

UPPER VALLEY LAND TRUST

November 2017

## Tails on Trails at Brookmead Conservation Area



On November 25th from 12-2pm at Brookmead Conservation Area on Turnpike Road in Norwich, UVLT is holding an event to raise money for the purchase of a pet waste station for all dog walkers at Brookmead. Bring your furry friend out for a walk and say hi to UVLT board and staff who will have maps, give aways, and a raffle. Professional photographer Calvin Jones will be there to take a picture of you and your dog that will be available for download online after the event. Suggested donation of \$7-10. More information can be found [here](#).

This event is being done in conjunction with Giving Tuesday - a day for giving during a time of year that often feels overtaken by consumerism. We believe all gifts, no matter the size, help contribute to our community and change the world. Even if you can't attend Tails on Trails please consider donating to our Giving Tuesday Fund. You can do this online [here](#) and use the designation "Giving Tuesday"

## Meet our new Land Steward: Kristen

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the Upper Valley

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forests, rivers and  
trails.*

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**Upcoming  
Events**

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**Tails on Trails  
Brookmead Conservation  
Area**

Saturday, Nov. 25th, 12-2pm

**Lyme Hill Solstice Walk**

Friday, Dec. 29th, 1:30-4pm

## Hanratty!



There have been a few shifts in staffing at UVLT this fall. Former Land Steward Alison Marchione moved into the newly full time Programs Director position in October and UVLT gained our newest employee - Kristen Hanratty! Kristen is originally from Orlando, FL where she attended the University of Central Florida and earned a BS in Environmental Science. Since then, Kristen has worked in Arizona in the Southwest Conservation Corps, in Hawaii as an assistant to an Agronomist, and as a Seasonal Land Steward at The Nature Conservancy in North Conway, NH. Welcome Kristen!

## Ticknor Addition: Lebanon, NH

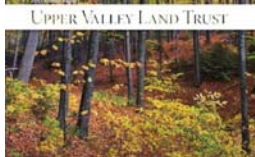


In a three-way collaboration between UVLT, the City of Lebanon, and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES), a 110 acre parcel near downtown Lebanon has been permanently protected. This important property lies along Dulac Street and Slayton Hill Road with frontage along the Mascoma River. The land will forever remain undeveloped, as a natural area, providing benefits of flood resiliency and habitat protection. Read more [here](#).

## Loon Rescue on Pout Pond

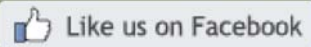


Our Land Stewards don't always know what they will be doing day to day. On November 15th Land Stewards Doug Brown and Kristen Hanratty were doing a routine annual monitoring visit of the land around Pout Pond in Lyme when they came across a loon trapped by ice. After talking to folks at the Vermont Center for Ecostudies and the Loon Preservation Committee they decided the best course of action would be to break up a flyway in the ice using a nearby boat. Loons need about 200 yards of open water to lift off and fly to the Atlantic Ocean where they overwinter. We received a report on November 17th that the loon had taken off. Watch the video of the rescue [here](#).



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The Upper Valley Land Trust helps people conserve land in 45 New Hampshire and Vermont towns. We invite you to learn about our work, explore some of the special places we have conserved, and join the volunteers and supporters who make our work possible. Our 2017 Annual Report is online [here](#).



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**Masthead photo:** On November 4th Photographer Bill Menke joined us on a hike up to Smith Pond and took many beautiful pictures including this one of a wildflower gone to seed. You can see more of them [here](#).