



Upcoming Meeting Dates:

◆ Select Board:

◆ 12-15 at 7:00pm

◆ 1-19 at 7:00pm

◆ 2-16 at 7:00pm

◆ School Board:

◆ 12-22 at 6:00pm

◆ 1-26 at 6:00pm

◆ Planning:

◆ 12-1 at 7:00pm

◆ 1-5 at 7:00pm

◆ 2-2 at 7:00pm

Dorset's 5th Annual Tractor Parade:

Friday November

27th marked the date of the 5th annual Dorset Tractor Parade. Graced with temps in the mid 50's nearly 20 proud tractor owners strutted their stuff down Route 30 from HN Williams Store and did



a couple laps around the Dorset Green. Doug Colson Kubota (pictured above) was especially festive, and even included a palm tree! Thank you to all those who participated in the parade, and thank you to Malcolm Cooper and Billy Brownlee for keeping this great event going.....can't wait until next year!

Did you know?

Our neighboring Town of Danby was settled via the rugged terrain of Danby Mountain Road off Route 30. Joseph Soper, one of the first settlers of Danby tragically perished in a snow storm on Danby Mountain on a return trip from his brother's home in Dorset. **Remember to have a winter safety kit for your vehicle!**

WE CAN DO IT WITH YOUR HELP!!!

We're happy to report that we only have \$13,000 left to purchase the Gettysburg Quarry property and expand the Owls Head Town Forest!

Interested in hiking to the Gettysburg Quarry?

Email: townmanager@gmail.com

Or call 362-4571 x 3

(VYCC Operations Director Bob Coates views the Gettysburg Quarry, photo: Shawn Harrington)



Volunteer some time with Neighbor to Neighbor!

Nighbor to Neighbor is a not for profit 501 C 3 under the umbrella of the Northshire Interfaith Council. We have a hard working Steering Committee of 12 individuals and we support ourselves by doing an annual appeal, community awareness, fundraising events and grant writing. We serve eleven Northshire towns and the fringes of Rutland County.

The purpose of Neighbor to Neighbor is to bring together dedicated volunteers to help the elderly, disabled and housebound remain independent and in their own homes for as long as possible.

The program addresses isolation and loneliness by scheduling social events that nurture friendships and build community, helping to keep our care recipients connected to each other, their volunteers and the community at large. All of our services are offered free of charge.

Since the program began in September 2004, Neighbor to Neighbor volunteers have given over twenty thousand hours of their time assisting over 200 individuals throughout our communities. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** call 367-7787



About Town.....

DORSET FIRE DISTRICT # 1:

- Meeting minutes and water report available on the town website: www.dorsetvt.org
- The week of December 8th the Dorset Water District has a planned water shutdown to fix a leak. Look for specific dates/times at the Dorset Post Office or HN Williams Store.

TOWN BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING:

The Selectboard will hold a Public Hearing on the FY2017 Town Budget on **January 19th at 7:15pm**. Once approved on January 19th, the budget will then go to the Town Report for printing in preparation for a **Town Meeting vote March 1st**.

SPRING TAX PAYMENT DUE

MARCH 8TH WITH PENALTY & INTEREST APPLIED ON MARCH 12TH

- ♦ IF MAKING TAX PAYMENT BY MAIL PLEASE NOTE:
- ♦ PAYMENTS MAILED ON THE DUE DATE MUST BE SENT CERTIFIED MAIL. REGULAR POSTMARKS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED.
- ♦ IF YOU MAIL THE PAYMENT MAKE SURE IT ARRIVES AT THE TOWN OFFICE BY MARCH 11TH TO AVOID PENALTY.
- ♦ PUT PARCEL ID NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK
- ♦ KEEP YOUR TAX BILL FOR YOUR RECORDS
- ♦ REMINDER POST CARDS WILL BE MAILED IN FEBRUARY



WORKSHOP FOR DORSET BOARD MEMBERS:

VLCT PRESENTS:

"CONDUCTING EFFECTIVE MEETINGS & HEARINGS"

By VLCT Senior Attorney Garrett Baxter, Esq.

TUESDAY JANUARY 5TH AT 7:00PM

AT THE DORSET TOWN OFFICES

112 MAD TOM ROAD EAST DORSET, VT 05251

The workshop will be targeted to members of the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Design Review Board, Board of Civil Authority, and Selectboard.

