



# Town of Pittsford Newsletter

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## TRANSFER STATION OPERATION CHANGES SUMMER 2011

### End to Cash Transactions

Effective August 10, 2011, the Transfer Station staff will no longer accept cash for the dumping of bags or cans of garbage or the purchase of punch cards (Punch cards may still be purchased at the Transfer Station by check).

As always, punch cards may be purchased at the Town Clerk/Treasurer's office by cash or check, either in person, through the mail, or via the "drop box" outside the Town Office building. Those customers who forget their punch cards may use cash to purchase punch cards at Keith's Country Store or Kamuda's Country Market (only during Transfer Station hours of operation).

### Receipt System

Effective August 24, the Attendant will be handing out receipts indicating the number of bags and/or cans of garbage declared by the customer upon entry into the Transfer Station. The Compactor Operator may ask to see your receipt while you are dumping your garbage.

Please cooperate with Town staff as they implement these changes.  
Thank you.



## TRANSFER STATION PERMIT STICKER 2012

The one-year Transfer Permit Sticker renewal fee for use November 1, 2011 through October 31, 2012 will be \$15.00. The new stickers will be available at the Town Clerk/Treasurer's office, 426 Plains Road between September 1, 2011 and October 31, 2011. Extra punch cards available: 10-bag card/\$20.00 & 20-bag card/\$40.00. It is important to have the new 2012 stickers visible on vehicles **by November 1, 2011** so the Transfer Station attendants can identify Pittsford property owners. Thank you!

## NOTICE RE PROPERTY TAXES 7/1/2011 TO 6/30/2012

Summer time means baseball, hot dogs...and property tax bills. The Grand List has been lodged by the Listers and tax rates have been set by the Select Board, based on the FY2012 budgets approved at Town Meeting in March. Property tax bills were sent out to Pittsford property owners on July 21, 2011.

For the past three years, in view of ongoing tough economic times, the Select Board and Town Manager have worked together to "level fund" its General Fund and Highway Fund budgets. They have also returned \$270,000 to the taxpayers over the past two years in tax relief by using General Fund surplus funds to reduce tax rates.

However, the Select Board has now returned all of the General Fund surplus that its external auditors feel is prudent. Therefore, the tax rates set this summer do not include the application of any surplus funds. As a result, even though FY2012 budgets for the General Fund and Highway Fund remain the same as they were for the past two years, rates for most taxpayers will be higher, as will the property tax bills based on those rates.

**BIG LENNY'S HOT DOG WAGON JOINS THE PITTSFORD HARVEST FAIR**

Join us, and Big Lenny, for the 7th annual Home Grown-Hand Made Harvest Fair & Craft Show on Saturday, October 1st on the Village Green. The fair starts at 10:00 a.m. and runs until 4 p.m., rain or shine. This is what you'll find at the Fair...

- Hand-made artisan home décor items
- Jewelry and gemstones
- Photography
- Locally grown produce
- Baked goods and preserves
- Maple products
- Big Lenny's Hot Dog Wagon
- Giant Pumpkin weight-guessing contest
- Youth Jack-o-Lantern decorating competition/exhibit
- Raffle gift baskets
- Your neighbors and friends!

Bring the kids to visit the farm animals and dairy booth with young-at-heart-activities.

All net proceeds from the fair go to help our neighbors through the Bowen-Walker Fund of Pittsford. So come to the fair, shop for the holidays, rent a booth, have a hot dog and some of Lenny's famous sauces, or volunteer to help with set-up or clean-up on October 1st, 2011. Contact Barb Pierce at 483-0074 or [292oxbowrd@comcast.net](mailto:292oxbowrd@comcast.net).



Thank you all for your continued support.



