

Report of the Open Space Committee

Since its inception in 2003, the Fremont Open Space Committee has worked in conjunction with the Fremont Conservation Commission, the Board of Selectmen, and the residents of Fremont to ensure that Fremont's rural past as well as Fremont's future is properly protected.

In 2010, the emphasis shifted to maintaining, enhancing and promoting the open space in Fremont. These activities built upon the work done in previous years by many resident volunteers such as Eagle Scout Mark Prescott.

- The Kiosks at both Glen Oakes and Oak Ridge were refurbished and updated.
- Two new trail segments were completed in Glen Oakes. These woods paths offer a different hiking experience than the old forest roads that comprise the majority of the trail network in Glen Oakes.
- A new trail map and brochure were produced for Glen Oakes, both of which are available on the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov.
- New trail signage was purchased through a grant from PSNH and installation was completed. All major trail intersections are now clearly marked.
- The Marsh trail in Oak Ridge was brushed and blazed, making it much easier to follow.
- In late October, a Fall foliage hike was held in Glen Oakes, introducing many new people to this great resource.
- In November, the "Hike and Seek" contest commenced. The intention is to increase awareness of Fremont's Town Forests, and further the importance of open space to Fremont's future.

The Fremont Open Space Committee will continue to study new opportunities to further protect special areas in Fremont. We plan on offering additional activities and encourage residents to take advantage of the wonderful open spaces that belong to all of the residents of Fremont.

Updated kiosk at Glen Oakes



"A civilization flourishes when people plant trees under which they will never sit."

~Greek Proverb



Fremont Conservation Commission “Takes a Hike”!

Back row L to R: Pat deBeer, Dennis Howland, Bill Knee;
Front row L to R: Bob and Janice O’Brien, Leanne Miner

Members of the Fremont Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee pause after completing a 2.5 mile tour of the Oak Ridge Town Forest. Oak Ridge is one of Fremont’s two Town Forests.

The walk was part of an assessment process in order to determine the best use of this valuable town land.

Respectfully submitted,

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Open Space Committee Participants

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*“Landscapes have a language of their own, expressing the soul of the things,
lofty or humble, which constitute them, from the mighty peaks
to the smallest of the tiny flowers hidden in the meadow’s grass.”*

~ Alexandria David-Neel

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