

# Mont Vernon

## White Mountain Exploration Offers World Class Family Adventures

PLYMOUTH, NH – “Looking for a family activity this summer that’s challenging, unusual, not far away, and even affordable?” asks Roger Poor, a long time resident of Mont Vernon and co founder of White Mountain Exploration.

“How does a two hour canopy tour through a gorge, full of Indiana Jones-type bridges and crossings, followed by a night in a luxury yurt, then your choice of kayaking, hiking, rock climbing, geocaching, mountain biking, or just plain lazing around in a spectacular mountain setting sound?”

“Check out [www.whitemountainexploration.com](http://www.whitemountainexploration.com) and see for yourself”, says Poor, an experienced guide and self proclaimed outdoor freak. It’s an idea conceived by he and his partner two years ago that is now reality.



Riding a zipline over a gorge.

The activities he describes are up and running on a temporary site at Tenney Mountain, with more to come. A new master plan contains an Olympic level artificial whitewater course that is well suited for international competition as well as family rafting or tubing in its channels, indoor and outdoor rock and ice climbing, a snowboard terrain park, additional yurts and a lodge, a business conference center, an outdoor festival amphitheater, skating, skiing, sledding, a local brew pub, an indoor pool, and a fitness center that can deliver the conditioning and the skill sets needed to take an individual from Monadnock to Everest. Environmentally responsible construction technology is planned throughout the future complex. Poor also plans to partner with schools and colleges in search of a field base camp to complement

their Environmental Science programs.

And for those who just want to live vicariously, check out WME’s Supper and Show program, featuring a buffet dinner with a slide show and talk given by some of New Hampshire’s most prolific adventurers.

All of this lies in Plymouth, the back door to the White Mountains, within 90 minutes of Poor’s driveway.

What brought this on? Just poke around Poor’s property in Mont Vernon for evidence of how he spends his time. Ask him how many boats, tents, packs, sleeping bags, or skis lie within and he’ll only shrug his shoulders. His ultimate vision: To introduce as many people as possible to the perspective and peace of mind Poor finds outside, be it in Mont Vernon or on site at WME.

### Mont Vernon Historical Society News

#### Museum Open July 4 - Two Paintings By Willard Achibald On Loan

The Mont Vernon Historical Society Museum will be open July 4; from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will also be open on July 18 and then on the first and third Saturdays August through October. The museum is located on the second floor in the Town Hall on Main Street in Mont Vernon.

Two paintings by Mont Vernon native, Willard Achibald, have been loaned to the museum for display this season. The recently completed pictures capture the town from bygone days. One is called “The Clubhouse” and the other “Village of Mont Vernon, NH Viewing Town Hall, Academy, Church, “Grand Hotel.” Also new this year is a small exhibit focusing on the Mont Vernon Congregational Church. Other displays feature the old hotels of Mont Ver-

non including “The Grand”, Lamson Farm memorabilia, and the window and mail boxes from the old post office when it was located behind the Mont Vernon General Store. Ask to see the small sampling of tea from the historic 1773 Boston Tea Party which has been handed down through Lamson family members.

Historical Society publications including the their most recent publication “Home Cooking - Recipes Old & New From the Kitchens of Mont Vernon” and the 2008 CD “Mont Vernon Historical Society’s Museum” (plays on Windows Media Player not a TV DVD) will be available for sale. T-shirts, a puzzle featuring historic buildings in town and stationery may also be found in the museum’s store.

### Notice – Town Clerk’s Office

As of JUNE 1st the Town Clerk’s office hours will change. They will be: Monday & Wednesday from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm and Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00am to Noon. This office not only does dog registrations, car registrations, vital requests, but also completes Hunting & Fishing Licenses and Boat Registrations during business hours. Please make a note of the new office hours come June and take advantage of the extra hour.

Coming soon is Dogs on Line. You will be able to renew your dog on-line at the same time as renewing your vehicles.

Jeanette Vinton, Town Clerk  
Town of Mont Vernon  
PO Box 417, Mont Vernon, NH 03057  
Phone: 673-9126, Fax: 673-0914

### Daland Memorial Library News

Library hours: Tues. & Thurs. 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; Wed. noon - 8 p.m.; Fri. 2 - 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed Sun. & Mon.  
Phone/Fax 673-7888 E-mail: [dalandlibrary@comcast.net](mailto:dalandlibrary@comcast.net)  
NEW WEBSITE: <http://www.dalandlibrary.wordpress.com/>  
Library Director: Karen MacDonald; Children’s Program Director: Amy White; Library Assistants: Allain Schnable and Samantha Philbrick