The Dorset School - Act 46 – Where we are today & the process going forward: Act 46 is the 2015 law requiring all School Districts in Vermont to work toward merging into larger School Districts. There are some tax incentives available for completing mergers, but there is also a provision in the law that, if a District does not move forward with a merger, the State will decide where that District will be merged.

Dorset joining a Merger Study Committee: The Dorset School Board believes that there have been advantages to our operating as a system with other School Districts in our Supervisory Union, and that was a major factor in The Dorset School Board's decision to join a Merger Study Committee, together with Manchester, Mountain Towns RED (Flood Brook), Sunderland, Danby and Mt. Tabor. Since the law passed, all the School Districts in the Bennington Rutland Supervisory Union have held a number of meetings – individually and as a group - to discuss options for responding to Act 46. These discussions led the individual School Districts above to conclude that one option that should be studied further would be a merger of the above School Districts.

The Merger Study Process – as per Vermont Law: Vermont Law has a long-standing process for undertaking such a School Merger Study (Title 16, Section 706). Per 706, a Merger Study Committee (“MSC”) is made up by representatives of each of the Districts considering merger. This is designed to include School Board Members and members of the public. It is worth noting that the School Boards and the Supervisory Union have no direct role in this process once the MSC is formed. The District School Board does not need to approve any recommendations. However, a School District's representatives on the MSC may decide to withdraw from the MSC, if they do not agree that the MSC continues to represent the best interests of their School District.

The Merger Study Committee generally explores an option that is expected to be worth consideration at the start of the process. However, the Merger Study Committee can decide to explore other options as well. Ultimately, the Merger Study Committee produces a report in a form set out in 706, with a recommendation – to pursue one particular option, or to not pursue any merger option. If there is a recommendation, and the State Board of Education approves the Study, then this would be put to the voters of each district for vote for their decision. If some Districts approve, but others do not, it may still be possible to move forward with a merger, excluding those Districts that voted to not participate. Under Act 46, any Districts opting out of a merger plan would likely be assigned merger partners by the State in 2019.

What would a merger mean for The Dorset School: It is important to note that Act 46 is dealing with School Districts (school governance). Act 46 does not directly talk about making changes at the School level. In Vermont, most School Districts are organized at the Town level – one District for one Town, as in Dorset. This law seeks to create larger School Districts which would be charged with providing education to our kids across several Towns, and generally in several Schools. The local Town School Board would be replaced by a new School Board representing several Towns. Act 46 does not specify any changes in the Schools used to educate students – but the new larger Board would oversee the existing Schools, and would decide how best to educate our students in that larger District, going forward. There is no suggestion that the State would be prepared to undertake any process of creating new and bigger Schools to replace existing Schools – as that would be a very large financial undertaking.

Has a decision been made on how we will move forward under Act 46?: The Dorset School Board believes that there have been advantages to our operating as a system with other School Districts in our Supervisory Union and that there should be advantages to continuing this partnership as we are required to change our governance structure. We believe that being united in one Board could enable us to continue to gain economies of scale, coordinate general teacher content and methodologies, while preserving the uniqueness and the character of each school in the district. However, the Dorset School Board does not believe that we have “the answer” to the best new governance structure for the education of our children. We expect to be active participants in the Merger Study process, and we do want to assure you that we will continue to look out for the best interests of Dorset's children as we undertake this Study Process. And, we believe it is important to keep in mind that the voters of Dorset will have the final say in any change in governance.

The Dorset School (continued):

Act 46 Public Meetings Held So Far for the Town of Dorset: September 22, 2015 at 6:00 PM. The Superintendent outlined the meaning and implications of Act 46 - GNAT video:

<http://vp.telvue.com/player?id=T01807&category=Dorset%20SchoolBoard>

October 27, 2015 at 6:00 PM. A public forum held in which the public was invited to provide input on Act 46 and how the Town of Dorset might respond to the law – GNAT video: <http://vp.telvue.com/player?id=T01807&video=253670>

November 16, 2015 at 6:00 PM. A discussion was conducted reviewing the implications of joining a Merger Study Committee - GNAT video: <http://vp.telvue.com/preview?id=T01807&video=256127>

The Dorset School Board will continue to hold public meetings in which Act 46 information can be gathered and disseminated.