**MACLURE LIBRARY**

**Summer Arts Party**

**Saturday, July 30, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

*Pittsford Recreation Area*



Let's make something! This program involves building with wood, carving stone, and painting with watercolors. Groups are divided by age and preschoolers will have a special section just for them! Children in 1st grade and up will work with stone, wood and watercolors. Wear old clothes. *Sign up required.*

**Rain site: Lothrop Cafeteria**

**End of Summer Party Wed., August 17, 10 a.m.**

*Pittsford Recreation Area*

All we'll tell you is that balloons, water and face painting are involved. Reading certificates given. Come, be surprised, and have fun. *No sign up required. All ages.*

**Rain Date: Friday, August 19, 10 a.m.**

**One World, Many Stories Summer Reading Program**

There's plenty of summer left and it's not too late to sign up for our summer reading program, *One World, Many Stories*. This is a fun way to include reading and related activities into summer family time while maintaining or even improving your child's reading skills. So far, almost 100 children have signed up! Mrs. Surlow plans a special party for all the children who participate, don't be left out!

\* Decide how much you will read each week - number of hours, chapters, or books.

\*Each week bring in your reading log for a popsicle coupon good for Kamuda's Market.

\* Keep reading and have a summer filled with popsicles, books and fun!

\*Read *anything* from the library -picture books, manga, easy readers or chapter books.

**Listen up Vermont**

Access a diverse collection of audio titles spanning fiction and non-fiction from foreign language to mysteries. You will need to contact the library for a password, but other than that, it's easy!

Downloaded to a computer from home or the library and then transferred to portable devices, such as MP3 players or iPod & many titles can be burned to CD.

**Heritage Quest Online**

Call for your password to visit this resource for census data, family records and local histories. This collection assembles every extant U.S. federal census, banking and military records, genealogies, local histories, primary source materials, and genealogical and local history serials.

**Consumer Reports**

Call for your password to visit this online resource for valuable buying advice, product reliability data, and scientific tests and ratings of thousands of products every year.

**Remember to keep an eye out for our sidewalk sign for upcoming events. If you are interested in e-mail notification of library events, please call 483-2972 and we will add you to our list.**



**JACK O' LANTERN CONTEST**



The Marble Valley Grange #567 is once again sponsoring its annual Jack O'Lantern contest on Saturday, October 1st in conjunction with the Pittsford Harvest Fair. Each year has brought a unique and interesting assortment of submissions. All entries will be displayed during hours of the Fair with prizes awarded for each of the categories. This vehicle for artistic expression is not just for children. Age groups are: A-7 yrs. & under; B-8 to 11 yrs.; C-12 to 15 yrs.; D-16 yrs. & up. Categories are: 1- Carved pumpkins; 2- Painted pumpkins; 3- Vegetable-Fruit Decorated; and, 4- Miscellaneous. Pick up applications at the Town Office, Maclure Library, Keith's Deli, Winslow Berry Farm or by email: [292oxbowrd@comcast.net](mailto:292oxbowrd@comcast.net).

## LISTERS

### Grievances

The Listers heard a number of grievances; all were resolved and none went to the Board of Civil Authority. We thank Pittsford property owners for feed back and constructive involvement during the grievance period.

### Information Resource

The Listers office is responsible for creating the base-line of information about real property in the Town. From this information the tax rate is derived and the Town expenses are funded. In addition, this information is useful to many including Townspeople, appraisers, lawyers, realtors, the Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Town Clerk, etc. We are enjoying the challenge of maintaining fair and accurate records and try to be helpful whenever we are asked for assistance. Several times a year, we attend classes and conferences to gain new knowledge and expertise.

### Zoning Permits

We remind residents that Zoning Permits are required to remove a building or a portion of a building and for new construction. The Zoning Administrator is Amy Loomis, 483-6500 ext. 18. Hours: Tues & Wed 1:30pm – 4:00pm. Thursday 4:00pm – 6:00pm.

### Welcome Back Linda

We welcome back our very knowledgeable Listers' Secretary, Linda Trask, who has been recovering from a broken ankle.

**The Pittsford Business Community Group** will be having a breakfast meeting on Tuesday, August 2nd, 8:30 a.m. at JR's Eatery.

