

Emerald Ash Borer

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been found in Stamford, Vermont. It won't be long until it invades Whitingham. The adult beetles nibble on ash foliage but cause little damage. The larvae (the immature state) feed on the campion layer under the bark of ash trees, disrupting the trees ability to transport water and nutrients. It has killed millions of ash trees since its discovery in 2002. EAB is predicted to cause \$10-20 billion in losses to forests over the next ten years.

There is abundant information on the internet that explains how to identify ash trees and potential EAB infestation.

Knowledge is power!

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New Transfer Station Stickers are required after September 1st Town of Whitingham

September, 2019 Newsletter

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH at 6:30pm

at the Whitingham Municipal Center in Jacksonville. Please come to learn about efforts to save the Jacksonville General Store.

SURVEY

An informal committee has created a survey to find out what the townsfolk want/need from the General Store. The survey is available at <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/jvillefriends</u>. If you prefer a paper copy you can pickup one at the Town Clerk's office or call Gig at 368-7500.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

collection events will be held THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD and

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

at the Transfer Station 9am-1pm.



The town is seeking a volunteer to index newspaper articles. If you are interested, please contact Gig at 368-7500.

The **CEMETERY COMMISSION** would like to remind you that relatives/next of kin are responsible to repair the gravestones of their loved ones if they are broken, tipped, heaved, etc.

The Cemetery Commission repaired 10 stones (no known living relatives) this year in Whitingham and are waiting to make sure the work will last through the winter before proceeding with more.

The Library will hold a **BOOK SALE** on October 12th & 13th from 9am-2pm. Saturday Early Bird Special: 8-9am-fill your own bag \$5. Donations accepted during regular business hours from Sept. 30-Oct. 10. Paperbacks, hardcovers, kids books, DVDs and audio.

Dog issues continue to be a problem, so we are reminding you again ...

DOG LICENSES:

ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWAL DUE APRIL 1ST.

Dog license fees are \$13 for spayed/neutered and \$17 for intact dogs. Dogs can be licensed at the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours or through the mail. To license by mail send documents and fees to: Town of Whitingham, PO Box 529, Jacksonville, VT 05342

Please provide a current rabies certificate, spay/neuter certificate and license fee. **NOTE:** if dogs are not licensed by April 1st a late fee will be applied making the neutered/spayed license fee \$15 and the un-neutered/un-spayed license fee \$21. ALSO: If dogs are not licensed by May 30th a list of unlicensed dogs will be provided to the Selectboard to take action on getting the dogs licensed. Special licensing fees apply for Breeding, Pet Dealers and Working Farm Dogs. <u>ALL dogs must be licensed, including</u> <u>service dogs</u>.

Please keep your dog leashed at all times!

Dog bites are not fun for anyone!

PAINT, BATTERIES, MERCURY BULBS

Our Transfer Station is now certified to collect paint, batteries, mercury bulbs and thermostats during regular business hours. If you have any questions talk to Jen.

HUNGRY LION BIKE TOUR

The annual Hungry Lion Bike Tour will be held on **Saturday, September 28th.** Bicycle riders will be on the local roads – *please drive carefully!*

If you are interested in participating, go to hungrylionbiketour.com for more information.

PARKING IN JACKSONVILLE VILLAGE

The Selectboard is contemplating changing the parking rules for the Eames Village Park at the intersection of Route 100 and Gates Pond Road. It seems the same vehicles are parked there all day every day making it difficult for others to access the local businesses. Alternate parking is available at the Municipal Center or the lot on Rt. 112 across from the church.

Parking rules could change to 2-hour parking from 7am to 7pm.



REMINDER

PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE
NOVEMBER 1ST