Other resources to learn more about Act 46

Manchester Journal: The Manchester Journal has put together a special section for articles and information related to Act 46 – it can be accessed at the Manchester Journal website and at: http://www.manchesterjournal.com/local/ci_29122379/act-46-an-overview

BRSU Website: The BRSU website has a section devoted to Act 46, which can be accessed here: http://brsu.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=282189&type=d

Agency of Education: The Agency of Education has a section of their website devoted to Act 46, which can be accessed here: <http://education.vermont.gov/laws/2015/act-46>

The Dorset Field of Dreams

All fundraising money for the 2015-2016 school year will be going to our New Project: The Dorset Field of Dreams.

We are investing in our children's sport teams, physical education classes, field days, picnics and recess fun. We are looking to regrade, repair, re-seed, add fencing, new goals, new scoreboards and more. We are reaching out to local businesses who can contribute time, labor and materials to our project. All individuals and businesses will be recognized permanently on our Honor Board and at our Field Dedication Ceremony in the Fall.

If you are interested in being part of this wonderful project please contact Lisa Brand: lisajbrand@yahoo.com.

What? DOLLAR SKATE

When? Sunday December 13TH

Time?: 1-3pm

Where? Riley Rink

Bake Sale also!

*All funds go toward the
Dorset School
Washington DC trip*



The Dorset Village Library

Library Hours: M,W & Fri: 11am to 5pm
T, Th & Sat: 10am to 3pm

Please visit the new library website www.dorsetvillagelibrary.org and “like” Dorset Village Library on Facebook for up-to-date news and access to our digital services.



December artist of the month: Jeanine Baum

The featured artist at the Dorset Public Library during the month of December will be artist Jeanine Baum. The public is invited to meet Jeanine at the opening reception on Saturday, December 5 from 11-1pm. Refreshments will be served. All works are for sale, with a portion of the proceeds going to benefit the library.

Jeanine is a passionate local artist, wherever being a local might take her. She works in pastels as well as oils and mostly paints the landscape and cityscapes that she encounters in her everyday life. Primary foci of her work include rural Vermont, New York City, Eastern Florida and the estuaries of the Southern Jersey Shore. Jeanine’s work is exhibited at several galleries including Ris Gallery (Stone Harbor, NJ), Galeria West (Westfield, NJ) and Depot Street Gallery (Ludlow, VT). Her paintings have also been shown at The Art Studio of New York, The Papermill Playhouse (Millburn, NJ), The Westfield Town Art Show and the Designer House Showcase (Cape May, NJ).



Jeanine has a BS in Medical Technology from UNH and an MBA from Seton Hall. After leaving a life of pharmaceutical sales at Pfizer behind, she decided to pursue her passion for art full-time. She has attended classes at the DuCret School of Art (Plainfield, NJ), The School of Visual Arts (Summit, NJ), as well as attending workshops here and abroad.

The library’s hours are M-F 11-5pm and Sat 10-3pm. Call 802-867-5774 for more information.

Upcoming Events: Facebook Class & Star Wars Party

PUBLIC NOTICES/ REMINDERS:

- ◇ **WINTER WEATHER ALERT! PLEASE DRIVE SLOW AND SAFE IN THE ICE & SNOW!
TO REPORT A ROAD RELATED ISSUE CALL 362-5244**
- ◇ **Next Tax Payment Due: Tuesday March 8, 2016**
- ◇ **JISP, RILEY RINK, and MPR Winter programs are eligible for recreation discounts. Visit www.dorsetvt.org to learn more...**
- ◇ **The Town Offices will be closed on Friday December 25, 2015 & Friday January 1, 2016**

Dorset Gingerbread House Contest:



Dorset Gingerbread House Contest and Tour 2015

Throughout the holiday period, Dorset's first Gingerbread House Contest and Tour will be taking place. Professional chefs and amateur bakers will show their gingerbread designs at a variety of locations around the town. Judges will determine the winner of the contest on December 7. There is a cash prize for the Gingerbread House selected as the best in both professional and amateur classes, and a prize drawing for someone who posts a "Selfie With Gingerbread" on the Chamber's

Facebook page. A guide to display locations will be available online at www.dorsetvt.com.

The History of Today's Local Farmer's Market by Malcolm Cooper Jr.