Help celebrate Pittsford's 250th & promote tourism by displaying our beautiful lawn signs, "**Pittsford's Got You Covered**", and "**Celebrating 250 Years**". The 1761 covered bridge design was created by Winning Image Graphix. They can be purchased for \$10.



Look for us at the Bowen Walker Harvest Fair on Sat., Oct. 1st with a **Business Market** booth, featuring produce, artisan items, local gift certificates & more.

For information call Kelley Lyon at 483-2218, or email [vtmusictherapy@comcast.net](mailto:vtmusictherapy@comcast.net). Please visit our website at [www.pittsfordbusinesscommunity.com](http://www.pittsfordbusinesscommunity.com), for more business news and events.

## PITTSFORD FOOD SHELF

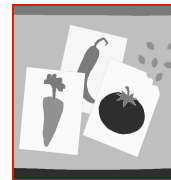
Serving Pittsford, Proctor & Florence &  
NOW Chittenden



The Pittsford Food Shelf would like to thank all those who have so faithfully donated your home grown veggies. What comes in usually goes out the same day. So we thank you and encourage anyone with a garden who has extra produce to feel free to drop it by the Food Shelf Mon. 9-11 a.m.; Tues. 1-3 p.m.; and Thurs. 4-6 p.m.. It won't go to waste.

Last week we got word that we will be helping Chittenden residents with their food needs thanks to St. Alphonsus Parish. When St. Roberts Church in Chittenden sold, a certain amount of money was set aside for 5 years to help Chittenden residents. That money will come to Pittsford in a yearly installment. Chittenden residents must provide proof of residency with a utility bill. Any questions, call Robin at 483-2967.

Once again, Camp Betsy Cox is helping out in the community. Part of the camp's requirements is community service. These young ladies and their counselors are from all parts of the country and are a fine group to work with. The first Wednesday of the month, the girls help out with commodities and they help out on a weekly basis at the Food Shelf. Weekly they help Barbara & Dick Hammond pull weeds in their garden as the sole purpose of the garden is produce for the Food Shelf. Thanks Barbara & Dick for another bountiful year.



We are serving about 90 families a month and 280 people. The need is still out there and so too is the need for your contributions. Please send your tax deductible donations to Pittsford Food Shelf, P O Box 553, Pittsford, VT 05763 (remember 94% of all money received goes back into food for the communities) or stop by the food shelf with your donations. If we are not open, go inside Keith's Country Store and take a left...go to the Food Shelf's squishy door and there is a yellow box for canned, boxed or paper items, laundry detergent, etc. Please do not leave anything outside the Route 7 door as the weather and bugs can ruin your donations. NEEDED: Paper & plastic bags (preferably from non-smokers).

I can't say thank you enough to Jon, Monica & Jona Keith as without their donated space and all the volunteers & community donations, the Food Shelf would not be what it is today...ONE of the BEST in the State of Vermont.

Anyone or any group who would like a tour of the Food Shelf or has questions, feel free to give Robin a call at 483-2967.

## PITTSFORD RECREATION AREA SWIM LESSONS

Our last swim lesson session for 2011 is August 1-12!!!  
Sign up today at the Town Offices before it's too late.

For more information call Randy Adams, Recreation Director, 483-6500 ext. 17.

**“PITTSFORD SENIORS”**

Senior citizens of Pittsford have organized a senior group. Pittsford Seniors meet at the Maclure Library on the 1st Friday of each month at 9:00 am. Meetings end right at 10:00 am so folks can attend “Bone Builders” at the Village Manor. All seniors in the Pittsford area are invited and encouraged to attend. Come and bring your ideas! Any questions call Randy Adams at the Town Offices 483-6500 ext.17 or email him at [Rsadams11@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Rsadams11@myfairpoint.net).

