

EAST MONTPELIER SIGNPOST

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RALLY DAY 1996!

The circus is coming to town! Not exactly Barnum and Bailey, nor even Circus Smirkus, but East Montpelier will have its own homegrown circus on Rally Day— **Saturday, September 7**. Don't miss it! There will be clowns, balloons, side shows, animals, and daredevil acts. Kids of all ages will have a chance to test their skills at juggling, stilt-walking and other circus skills.

While the circus is the centerpiece of this year's Rally Day, there will be a day full of other activities for every age and interest.

Take in the Town Fair in the EMES gym, run in the Third Annual Rural Race, join one of the several hikes around town, sit in on Memory Hour when we all reminisce about days of yore.

Then there are the bike tours taking in three loops around the town's scenic roads. And a visit to the Four Corners Schoolhouse to watch a rug-hooking demonstration. All day there will be wonderful food.

In the evening the Variety Show promises another impressive display of the talents which our townspeople usually hide the rest of the year.

So - how do you get ready for Rally Day?

1. Mark the date on your calendar.

2. Enter the Town Fair.

Categories this year include vegetables, baked goods (pies, cookies and maple recipes), and flowers. (The details are printed in the full Rally Day program which you received in your tax bills.)

3. Don't wait to be called about the Signpost Auction. Volunteer a product or service, then bid and keep bidding all day and take home some wonderful bargains (call Loring Starr 229-0007).

4. Join the circus. There is lots of room for your talent (call Jim Grundy 476-5680 or Hobie Guion 223-1808).

5. Offer your skit/music/dance/whatever for the Variety Show (call Rachael Grossman 223-3177 or Rachel Senechal 223-0539).



DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL EAST MONTPELIER DAY OF FUN, FOOD, AND FRIENDLY PEOPLE.

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 1996
RAIN OR SHINE**

The day's program was included in your tax bill. Post it on your refrigerator and plan to be there.



Special Trails Issue: See inside!
The Land, the Trails, the Landowners, the People who have made it all happen.
Special Map Insert!

TOP OF THE SIGNPOST:

Regular readers of the Signpost will notice that with this issue we start our seventh year of publication. We're proud that this community has adopted us and has come to depend on us to report and explain what is going on in town. The formula that we adopted seven years ago has served us well: to combine a summary of town business with some background on people and businesses which call East Montpelier home.

There is a bittersweet aspect of writing about interesting people in town. We found this out recently when East Montpelier lost two longtime community citizens, Al Couch and Marion Barclay. We had recently written their stories in our paper. Indeed, Marion's story in the last issue reached her home the day after she died. We were disappointed that she never saw it. Both of these townspeople had served us well in their own ways, and we will greatly miss them.

The first issue of each new volume is always different from the ones before it. Besides the color change, we take a look at some special aspect of our town. Past "special editions" have shown town government, the school system, organizations, town history. This year we're looking at our recreational trails system. We can take pride in these trails, recognizing that few towns in Vermont offer the casual walker, horse rider, and cross country skier such wonderful opportunities to get off the highway and enjoy the outdoors. Please make the most of them.

Jean Cate

MANY THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTORS:

Augustine and Alberta Pacini
George Landry
(from the Corvette Club)
John and Sandra Flannery
Samuel and Barbara Starr
Elizabeth Pulsifer



THE TOWN WEATHERVANE



SELECTBOARD

Frank Pratt, (Ch.), Tom Brazier, Edie Miller
May 29, 1996

◆ Susan Chickering and Brian Lusignan re-appointed to three year terms to Conservation Advisory Committee.

◆ Jennifer Mulliken concerned about speeding traffic on North Street. Requested "slow children" signs, speed limit at 35 MPH and stop signs at intersection. Selectboard to ask Sheriff Dept. to run radar to monitor traffic.

◆ Bob Averill expressed concerns about speeding traffic on County Road.

◆ Will contract with Tim Hudson to repair municipal building roof over handicap ramp.

◆ Received \$50,000 from Carleton Smith Estate to be used for recreation purposes.
June 12, 1996

◆ Steve Gladczuk, transportation planner for CVRPC, reviewed services available to towns from Regional Planning Commission.

◆ Mike Garand presented monthly road report. AOT granted \$17,500 to assist with paving. Also grant of \$40,500 for repairs to Coburn Covered Bridge.

