

Municipal Corner – Spring Clean Up

It has been a long cold winter, so there is nothing better than to see the sun start shining on a regular basis and the grass starting to turn green. Unfortunately when the snow melts we start to see all the litter and dog poop that has accumulated. There are two great events coming up with opportunities to help keep Stowe beautiful.

Green Up Day is a long-standing tradition in Vermont where volunteers pick up road side litter. I've used the opportunity to go out with my kids every year to teach them about caring for their community and environment. We always try to explore a new road and see who finds the most unusual object. Green Up Day this year is May 2nd. Green Up Bags can be picked up and dropped off at the Sunset Grille and Tap Room on Cottage Club Road from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Green Up Day in Stowe is sponsored by the Conservation Commission, who provides complimentary donuts, cider and coffee to all participants. Questions can be directed to Tom Jackman at 253-2705 or tjackman@townofstovevermont.org.

Stowe Doodie Day is also on May 2nd to coincide with Green Up Day. It is a new citizen driven initiative that'll infuse some fun into poop-scooping in our public spaces and serve as a fund raiser for the North County Animal League (NCAL). Teams of friends and neighbors will meet up at the Rusty Nail between noon and 3 pm, and disperse around town to collect all the poo they can find. Then, everyone will meet up again for a family-friendly after party from 3 pm to 6 pm at the Nail. For more information, you can contact Mary Windler at (808) 640-6769 or marywindler@gmail.com. All are welcome to participate.

Green Up Vermont's motto is "Live the Green Up Way Every Day." While it is great to get out and clean-up, it would be even better if people didn't litter and cleaned-up after their pets by properly disposing of waste. No one likes to see litter and no one likes to step in dog poop. Please remember our environment, including our public waterways, and do your part to keep *Stowe* beautiful.