**Pittsford Senior Group Luncheon Menu  
August 2011-December 2011**

<b><u>Luncheon Date:</u></b>	<b><u>MENU:</u></b>	<b><u>MUST RSVP by:</u></b>
<b>August 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Chicken Salad, Vegetable &amp; Pasta Salad</b>	<b>August 16<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>September 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Spaghetti, French Bread, Green Beans</b>	<b>September 20<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>October 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Oriental Pork, Fried Rice, Macaroon Cupcakes</b>	<b>October 18<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>November 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Turkey Dinner, Green Beans, Pumpkin Pie</b>	<b>November 8<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>December 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Roast Beef, Twice Baked Potato, Cookies</b>	<b>December 6<sup>th</sup></b>

A salad bar is included.

All foods are homemade, including the soup, bread, & desserts.

Suggested donation of \$4.50 for 60 and up.

Must pay \$6.00 if under age 60.

**Reservations are Necessary!**

All luncheons are on Thursdays at 1pm at the Vermont State Police Academy in Pittsford

If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please contact Randy Adams, 802 483 6500 ext 17 or [Rsadams11@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Rsadams11@myfairpoint.net).



**PRE-SEASON SOCCER CAMP**

The Pittsford Recreation Department is sponsoring a Pre-Season Soccer Summer Camp for



boys & girls grades 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>. New Otter Valley Middle School Boys Head Coach John White will be running the camp at the Pittsford Recreation Area, August 20 & 21, 9am – 1pm. This camp is open to kids who live in the Rutland North East Supervisory Union and out-lying areas (such as Proctor and Chittenden). This camp will give kids a reason to pull their soccer cleats out of the closet sooner than later and get their minds thinking about playing soccer with their friends. Each day will include skill sessions, physical fitness drills, and live games. Camp will emphasize proper soccer techniques and attitude in an effort to better the player’s game & character.

Participants will be divided appropriately by age and skill level.

The fee for each child is \$10. (Checks can be made out to the Pittsford Recreation Department.) Fee includes: a camp T-shirt along with free swimming at the Pittsford Swim Area each day after their workouts.

**Registration deadline is Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>** with Randy Adams, Recreation Director, Pittsford Recreation Department 483-6500 ext.17. For more information go to [www.pittsfordvermont.com](http://www.pittsfordvermont.com).

## **PITTSFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

### **Pittsford Youth Soccer**

Early registration for Pittsford Youth Soccer is now open. The program is open to boys & girls, pre-k (must be 4 at the beginning of the season) through fourth grade. Pre-k through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will join Randy Adams as he teaches basic skills through fun & exciting drills and scrimmages. Third and fourth graders, if numbers permit, will be placed gender-specific teams with a schedule of games. Game Schedules will be available at the first practice, Saturday, September 3. Volunteer coaches and assistants are still needed...

**Dates:** Sept. 3—October 1st (Pre-K-2nd grade)

**Where:** Pittsford Recreation Area

**Fee:** \$20 Includes T-shirt (Sat. program only)

Age/Grade	Coach	Saturdays
Co-Ed 4&5 Yrs. Old	OV Players/Staff	8:00 – 9:00 am
Co-Ed 1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	OV Players/Staff	9:15 – 10:15 am
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Girls	TBD	10:30 – 11:45 pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Boys	TBD	10:30 – 11:45 pm

### **LOTHROP SOCCER**



5th/6th Girls Soccer

5th/6th Boys Soccer

Coach: TBD

Coach: TBD

Both the teams will practice 2-3 times a week and will play a schedule of 8-10 games. Practices for each team will begin the first week of September.

**DATES:** September thru October

**WHERE:** Upper Field, Pittsford Recreation Area

**FEE:** Free! This is a school-sponsored program.



### **GREAT ESCAPE, SIX FLAGS N. ENGLAND & BROMLEY ADVENTURE PARK TICKETS**

The Pittsford Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Vermont Recreation & Parks Association, is happy to announce that the Town is offering discounted tickets to **THE GREAT ESCAPE, SIX FLAGS of NEW ENGLAND**, and the **BROMLEY ADVENTURE PARK**. The regular season for Great Escape & Six Flags runs Memorial Day through Labor Day weekend.