### BOOK GROUP NEWS

August 3 - “Hot, Flat and Crowded: Why We Need a Green Revolution and How It Can Renew America” by Thomas Friedman

The next adult book discussion held at the Daland Memorial Library will be on Monday, August 3; at 9:30 a.m. (There will be no discussion in July.) The group, active for more than six years, usually meets the first Monday of each month (note exception below), at the library. Sometimes, the group takes a field trip relating to a book or may watch a movie interpretation of a selection. Every attempt is made to get copies of the books through interlibrary loan. Books may also be found in paperback at local bookstores including The Toadstool Bookshop. Occasionally, because of availability, dates of books to be discussed may be switched or substitutions made. Participants are asked to bring a question or observation to the discussion. Participants take turns bringing light refreshments to share. There are usually between eight and twelve attendees. Anyone is welcome to join in one or more discussion.

Library Director Karen MacDonald purchases a copy of each selection for the library collection. Any title may be borrowed by a library patron, though a book that’s to be discussed will be reserved for book group participants the month of the discussion. Questions, call the library at 673-7888.

### Book list for remainder of 2009

~NO JULY DISCUSSION~  
August 31 - fiction: “Last Night at the Lobster” by Stewart O’Nan  
~ NO SEPTEMBER DISCUSSION ~

October 5 - fiction: (optional: “The Great Gatsby” by F. Scott Fitzgerald); “Double Bind” by Chris Bohjalian

November 2 - fiction: “Deafening” by Frances Itani

December 7 - nonfiction: “Three Cups of Tea” by Greg Mortenson

### Passes to Four Museums at the Library

Looking for some inside activities when being outside isn’t much fun? Passes are available to library patrons to four area museums. (Come spring, passes will again be available to the Canterbury Shaker Village which closed for the season on December 7.) Three are free, one has a small co-pay. Call or check the websites for updated information on current exhibits and hours open at the following:

Currier Museum of Art  
201 Myrtle Way  
Manchester, NH  
Tel: 603-669-7194  
Website: <http://www.currier.org/>  
Two passes - each pass admits two

Millyard Museum  
Corner of Pleasant and Commercial Streets  
Manchester, NH  
Tel: 603-662-7531  
Website: <http://www.manchesterhistorical.org/>  
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SEE Science Center  
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Manchester, NH  
Tel: 603-669-0400  
Website: [see-sciencecenter.org](http://see-sciencecenter.org)  
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Museum of Fine Arts  
465 Huntington Avenue  
Boston, MA  
Tel: 617-267-9300  
Website: <http://www.mfa.org/>  
Take away FLEX pass - one pass admits two adults (NOTE: \$5 co-pay for EACH adult) Some special exhibits at the MFA require a ticket which is an additional charge - check the website for details.

Passes may be checked out for one week. (Take away passes are not returned.) Late returns will incur a \$5 penalty. To reserve passes stop in or call the library at 673-7888. All passes made possible through the fundraising efforts of the Friends of the Library.

### Mont Vernon Gardeners Announce

#### Garden Gatherings For 2009

If you are interested in enjoying fresh air, exercise and learning about plants and gardening, please join our group of volunteer gardeners who maintain three small public gardens in Mont Vernon.

Each garden has a group leader who organizes monthly clean up, plant. Membership to the Mont Vernon Gardeners is open to all. Yearly dues are not a requirement, but a \$5.00 donation to the group offers cardholders a discount at many area businesses that sell plants and gardening supplies.

#### Garden Gatherings for 2009 \*

- Daland Memorial Library Garden (corner of Route 13 and Grand Hill):  
2nd Thursday of every month, 9 a.m.  
July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8.  
Rain date the following Thursday.
- Joanne’s Garden, Lamson Farm (across the road from farmhouse):  
3rd Tuesday of every month, 9 a.m.  
July 21, August 18, September 22, October 20  
Rain date the following Tuesday.
- Herb Garden (Town Hall south lawn):  
1st Monday of every month, 1 p.m.  
July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5  
Rain date the following Monday.
- Garden “sweep” (a quick maintenance once-over for each garden):  
4th Saturday of every month, 9:30 a.m. Meet at Daland Memorial Library  
June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24

\* Please bring garden gloves, pruners, hand trowel, shovel and a garden bucket to each gardening session. Children are welcome.

We look forward to welcoming new members. If you have questions regarding our group and our events, please contact Linda Peck at 673-5041 or [Lpecknh@hotmail.com](mailto:Lpecknh@hotmail.com).

## Golf Camps

Now accepting registrations for Spring & Summer golf camps, perfect for juniors all ages, all levels.

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