining leaves off the trees and the fall season has changed again since the last newsletter. Most of us have seen SNOW coming down by now and the club is getting ready for the season to come.

The officers and directors and club members present at last month's meeting voted to have the club purchase our Piston Bully PB200. The purchase of the machine by the club has many financial advantages over our current lease with VAST. The club will have to obtain a loan to keep us from completely emptying the club's accounts. Hopefully the current financial situation will not prevent us from obtaining financing and at this point TD Banknorth's small business loan representative says it looks good.

**Trailmaster Justin Jennett** would like to report the Orange trail reroute has been completed and all seeded and mulched. After many years of letting us have access to their side lawn the Knapp family requested the club to move the trail. Trailmaster Justin Jennett and Director Dave Watson worked out a solution that hopefully will work out for the landowner and to the club's advantage. We will still cross route 302 in the very same place in Orange village and onto the Knapp's front lawn once we cross the highway the trail will take a sharp right-hand turn and head towards the Orange cemetery access drive and will use the drive to cross the brook and then take a left-hand turn into the woods and connect to the existing trail that we use to come out behind the Knapp's house.

Also Justin reports the wash out near Washington Electric Coop's maintenance garage has been repaired as well as a washout further down the same trail just past Whistling Arrow Archery Club behind Gillies shop. The twin culverts were washed 150' beyond the previous trail crossing of the brook. The culverts have been reinstalled along with added concrete construction blocks and plenty of VT clay to let the water hopefully wash over the culverts in the spring or after a summer storm and not wash out the trail. Justin reports the culvert completely washed out between Gillies and Laquerres has been replaced with a bridge. This bridge was previously used in Orange on the Knapp's side lawn and was moved to East Montpelier to repair this important secondary trail and save the club some dollars in the process.

Many small projects were completed during volunteer weekend, replacement of the runners on the old rail road bridge behind Dunkin Donuts/Simons Gas and a trail reroute off the road near the Moran's house are a couple of the projects completed.

**Membership Chairperson, Patti Booska**, says the TMA's are coming from VAST and will be distributed to all our sale outlets as soon as possible after she receives them.

**Remember to purchase your early bird TMA before December 15<sup>th</sup> and save.**

Fundraising for our Club is also off and running. As you all know, it takes substantially more monies than just your **Club** dues to make this all work. We will have our **Sno-Bees \$20 Monthly Raffle Tickets** for sale this month. Please look to the **Sno-Bees Members** who have them for sale. If you need one, you can always stop by and see **Ron at Brookside** to get one. Also, we are going to be making plans for our **Official Sno-Bees \$100 Dinner Raffle** that will be held again at the **Canadian Club**. Last year was a great time and I am looking forward to this event this year.

**Groton State Forest New Proposed Trail:** Come to the November Monthly Meeting and you will hear more about our efforts to secure a new trail into Groton State Forest.

**Get Involved!**

**Thanks Jim Morrill President**

**2008 Sno-Bees**

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