◆ "Slow children" sign requested by Jennifer Mulliken will cost \$30. and be billed to her.
June 26, 1996

◆ Arthur Rice presented proposal for settling appeal to Environmental Court. Will plant row of shrubs 40 feet in length on property line between his property and adjoining property to screen 30 foot long proposed garage and mud room. After discussion with Town Attorney Board approved.

◆ Voted to enter agreement with Barre Town for ambulance services.

◆ Approved Fire Department request to place 250 gallon above ground gasoline storage tank at Fire Station, at cost of about \$3,000.

◆ Reviewed traffic speed study conducted by Sheriff's Department for North Street in response to concerns raised by Jennifer Mulliken.

◆ Granted liquor license for Dawn's Discount Grocery.

◆ Excess weight vehicle permit approved for Cabot Creamery per Town's standard policies.

◆ Appointed Steve Connor to Town Recreation Board.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Stephen Rauh, Chair

May 30, 1996

◆ Discussed sign regulations in Zoning Regulations. Approved motion to interpret sign regulations as not applicable to promotional product signs.

◆ Approved permit for proposed Indian Pow-Wow of the Dawn Land Center for Au-

gust 17 and 18.

◆ Approved request by Diana Gauthier for permit to operate craft store on Route 14 in building next to T & M Motor Sports.
June 20, 1996

◆ Approved use of Biron Garage for auto sales by P. Jay.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jeff Cueto, Chair

June 10, 1996

◆ Heard request of Warren and Mary Noyes to construct a 24' x 52' building behind the East Montpelier Home Center and create two apartments with two bedrooms each. Located in a flood plain. After hearing evidence and deliberating denied due to insufficient acreage necessary for building.

◆ Heard request of Dean Hedges to construct an enclosure around bulkhead on east side of home on Fair Road. After hearing evidence approved.

June 24, 1996

◆ Reopened Noyes hearing. Mr. Noyes had land surveyed and lot size was found to be 3.09 acres instead of 2.9 acres as previously stated. Therefore sufficient acreage for existing commercial business and two additional dwelling units. Application approved with conditions.

July 22, 1996

◆ Heard request by Jessica Taylor on Chickering Road to install septic and water in an A-frame building on her property. This is an additional building besides her home on the property. Will make a site visit August 12.

◆ Approved application of Elliott and Florence Morse to rebuild a 25' x 30' storage building with attached 14' x 30' shed beside garage.

EAST MONTPELIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*Jan Aldrich (Chair), Loring Starr, Susan
Stephen, Nancy Thomas, Paul White*

June 6, 1996

◆ Agreed to appoint a "Continuous School Improvement Committee". Parents' concerns include discipline, parent feedback to the staff, school philosophy and long range planning.

◆ Approved hiring Rollin Tait as the new 5/6 grade teacher.

◆ Voted to accept Lindy Johnson as the .5 reading teacher paid by EMES and as .5 Reading Recovery teacher paid with Title I funds as long as EMES qualifies for Title I funds.

◆ Will offer Katherine Henry the job as cook for the remainder of Margurite Hurlburt's leave of absence.

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A Short History of East Montpelier Trails Inc.



East Montpelier Trails Inc. is a large volunteer community trail project led by East Montpelier residents. We in the town developed the group to meet our recreational and conservation needs and interests—these were reflected in an extensive town survey in 1992. In this and subsequent surveys, the town's Trail Committee asked residents about their interest in informal recreation resources including existing informal trails.

The committee was actually an outgrowth of the Community Affair Committee, chaired by Jean Cate—the same group which started Rally Day and the *Signpost*—a pretty amazing group!

Using this information, the committee mapped recreational land use. The committee, in seeking to identify the trail resources used by the town, recognized the contribution which snowmobile trails provided for a variety of residents. Committee members identified a potential 17-mile trail loop. They started work to establish this trail system, as landowners expressed

interest in a plan to host protected and marked trails on their property.

In 1992 the Trail Committee and the Town, with interested landowners at the Fairmont Farms, permanently protected, cleared and constructed the first two miles of the new trail, in conjunction with the Vermont Land Trust. Protected agricultural lands on Chapell, Holden and Bair properties increased the trail to six miles in 1993.

In 1993, members of the small trail committee formed East Montpelier Trails Inc. (EMTI). This was a broadened group comprised of trail users and landowners. Most importantly, the local snowmobile club, the Gully Jumpers, voted to elect a representative to EMTI. With this even stronger base of community support, the fledgling group developed bylaws, appointed officers, and in 1994 and '95 applied for and received its non-profit tax-exempt status. We've been working on trails ever since!