Reprinted with permission: J.K. Adams is proud to host The Dorset Farmer's Market from October through May each year. The Dorset Farmers Market moved inside last weekend!

Throughout most of its history Vermont has been an agricultural state. The earliest settlers cleared trees to plant crops and used the timber for housing and fuel. Millions of acres of hardwoods were cut and cooked into charcoal.



Original settlers lived on small subsistence farmsteads on the hillsides as the valley were often marshy and wet. By 1800, Vermont farmers had cleared about 90% of the trees to create pastures for the millions of Merino sheep which would supply wool to the many water powered spinning mills along the rivers in Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Wherever there was a waterfall, brick mills were built and filled with looms manned by immigrant laborers who created the fabric for a growing nation. Sheep were eventually replaced by dairy cows and in the early 1900's Vermont was known to have more cows than people. Then, with the improvements in transportation and refrigeration, the flat rich farmland of the Midwest began replacing New England as the low

cost producer of most all agricultural products and Vermont's landscape changed once again. Dairy farms slowly disappeared until only a few in the occasional rich flat valleys remained into the next century. Hillside farm pastures grew up in brush then back to forest or were developed into residential housing. Farming in Vermont seemed doomed. Today, a resurgence of agricultural activity is building as people become more concerned and educated about the food they are eating. Is it healthy, organic, and humanely raised? Is it fresh? Is it local? Slowly and quietly small farms are coming back to life, growing everything imaginable and much of it is sold at local farmers markets.

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History of the Farmer's Market (continued):

Every weekend during the summer several dozen local producers set up tables and tents and lay out colorful displays of meats and veggies. These markets became “the” local meeting place. There is often live entertainment and activities for the kids. The selection grows as the late summer and early fall ripens the produce and the harvest begins in earnest. Ironically the cold fall temperatures make it less and less pleasant for these farmers and shoppers to convene outside and attendance can drop off. Many local markets close down for the winter. Some in larger towns and cities find an abandoned warehouse or grange hall to continue. The Dorset Farmers Market moves into our 35,000 square foot heated woodworking factory. The vendors set up shop among piles of hardwood parts and shiny modern woodworking machines. Nearly 20 years ago the JK Adams Co. decided to experiment with the market to try to draw more visitors (shoppers) to the factory outlet store. We invited some local crafts people and farmers to set up their wares on the Friday after Thanksgiving, a.k.a. Black Friday. The concept was an immediate hit. Several more years of black Friday markets occurred before it was decided to add the weekend market. Today, on every Sunday from mid-October until mid-May shoppers can find vendors selling the finest fresh produce & fruit, pasture raised meats, free range eggs, award winning cheese & wine, fresh baked breads & pastries, specialty jams & preserves, maple syrup & honey, an array of prepared foods and unique artisan wares. Often live music is played on the upper balcony outside The Kitchen Store's retail space.



JK Adams charges the vendors a small fee to help defray the cost of heat and time spent rearranging the shop floor to make room each week. The farmers get a unique venue adjacent to a well know, local store with plenty of parking, bathroom facilities and possibly the most interesting exhibitor space in the Northeast. Customers love studying the machines and wood products in various stages of completion while they are shopping for Brussel Sprouts, heirloom apples and Asian spring rolls. This is a truly symbiotic cooperative arrangement that is a win-win for the farmers and the factory.

Please stop by the Market any Sunday from 10am – 2pm to check it out yourself!

The Kitchen Store at J.K. Adams—1430 Route 30, Dorset, VT—866-362-4422—www.jkadams.com

The Kitchen Store Hours: Monday – Saturday 9:00 – 5:30 and Sunday 10:00 – 5:00

-Malcolm Cooper, Jr.



NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

To learn more about our winter events, call the Visitor Center at 802-394-7836. For outdoor events, please dress for the weather: sturdy shoes/boots, layered clothing, raingear, flashlight, snacks and water. All outdoor events are held weather permitting: if there's any question please call the Visitor Center to confirm that an event will be held.

Holiday Sleigh rides

By Appointment in December & January. Please call 802.394.7836.

Sweetheart Sleigh: This sleigh carries two to three passengers and costs \$150.

Advance Reservations are required due to limited availability and scheduling considerations. Membership Discount applies. The season for sleighrides at Merck is nearly upon us. Your holiday celebrations will be all the more special with memories of a forty-five minute jaunt through fields and forest. Wool blankets are provided--but dress for the cold!