**THE GREAT ESCAPE:**

VRPA tickets are \$27.00 (Regular Gate price is \$44.99 (plus tax) for a person over 48” tall and \$34.99 (plus tax) for anyone under 48”). **These tickets can be used for all ages!** Children 2 years of age and younger are free.

**SIX FLAGS of NEW ENGLAND:**

Tickets are \$30.00 (Gate price is \$44.99 for anyone over 54” tall and \$34.99 for a person under 54”). **These tickets can be used for all ages!** Children 2 years of age and younger are free.

**BROMLEY ADVENTURE PARK:**

VRPA Tickets are \$24.00 (Gate prices are \$34.00 weekdays (M-F) & \$39.00 on weekends).

Tickets are available at the Pittsford Town Offices during regular business hours. By buying your tickets from the Pittsford Recreation Department, residents can visit these amusement parks at a significantly reduced rate, but more importantly you avoid standing in long lines for your tickets!!!

**\*PAYMENT IN FORM OF EXACT CASH ONLY!!!**

### **FREE HUNTER SAFETY COURSE**

**In September or October 2011      Rick Hedding, Instructor**

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED:** TO REGISTER CALL PITTSFORD RECREATION DEPT.  
483-6500 X17.



Learn about the responsibilities that go with being a good and ethical hunter. The goal of the program is for the students to understand game laws and to help promote good sportsmanship. Other highlights are wildlife management, firearm safety, and the relationships between hunter and landowners. Location to be announced.

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Pittsford Day was a great success -- kids and grownups were obviously having a ball. Congratulations to Randy Adams and his volunteer hosts. Our booth had 1980s photos of local people and homes. Our books and maps attracted a lot of visitors including new residents in Town. Jane Orvis, Steve Belcher, Anne Pelkey and Peggy Armitage enjoyed the visitors and Odell and Carol Johnston's two fantastically decorated Creative Cookery cakes served by the Pittsford Business Community Group.

On July 16th, the Food and Tag Sale held at the Historical Society was a great success, with well over \$500 taken in. The leftover items were donated to the Lions Club Auction to be held in August. Thank you to all the volunteers and donors.

On Sun. Aug. 28 we will join the PBCG and Lothrop School to celebrate the laying of the school's cornerstone 100 years ago. The school and our museum in Eaton Hall will be open.

The next members' meeting will be at the Congregational Church Sun. Sept. 18. Ernie Clerihew will talk about his old Ford cars; you may get a short spin around the grounds! This program is open to the public, followed by a potluck supper at 6 p.m. Please bring a dish to share. We will loan the Library items related to the Town Charter for their Oct. 12 program. Our annual meeting on Sun. October 16 will feature the 250th anniversary of Pittsford's charter signed in 1761 by NH Royal Gov. Benning Wentworth.

Great Gifts to the Museum from members and friends:

From Ron Smith: Dr. H.H. Swift's records of local births and deaths that he attended in late 1800s and early 1900s; also a sign for O'Boyle's Thrifty Market on Arch Street (1940s -1950s);

From Joyce Meade: Items from the former Baptist Church parsonage and Julius Randall's cobbler shop in the Village; also a 1910 photo of Corrine (Randall) Denison in her wedding dress;

From Christine Maseroni: A tiny Psalm Book with Hymns inscribed "Jona. Tilson and Charlotte Wood, February 8, 1813" (their wedding day), found in a wall during repairs to Christine's house at Pittsford Mills.

From Patrick E. O'Brian: his semi-autobiographical novel about summers spent on his grandfather Alec Paul's farm on Elm Street. Patrick's mother, Helen (Paul) O'Brian, was Alec's daughter! You'll find the "Paulsons" in the novel. Patrick will visit us with his book in late August. He hopes to find relatives and friends here.