Current EMTI board members:

Sandy Woodbeck (President), Chris Abrams, Jody Brown, Ginny Burley, Nona Estrin, Apple Faulkner, Hobie Guion, Madeleine Mongan, Loring Starr, and Carroll Witham, Jr. (A key past board member is Bruce Chapell, who worked extensively with fellow landowners, explaining the protection and easement processes.)

We represent many interested groups of townspeople, including snowmobilers, skiers, walkers, horseback riders, landowners, bicyclists, local businesses and education. We struggle to obtain grants, plan and design trails, negotiate with landowners, file federal and state forms, scrounge equipment and supplies, attend endless meetings, and sometimes even get out on the trails ourselves!



Nona Estrin lives on Town Hill Road, is a founder and a driving force behind East Montpelier Trails, Inc., and has somehow left her many contributions out of this history.



The New Sparrow Farm to Montpelier Trail



We are building the trail! The new multi-use, four-season trail is being built by volunteers led by Chris Hammer. We have cut trees, pulled stumps, and moved earth. In the coming weeks crews will be building bridges over the several ravines. We are accomplishing all this with dedicated folks who are giving a day here and there. Chris is putting in substantial time organizing, planning and working alongside all the volunteers to see that this important link with Montpelier becomes a reality. We are paying for materials with

grants from Fields, Ponds Foundation and the Department of Forests and Parks.

This trail requires substantial construction to be usable by snowmobiles and skiers in winter: it has dramatic, changing terrain. The trail begins in a field west of Sparrow farm, on Hill Road. It follows a small brook south along the edge of a field, and crosses the brook near a series of beaver ponds. The trail then goes through a small wet varied woods, skirts the edge of farm fields for a mile, providing views of the farm (and if you're lucky, of the grazing highland cattle), and a fine glimpse of Mount Hunger and White Rocks to the west.

Beyond the farm, the trail descends into a deeply ridged, heavily wooded valley. We've built it to follow land contours as much as possible. The trail crosses a couple of streams and proceeds into a beautiful stand of old hemlocks. This

stand was recently donated to the Vermont Land Trust as a natural preserve by the John and Mary Baird Family—previously long-time residents of East Montpelier.

The trail then traverses a final ravine before entering onto easements generously donated by the Tim and Anne Marie Carver and Adrian and Frank Taylor families. From here it crosses into Montpelier, where it joins the North Branch Park trail and descends to the Recreation Field and Swimming Pool area. It's a great downhill run going south! *Nona Estrin*





East Montpelier Trails

East Montpelier Trails, Inc.

Cross Vermont Trail

Montpelier Parks



Existing Trails



Proposed Trails
(routes unknown)



Brochure by Stubbs Studio, Calais, Vermont

working in cooperation with Cross Vermont Trail and Montpelier Parks



1 **Town Forest - Peck Farm:**
varied woodlands, beaver pond, farm lanes;
2.5 miles of gently rolling terrain;
stream crossing.

2 **Holden - Templeton:**
woodlands, fields, mountain views;
2 miles of gently rolling terrain.

3 **Templeton - Fairmont:**
farm lane, fields with mountain views, varied woodlands; 2.5 miles, 2 steep 20-yard sections, 1 wet crossing.

4 **Sparrow Farm - Montpelier:**
flat farm fields, woodlands, descending steeply through old-growth hemlock to Montpelier Recreation Field; 3.5 miles.
(Under construction summer/fall 1996)

5 **Cross Vermont Trail at the Winooski Hydrodam:**
Flat, easy riverside walk along historic railroad bed; 1 mile. (Under construction - expected completion spring/summer 1997).

Using The Trails


- ◆ Please remember that most of the trails are on private property, and respect the landowners by staying on the marked trail. The future of the trail system depends on it!
- ◆ Generally, non-motorized recreational uses are permitted, however certain uses may be restricted seasonally, so please obey posted restrictions at trail heads.
- ◆ There is limited parking at trail heads. The rule for winter parking is to leave two car widths clear for the plow and traffic. Consult the East Montpelier Town Clerk for updated information.
- ◆ Dogs should be leashed.
- ◆ Fires and camping are prohibited.
- ◆ Remember: if you carry it in, carry it out.
- ◆ You can help with trail maintenance simply by contacting us if you encounter obstructions or other problems on the trail.

The larger, color version of this map is available at the Town Clerk's Office. In addition, there are detailed directions to trail heads and descriptions of the individual trails.