For the Birds: Making Bird Treats

Date/Time: Monday, December 28, 2015 from 1pm to 3pm

Cost: \$5 per child. Space is limited, so register early. We'll start off with observing bird feeders to see who is visiting, then move indoors to learn more about the birds we might spot at our bird feeder. Who are they? How can we tell who is who? What do they like to eat? Then we'll create some tasty bird treats for you to take home and put out for your own feathered friends to snack on! For children 5 to 10 years old; parent or guardian must be present.

Nature's Critters: Making Critter Ornaments

Date/Time: Tuesday, December 29, 2015. Drop in between noon and 3pm.

Cost: \$5 per child. Space is limited, so register early. Get creative in this fun workshop! We'll have a variety of natural materials to work with, including pinecones, acorns, birch bark, wool and a variety of craft supplies for you to create your own whimsical natural creatures. For children 5 to 10 years old; parent or guardian must be present.

Snowshoe Hike by Moonlight

Date/Time: Saturday, January 23, 2016 at 5:30pm

Cost: \$5 per person fee includes refreshments after the hike. Crisp mountain air, the glint of moonlight off the snow pack, the scritch-scratch sound of leaves brushing against against a tree branch, and perhaps the serenade of a distant coyote. It's the romance of the wild Vermont hills: come take a walk on the wild side with Merck staff. If there's snow, bring showshoes and poles.

Twilight Owl Ramble

Date/Time: Saturday, February 20, 2016 at 6:30pm

Cost: \$5 per person fee includes refreshments after the walk. Join Executive Director Tom Ward for an evening ramble through the forest to listen for the courting calls of Barred, Great-Horned, Saw-whets and Screech Owls. You'll want to dress for the cold weather and (potentially) snow, and to bring a flashlight.



YESTER HOUSE GALLERIES
November 14th - January 3rd

November 14th – January 3rd, 2016

[Opening Reception on Saturday, Nov. 14th 2-4 pm]

Yester House Galleries. Come up the hill and view this special exhibition to close 2015, a year in which SVAC cele-

brates 65 years of owning the Webster Estate. This exhibition will show the works of important figures from our Permanent Collection, in Gallery II, with works of invited current artist members on exhibition throughout the rest of Yester House. Such an exhibit will allow the viewer a rare opportunity to compare artwork of different genres, time periods, and styles to see what has maintained, what has waned, and all the different nuances in between.



Dear Members,

The calendar has changed. Next artist member exhibition opens on January 9th 2016.

Submissions at the gallery will start on December 27th of 2015 through January the 3rd of 2016.

JISP- Junior Instruct. Skating/Sport Program

JISP (Junior Instructional Skating/Sport Program) is skating program designed for all skaters ages 5yrs-13yrs. It is a structured curriculum for all levels. Northshire Skating Academy's basic skills instructors will evaluate every student to assure appropriate level placement based on your child's ability. **JISP Fee \$129.00 (nine weeks) The fee includes rental skates, 30 min lesson and 75 free skate (Town of Dorset offers 25% discount to this program!)**

Dates for JISP 2016 Semester

TUESDAY: Jan 5, 12, 19, 26 Feb 2, 9, 23 March 8, 15

WEDNESDAY: Jan 6, 13, 20, 27 Feb 3, 10, 24 March 9, 16

THURSDAY: Jan 7, 14, 21, 28 Feb 4, 11, 25 March 10, 17

FRIDAY: Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb 5, 12, 26 March 11, 18

