



Mount Washington State Park Update
Mount Washington Commission

Friday, June 21st, 2019

tip top house, mount Washington state park

Winter 2018-2019 update



(Summit at Dusk, December 13, 2018)

Winter 2018-2019 update

- First snow on October 13
- Sherman Adams Building/Tip Top House closed for the season on October 22
- First SnowCat trip to the summit on October 31st



October 24, 2018 (22.7")



October 19, 2018 (9")

Winter-Spring 2018-2019 highlights

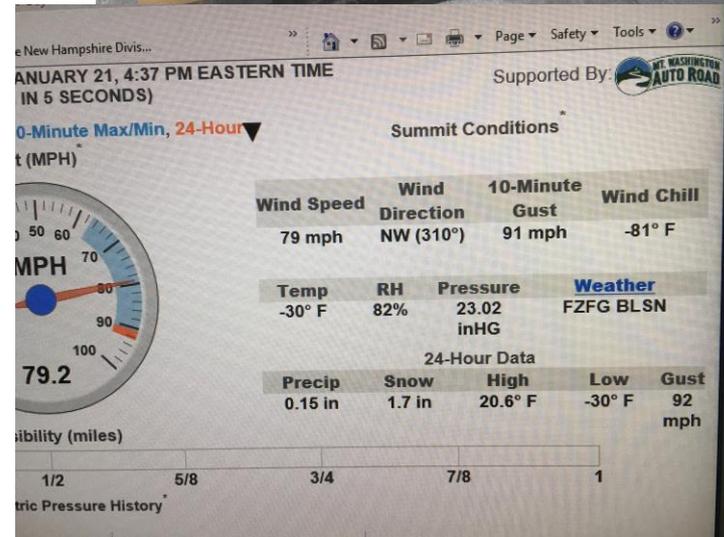
Projects:

- Lots of annual work cleaning, organizing, painting, treating floors, and making general improvements and repairs to buildings and vehicles
- Purchased and installed new membranes for the ESTP as well as minor repairs
- Rearranged displays in Sherman Adams Building
- Installed new soap dispensers in main bathrooms and have new hand dryers ready to install
- Brand new Tip Top House sign installed
- Ordered new winter jackets for winter staff
- New computer for ESTP



2018-19 winter weather

- Broke November's all time low temperature recording (-26 on November
- Saw wind chills dip into the -80s on January 21st
- Broke February's all time wind record of 171 mph (February 25). Winds were sustained over 100mph for over 24 hours
- One of the windiest winter seasons overall
- Snowfall was above average but not historic in any way.



2018-19 winter notes

- Retail added new equipment, including an oven, cooler, and steam table. Credit Cards now accepted in food service
- New SnowCat was approved for purchase by Executive Council. 2019 Pistenbully 400. Will be delivered this summer
- Spring Park Staff Orientation was...attempted
- 3 deaths on Mount Washington in 2019 with a person still missing



2018-19 winter notes

- Long Time Mount Washington State Park staff member Chris Uggerholt passed away on January 9, 2019
- 20+ years of experience in NH State Parks and on Mount Washington
- Plant Maintenance Engineer II and SnowCat Operator
- Outdoorsman, a man who could “fix anything”, a “Sugarmaker,” a dog lover, and a family man
- Personality as big and sometimes as rough as the mountain itself.



Spring 2019 update

- First Cog arrives at the Summit on May 11
- Sherman Adams Building opens May 11th (bathrooms) and then fully on May 25th
- Mount Washington Auto Road Opens May 25th



First Train of the Season, May 11

April 9 vs April 23, 2019

2019 improvement areas

Started or already Complete:

- Approval for new snowcat for next winter (delivery this summer, 2019 PistenBully 400)
- Better manage retail inventory and improve product mix and design
- Consider updates to retail layout and space
- Credit Card Sales at Food Concessions
- New tip top house sign
- Stabilize staffing shortages, decrease OT, and uniform needs
- Clean out State Park quarters and Yankee building
- Clean up outdoors summit area
- Hand dryers in bathrooms
- New winter shell jackets for staff and new uniforms for retail staff
- Staff orientation (attempt)

Still planned or ahead:

- Improvements to interior of Tip Top House
- Return Lizzie Bourne portrait to sab with new info display
- New trash and recycling bins
- New bathroom mirrors
- Carpeting/ceiling tile replacement in state park quarters
- Repair winter damages (dog house panel and observation deck chimney)
- Additional vehicle added to fleet
- Replace 2 vehicles in current fleet
- Continued cleaning of SAB and Yankee building trash
- Further improve or add interpretive displays in Sherman Adams building
- Improve footing areas outside in public areas
- Continue cleaning litter and old infrastructure debris from around summit
- Hire Plant Maintenance Engineer II



It is a privilege to be here. Thank you!