Drawing by Ray Brown


Landowners who have made our trails possible:

 **Town Forest/Peck Farm Trail**
Town of E. Montpelier
Ann and Stephen Kroll
Loretta and Edward Friihauf
Joanne and Roy Bair
Roger and Jen Chapell

 **Templeton/Fairmont Trail**
Janet and Bruce Chapell
Fairmont Farms
(Austin Cleaves,
John and Donna Hall,
Stuart and Robin Hall, Richard and Bonnie Hall)
Town of E. Montpelier
(Legal Trail)

 **Sparrow Farm/Montpelier Trail**
Diana Chace
* Baird Family
(Mary and John Baird in memory of Kenneth R. Baird)
* Anne Marie and Timothy Carver
* Adrian and Frank Taylor

 **Cross Vermont Trail**
* Winooski Hydroelectric Company
(Matthew Rubin and John Warshow)
(expected completion spring/summer '97)
* Recent Donations

 **Holden Trail**
Polly and John Holden and Family
Roger and Jen Chapell



SANDY WOODBECK MAKES TRACKS



A discussion of trails in East Montpelier would be incomplete without acknowledgment of Sandy Woodbeck. Sandy has been at the helm of both snowmachine and multi-use trail development for many years. His commitment to recreational trails is demonstrated in his ten years as president of our town club, the Gully Jumpers, three years as treasurer of VAST (Vermont Association of Snow Travelers), two years as Director of the Washington County district of VAST, and two years as President of East Montpelier Trails Inc. Wow!

Sandy's interest in the outdoors began with snowshoeing, skiing and rabbit hunting. But that all changed in the early 1960's when snowmachines first became popular. Sandy recalled, "That's when the fever hit." Sandy's rabbit dog was soon replaced with a snowmachine.

When the ground is white Sandy can be found out on the trails. Sandy says he rides for the solitude and beautiful views, but chuckles when he explains to me that the "the main emphasis on riding is food." He goes on to recount gleefully the culinary calendar from memory. He describes a chicken barbecue held in Groton and attended by riders from all over, and other similar feasts held throughout the winter.

In the early years snowmachine travel was unrestricted. Riders freely traveled across neighboring farms and forest land. As the sport's popularity increased, so did conflicts with some landowners. Snowmachine clubs formed to organize development of a trail network across the state. VAST formed in 1967. In 1973, a State law was passed requiring riders to establish landowner permission before riding, essentially mandating what VAST was already doing. The Gully Jumpers formed in 1973.

In 1993, the seeds of what is now East Montpelier Trails Inc. began to form. Sandy, with his wealth of trails experience from years with VAST, quickly joined, and has become a mainstay of the organization.

When I asked Sandy if he was a native, he quipped "not



quite," explaining that he was born while his mother was on a trip out of state visiting his grandparents in New York. "But," he quickly continued, "I moved here when I was two weeks old."

The Woodbeck family had a portable sawmill business, and Sandy found himself moving to a different farmstead every few years. The entire family was expected to pitch in and do whatever needed to be done. Instead of finding this a hardship, Sandy credits his roving and rural upbringing with teaching him to be self-sufficient and to make friends easily. His family eventually settled in Orange and Sandy graduated from high school in Barre.

Until quite recently, Sandy worked for the State Department of Transportation as a project supervisor, coordinating the relocation of utilities during road work along all state highways and rights-of-way. This past June, after 34 years working for the State, Sandy opted for early retirement, explaining that he'll miss the people, but not the job. He is eager to enjoy his free time, which will be spent not only on trails-related work, but on the restoration of his 1968 snowmobile with an enclosed cab.

Why does he do it? Why spend countless nights in meetings, precious weekends building new trails and rerouting others, hours on the phone with landowners and writing grants? Sandy says it comes down to a love of the outdoors, which he can trace to his upbringing and to his Native American heritage, and the enjoyment of working with townspeople. Sandy claims, "I haven't met a bad one yet."

So, if you see an old jeep go by, with 350,000 odd miles on it, driven by a man who looks too young to be retired, chances are you've caught a glimpse of Sandy Woodbeck, dashing off to a trails-related meeting. Or maybe, just maybe, he's going home to put his feet up. He certainly deserves it.

Apple Faulkner lives on Kenyon Road and is a board member of East Montpelier Trails, Inc.