Contact the Pittsford Historical Society at 483-2040 or stop by the Historical Society building, 3399 US Route 7 in Pittsford Village on Tuesdays 9AM to 4 PM through mid-November or on Sundays 1 to 4PM through mid-October.

## Need to get rid of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)?

The Rutland County Solid Waste District is proud to announce that the HHW Depot at the Gleason Road Transfer Station in Rutland will now be open the following Saturdays in addition to its normal workday hours: **Saturdays** From 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Aug. 6; Sept. 3; Oct. 1, 2011. Contact Tom Remes at 770-1333 for more information. **PITTSFORD TRANSFER STATION: 12:00 to 3:00PM, Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011.**

## LOTHROP SCHOOL NEWS

At Lothrop we are seeing many hands working together through a collaborative effort of the faculty and staff. This is being achieved through the implementation of the Professional Learning Community (PLC) Model. The PLC model is based on the assumption that formal education is not to ensure students are taught but that they learn—shifting the emphasis from teaching to *learning*. In order to achieve high learning for all, colleagues must work together to answer questions about *what* to teach students, *how* to measure progress and *how* to respond when a student is struggling. Professional Learning Communities focus on results and quickly identify students who need additional time and support, emphasizing timely intervention instead of remediation. To this end, Lothrop is adding a Reading Intervention position to provide added support for upper grades as needed. The school successfully instituted a dedicated Math Lab last year.

The goal of a PLC is to produce a culture of collaboration that not only expands across classrooms, grades, and subjects, but also extends past the walls of the school and involves the community. It is a slow and time-consuming process, often requiring teachers to meet many hours each week to align curriculum across grades, disciplines, and with state standards. To borrow another epigram from Heywood, "Rome wasn't built in a day." However, in the few months since working with the PLC model, teachers have already noticed improvements.

Another example of collaboration in our educational community is evidenced by the fact that teachers, bus-drivers and Rutland North-east paraprofessionals will be beginning the school year with new contracts. In addition, all schools in the supervisory union will be collaborating by coordinating transportation through one location.

Lastly in a collaboration with the Pittsford community, Lothrop Elementary and the Historical Society will host an **open house on August 28<sup>th</sup> to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the laying of the school's cornerstone.**



Our next School Board meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 pm in the Lothrop library. Our regular meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 in the Lothrop library. We welcome your attendance and input. After all, as Heywood would say, "the more the merrier."

### PITTSFORD DAY APPRECIATION

The Pittsford Day Committee would like to thank everyone who helped make Pittsford Day 2011 a success. Fortunately, the rains held off long enough so we were able to squeeze in the day’s activities in between showers. The sun even came out for a couple of hours near the end. It’s too bad the evening portion, the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration, wasn’t as fortunate as it poured during almost the entire show.

The Pittsford Day Committee would first like to thank the families who came to the Pittsford Recreation Area to enjoy themselves. Folks were kept busy by “Diggin for Dollars”, or watching our Pittsford Police Officer Jeff Warfle and his K-9 “Doc” perform for the crowd. Some took in the pie eating contest or one of the famous Ping Pong Ball races too. DJ Derrick Cram was the MC for the afternoon. We would like to thank him for keeping the entire operation rolling along on time and making sure fun was being had by all. Thank you to all our vendors and the service groups who came out too. We would like to thank all our volunteers and staff members. Everyone did their share to make sure the event happened in a fun and safe environment.

The Pittsford Day Committee would like to this opportunity to recognize Omya as an annual sponsor of Pittsford Day. This year to help the Town of Pittsford kick off it’s 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Omya sponsored an evening concert performed by Satin & Steel. The folks who came to the concert, and stayed all evening long even through the pouring rain, were treated to a wonderful night of classic hits from years gone by. Under the pavilion at the Recreation Area, people were treated to a real intimate concert. By the end of the show, the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake donated by Odell and Carol Johnston, was the only thing sweeter than the music!