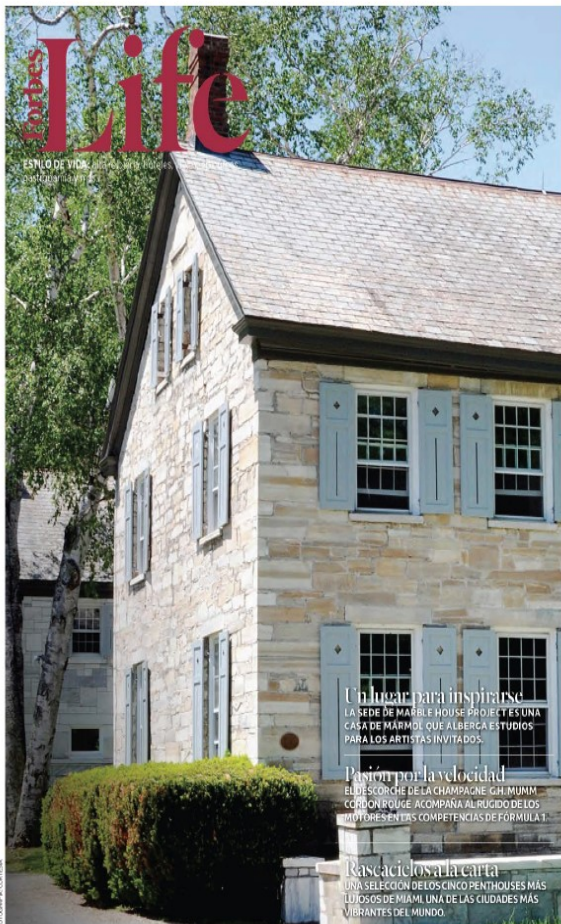


Support Dorset Marble House Project:

DORSET MARBLE HOUSE PROJECT: DONATE NOW

Dear Friends of Marble House Project,
 As Marble House Project enters its third year of programming there are a lot of exciting things happening. In 2016 we will host over 60 artists, and continue to engage the community through lectures, performance and open studios. The program is offered free of charge to the artists, who are selected through a competitive process, and all ART-Seed events are free and open to the community. Marble House Project will begin year round programming in 2016. This means more artists, more community events, more culture and more workshops. **WE ARE GROWING.** Our farm is growing, our artists are growing and our community is growing. If you have come to any of our events you know what we do. If you have not, we invite you to participate.

When you support Marble House Project, you support creativity, sustainability, interactive relationships and the arts. We started it but we cannot sustain it without you. Please consider giving. Whether, large or small, we deeply appreciate any support you are able to give and we thank you in advance. Marble House Project is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. All donations are fully tax-deductible to the extent provided by law. For more information on how to give please contact Info@MarbleHouseProject.org TO DONATE VISIT: WWW.MARBLEHOUSEPROJECT.ORG



Dorset Players Winter Lineup!



The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Performances are December 4-6 and 11-13, 2015

This Play tells the story of Imogene, Claude, Ralph, Leroy, Ollie, and Gladys, six delinquent children surnamed Herdman who engage in misfit behavior for their age such as smoking, drinking jug wine, and shoplifting. They go to church for the first time after being told that the church offers snacks. Despite protests from other church members, they are given roles in the Sunday School's Christmas play, in which they tell the Christmas Story in a nonconventional fashion.

This production calls for 4 men, 6 women, 8 boys, and 9 girls. Directed by Kevin O'Toole.



A Christmas Carol Performances are December 19th & 20th

In dramatic Readers Theatre style is presented by *Shakespeare on Main Street*. A novella that tells the story of bitter, old miser Ebenezer Scrooge and his transformation resulting from supernatural visits by Jacob Marley and the Ghosts of Christmases Past, Present, and Yet to Come.

Peter and Wendy



Conceived and Written by Michael McGill

Music and Lyrics by Michael McGill

Every year Dorset Players invites MCT for a week-long residency to work with local children to help develop talent, broaden horizons and encourage teamwork and responsibility in young people. What we end up with is a staged production starring 50-60 local school age children in a full-scale musical. This year's production will be *Peter and Wendy*. **The week long program is scheduled for January 18-23, 2016.**

**The Dorset Players, Inc. — 104 Cheney
Road Dorset, Vermont 05251 —
802.867.5570**

DORSET  **Players**

Town Clerk's Corner

The Town Clerk's Office is responsible for the recording of all land records, maintaining all vital records, supervising elections, issuing fish & wildlife licenses, dog licenses, and renewal of motor vehicle registrations.