CONGRATULATIONS

to East Montpelier Graduates from U-32:

Douglas Bair
Amy Baker
Jamie Biggam
Jennifer Boyce
Justin Carriveau
Kathy Carver
Korey Clark
Sarah Czok
Philip Davidian
Nathan Edwards

Kristina "Amber" Farr
Joshua Farrington
Katherine Garrison
Shana Gross
Nicholas Guyette
Nicholas Hawkins
Michael Hill
Kate Howard
Kimberly Jones
Venessa Keller

Steven Keough
Robert Lamery
Amanda Lemiex (Parry)
Addison MacDonald
Andrew Meehan
Robinson Morse
Matthew Page
Melissa Rice
James Smith
Derek Thorpe

Marcia Tosi
Jessica Tousignant
Wendy Velandier
Nicholas Venner
David Welch
George Wilson, V
Maurice Woodworth, IV
Michelle Wright



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- ◆ Agreed to have retired postal workers paint a map on the black top in front of the school. They will also provide games and bean bags for students' use.
- ◆ Accepted Sandy LaPerle's bid for snowplowing for 1996-1997.
- ◆ Approved purchase of a FAX machine.

U-32 BOARD

Peter Bluhm (Chair); Ginny Burley and Tony Klein, East Montpelier members

May 28, 1996

- ◆ Approved appointment of Glen Houston as coordinator of the alternative program.
 - ◆ John Coolidge has accepted a principal's position at Whitcomb Jr.-Sr. Senior High School in Bethel. Resignation effective June 22, 1996.
 - ◆ Tom Keck has resigned to accept a position at Essex Technical Center.
- June 11, 1996
- ◆ Board members on search committee for interim principal are Peter Bluhm, Ginny Burley, and Jim Dawson.

June 20, 1996

- ◆ Appointed Dot Blake as Acting Principal, Mike Law as a Supervisor of Summer Program and Jackie Gahagen to handle administrative duties as assigned by Dot Blake.
- ◆ Approved to go to bid to purchase a new 3/4 ton truck with a plow.

July 9, 1996

- ◆ Heard the auditor's report and agreed to implement procedural changes as suggested in the food program account, student activities account and petty cash.
- ◆ Approved concept of proposal to deal with behaviorally challenging students.

RECREATION BOARD

Pat Fitzsimmons and Rachel Senechal, Co-Chairs

Fall Sports Sale, Saturday, Sept. 28, 1996

Please save your equipment! For more information call Pat, 223-1075 or Rachel, 223-0539.

Fall Work Day at the recreation field: Saturday, September 21. We need your help. If you use the fields for sports please volunteer your time to work. Please mark your calendar and show up to work at 8:30 am. Thank you!

We need adults who are willing to "host" sports nights or days. We'd like to offer informal sessions of soccer, basketball, or volleyball for kids. We want to give our children options to play sports, but we need adults who are willing to be "hosts". If interested call Jon Dunkling at 223-7493 or Pat or Rachel.

CEMETERY COMMISSION

George Fitch, Chair

June 5, 1996

- ◆ Voted to add following rule to Rules and Regulations of the Commission:
As of July 1, 1996, only current residents of town, natives of the town living elsewhere, or individuals whose families have historical roots in town may purchase cemetery lots.

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOLHOUSE

Ruth Frost, President

June 19, 1996

- ◆ Voted to elect Alban Richey to a three year term on the board, and Gloria Biron to a two year term.
- ◆ Discussed plans for book sale on July 27.
- ◆ Some of the workshops being offered this fall are: Basketry, Basic Slipcovering, Beginning Applique and Quilting, Introduction to Drawing, and more. For further information call Ruth Frost at 223-6892.

EAST MONTPELIER FIRE DEPT.

Chief Jon Winston, President Michael Bliss

- ◆ Members have been busy training. This includes methods of auto extrication. Planning to take part in the Washington County Field Days with the Vermont Department of Labor and Industry which provides a trailer. Also participating in Rally Day.

CHURCH BELLS

Church Services: **Old Brick Church** 11 a.m.

Old Meeting House: Worship and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

OLD BRICK CHURCH NEWS:

- ◆ The steeple was struck by lightning and damaged June 13. Work is being done to repair the steeple.
- ◆ The church welcomed the Rev. Marcheta Townsend as its new minister.
- ◆ The fall fair will be held October 19.
- ◆ All are welcome to Sunday services; 11 a.m.