The Pittsford Day committee would like to thank tractor-owners Mark Winslow and Don Nickless for allowing us to use their tractors to pull the wagons full of people from the VT Police Academy parking lots to our event. We are thankful for their continued kindness. Thank you to the tractor drivers Reggie Charbonneau, Rob Ketcham, Kyle Rousseau, & Mark Winslow.

A special THANK YOU goes to the Frank Bovey family for allowing us to use their hay wagons. The Bovey’s lost Frank on Monday, June 27 and I want to send our condolences to his family. Frank Bovey will hold a special place in our hearts for a long time to come.

In closing, we could not have had such a wonderful day without everyone’s assistance. Thanks and enjoy the rest of your summer.

Randy S. Adams, Pittsford Recreation Director & Pittsford Day Committee Member



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PITTSFORD TRAILS

The 12 miles of walking and snowshoeing trails in Pittsford are maintained by volunteers. We have occasional 2 or 3 hour work sessions on the trails but most of the upkeep is done by our volunteers who like to walk the trails anyway. We usually take along clippers for trimming back new growth that is encroaching on the trail and also moving small branches that may have come down on the trail. Volunteers call me for any blow-downs that are too large to move and require a chain saw.

The Pittsford Trail system is a valuable asset for the Town which enables folks to walk in the fresh air through forest and meadow to maintain health, walk the dog or just enjoy the quiet of a woodland trail. Trail maps are available through the Town’s website and may be printed.

Recently, a Pittsford resident who is in a wheelchair found that he was able to enjoy portions of three of the trails: Chaffee Falls, Rec Center and Split Rock. We will strive to make our trails more accessible. For questions about the trails or to volunteer, please call Bob Harnish, 483-6220.

### DISC GOLF UPDATE

The Pittsford Recreation Area now has 18 holes of disc golf for your enjoyment!

As of this writing (July 14), all the holes on the back nine are “roughed in,” the targets and tee markers are in place and sign posts are up. What are missing are the signs for the posts and the scorecards. Both are works in progress and should be completed soon.



Please note that even though there is plenty of brush on the ground, the holes are playable. Help has been limited and while there is still plenty of tidying up to do, we felt it best to get the holes open as quick as we could. We plan to be working through the fall months making things neater. Sturdy footwear is recommended! Also, as with any time in the woods, you should check for ticks after playing. In the meantime, get out and play!

## "Sunshine Village"

Pittsford Town Office  
P.O. Box 10  
426 Plains Road  
Pittsford, VT 05763

Bulk Rate #1  
US Postage  
PAID  
Pittsford, VT 05763

***Deadline for the next Pittsford Town Newsletter will be September 15, 2011. Please send Town articles to Linda Drummond at [drummondl@myfairpoint.net](mailto:drummondl@myfairpoint.net)***

**Pittsford Municipal Offices will be closed  
Labor Day, Monday, September 5, 2011  
Columbus Day, Monday, October 10, 2011**

### **THE PITTSFORD SELECT BOARD**

meetings are on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Town Office Building, 426 Plains Road.

### **THE WATER & SEWER COMMISSION**

meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Town Office Building.

### **THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

Meetings are on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Town Office Building.

Changes to these meetings will be posted on the Town website and posted at the Town Office & post offices in Pittsford and Florence.

Water & Sewer Utility Bills were mailed on July 7th with payment due in full by August 8, 2011. Postmarks are not accepted.

Property Tax Bills were mailed on July 21, 2011. 1st payment due 8/10/11; 2nd payment due 9/12/11; payment in full due 11/10/11. Postmarks are not accepted.

Pittsford Municipal Office at 426 Plains Road is open Monday-Wednesday 8 AM- 4:30 PM; Thursday 8 AM- 6 PM & Friday 8 AM- 3 PM

Please remember that there is a locked drop box on the left side of the exit driveway at the Town Office for payments. Please place payments in an envelope and mark with parcel ID or account number and type of payment: utility or property tax. (Please do not leave cash.)

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