♦ **Dog Licenses will be due starting January 1, 2016**

Recent Property Transfers (June 2015 to present)

Seller	Buyer:	Address:	Price:
US Bank	Chen	389 Read Farm	\$229,000
Connors	Burns	1080 Route 30	\$133,000
Abcug	USDA	0 Bowen Hill Road	\$140,000
Hornby	Tartaglione	3048 Morse Hill Road	\$280,000
Speathe	Haskins	111 Harmony Ln	\$160,000
Bamford	Sprauge	317 Myrickview	\$385,000
McWayne	Danaher	3575 Dorset West Rd	\$205,000
Emond	Doddridge	114 Meadow Lane	\$214,000
Lee	Hawkey	124 Cross Road	\$862,500
Reed	Matthews	46 Lower Hollow Rd	\$405,000
Drobnyk	Flink	101 Sugar House Ln	\$700,000
Michaelson	Feig	127 Meadow Lane	\$375,000

Questions? Call 362-4571 x 2 , Sandra Pinsonault, Town Clerk, CMC, CVC

Around Town.....



Drone picture of Owls Head Forest. To the left Dorset Mountain is in the background and Dorset Hollow is between the Dorset Mountain and Owls Head.

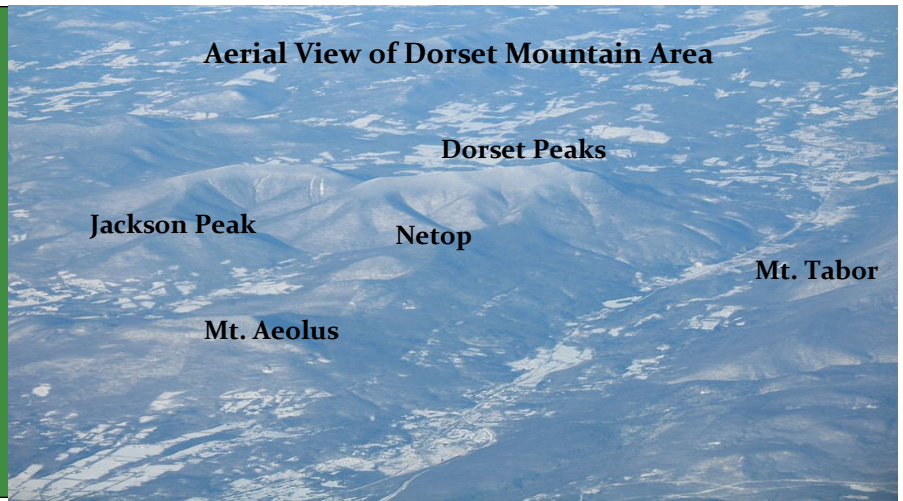
We want your pictures of Dorset! Please consider sending picture to the Town to be placed in the annual Town Report in the spring. Email to:

townmanager@gmail.com

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Winter Events in and around Dorset



The Dorset Farmer's Market Sundays:
10am to 2pm at JK ADAMS in Dorset.



Visit Riley Rink with your family!
The Ice is HERE

Be sure to visit www.rileyrink.com
to learn about 2015-2016:

- Hockey leagues & programs
- Skating programs
- Seasons Passes
- Event Space & more!



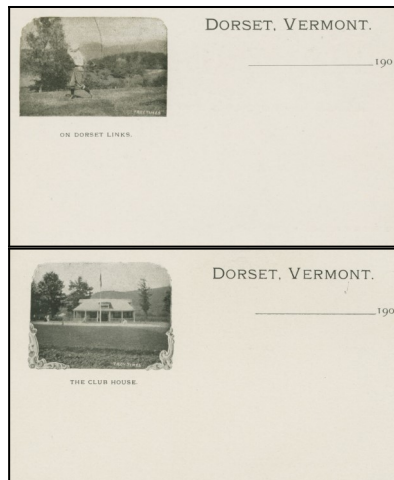
UPCOMING EVENTS AT DHS:

Lunchtime Lectures:

December 17: *Old Cookies and Recipes* Presented by All Who Love Cookies **Dorset Historical Society**

Post Cards From Dorset Part I

In the United States, the Post Office maintained a monopoly on post cards until 1898. Then they allowed "Private Mailing Cards." After 1901, the more popular term "Post Card" could be used. Sometime in 1900 or 1901, these three private mailing cards of the Dorset Field Club were produced by the Troy Times. Several of the founding members of the Field Club were from Troy, so it's not too surprising that they used their local newspaper to produce these cards. There are three of these early post cards in our collection. There may have been more in this series. If you know of any, please let us know.



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Open Hours — **Wed, Thurs & Fri, 10-4 p.m. Sat, 10-2 p.m.**

www.dorsetvthistory.org