OLD MEETING HOUSE NEWS:

- ◆ Saturday, Sept. 14 - annual Chicken Pie Dinner, \$6.50 adults, \$3.00 children.
- ◆ David Connor has agreed to serve as interim minister beginning in September. The congregation is enormously pleased to have David in the pulpit on a regular basis until a permanent minister is hired.
- ◆ The search committee continues to review candidate profiles and hopes to begin interviewing people soon for full time minister.
- ◆ Church and Sunday school resume on September 1 at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome!

MILESTONES

DEATHS

- Arlene Chenery Clark; died June 11, 1996. Mother of T. Wayne Clark and Raylene C. Blanc.
- Gordan H. Ladd; died June 17, 1996. Father of Nancy Ladd Mason.
- Allan Gaul Couch; died June 20, 1996. Husband of Nancy Couch, father of Jeffrey and David Couch.
- Marion Barclay; died June 28, 1996. Mother of Shirley King.

BIRTHS

- ♥ Bradley Brian Fleury, Jr.; born April 20, 1996, to Melissa Ann & Bradley Brian Fleury.
- ♥ Emily Elizabeth George; born April 21, 1996, to Christina Marie & Daniel Eric George.
- ♥ Samantha Ariadne Ringer; born May 1, 1996, to Pia-Heidi Weinheimer Ringer & Robert R. Ringer.
- ♥ Josiah James Schrum; born May 14, 1996, to Julie Marie & Leonard Schrum.

MARRIAGES

- ♥ Wilfred P. Allard to Charlene C. Gauthier, May 25, 1996.
- ♥ Leonard Albert Giroux to Elsie Joyce Scribner, May 31, 1996.
- ♥ Harry Bert Stevens to Willissa Jo Patenaude; June 8, 1996.
- ♥ Jason Emile Gosselin to Kara Ann Lizotte; June 8, 1996.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

- Marian B. Lord to Daniel C. Lord; 18.25 acres on Sodom Pond Road.
- Alan & Janice Aldrich to Todd & Kimberly Jones; mobile home in Sandy Pines MHP.
- Karl E. & Lois E. Strassberger to Alan M. & Janice C. Aldrich; dwelling and 0.2 acres on Quaker Hill Road.
- Gwendolyn B. Long to Karl E. & Lois E. Strassberger; corrective deed on dwelling and 0.2 acres on Quaker Hill Road.
- William N. & Mary J. Porter to Charles D. & Robin B. Sawyer; dwelling and 0.34 acres on Route 14 South.
- Jan C. Otto to Karl & Lois E. Strassberger; 12.4 acres on US Route 2 West.
- Cheryl Potter to Coleman B. Parker; 10.2 acres and easement on Cherry Tree Hill.
- Linda J. Roberts to Richard I, Jr. & Linda E. Barstow; quit claim to 3/8 interest in 40 acres on Sodom Pond Road.
- Richard I, Jr. & Linda E. Barstow to Richard I, Jr. & Linda E. Barstow; quit claim interest to 52 acres on Sodom Pond Road.

COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

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| Selectboard | 2nd & 4th Wednesday | 7:15 | Town Office |
| Planning Commission | 1st & 3rd Thursday | 7:00 | Town Office |
| Zoning Board of Adjustment | 2nd & 4th Monday | 7:30 | Town Office |
| Conservation Fund Advisory Comm. | 2nd Thursday | 7:30 | Town Office |
| Volunteer Fire Department | Every Tuesday | 7:00 | Fire Station, Templeton Rd. |
| U-32 School Board | 2nd & 4th Tuesday | 7:30 | U-32 High School |
| Elementary School Board | 1st Thursday (Except July) | 6:30 | Elementary School |
| Recreation Board | 3rd Monday | 7:00 | Town Office |
| Town Clerk's Office Hours | Mon. - Thurs. 9 - 5; Friday 9 - 12 | | Town Office |
| Zoning Administrator | Tuesday & Thursday | 1:00 - 2:30 | Town Office |
| Four Corners Schoolhouse Assn. | 3rd Wednesday | 7:30 | Four Corners Schoolhouse |

Meeting times are subject to change

EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 28 Opening classes for U-32
 Wednesday, August 28 Opening classes for EMES

Saturday, September 7th: RALLY DAY!

Saturday, Sept. 14 Annual Chicken Pie Dinner, Old Meetinghouse
 Saturday, October 19 Fall Fair, Old Brick Church

FALL SPORTS SALE
SATURDAY, SEPT. 28, 1996
 10 am to 1 pm,
 East Montpelier Elementary School
PROCEEDS TO BUY NEW SOCCER GOALS

EAST MONTPELIER SIGNPOST

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