

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Things were pretty quiet in the Town Forest this season. The worn-out condition of both the equipment and the operators resulted in frequent breakdowns of both. This combined with some strange weather patterns to torpedo our hopes for a major attack on the weeds growing up in the clear-cuts. Hopes for the coming year remain high, however.

At last year's town meeting the citizens of Shelburne voted to name the portion of the Town Forest adjacent to the Maine border in memory of Bill Hastings. The sign has been completed but plans to erect it and dedicate the area had to be postponed due to an early freeze-up. The completion of the project is high on the priority list in the coming year.

Mike Ryan did his usual good job keeping the grass mowed at the Veteran's Memorial. This was a real challenge at times due to the persistent rain that seemed to come--- and stay--- every time the grass started to get tall. The biggest problem, however, was that some miserable deer decided that it loved the hostas that Debbie Ryan planted and chewed them all down to the ground. Memorial Forest Committee – John Gralenski, Michael Ryan, Larry Leger