TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2021

WELCOME MESSAGE

Greetings!

Municipal officials and staff in the Town of Enfield are dedicated to promoting a high-functioning and close-knit community that appeals to all our residents and visitors. To this end, we are committed to providing accurate information and quality services to members of our community at all times. In the interest of helping to keep residents informed of important "goings on" in town, we produce a town-wide newsletter that is disseminated by email on a monthly basis to all individuals who subscribe to the mailing list. Our hope is that the number of recipients on this list will continue to grow over time to ensure that most households receive these important updates.



If you have friends or family who may be interested in receiving the electronic newsletter, please forward a copy of this newsletter to them.

Subscribing to the electronic newsletter is easy and straightforward. You simply have to:

- Go to the below page on the town's website:
 - www.enfield.nh.us/subscribe
 Enter your email address in the "Your Email" field
- Check the box for "Town News & Announcements" Check the "I am not a robot" box and follow the prompts
- Click the "Subscribe me" navigation button at the bottom of the page

Thank you for being a part of our community. We hope you find this and future newsletters both informative and enjoyable. Please don't hesitate to contact Jack Wozmak, Interim Town Manager, at 603-442-5405 or townmanager@enfield.nh.us, if you have constructive feedback on how the depth and breadth of information provided in the newsletter can be optimized to meet the needs of our residents.

Find us at <u>www.enfield.nh.us</u> and <u>Facebook!</u>



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BUDGET COMMITTEE - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

Do you want to volunteer to serve on a Board or Committee? Our Application for Committee Membership can be found here:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-selectmen/files/appointment-application.

Send your completed application to <u>abonnette@enfield.nh.us</u>, leave it in the drop box outside the Town Office door, or mail it to Town Manager's Office, PO Box 373, Enfield NH 03748.

The **Enfield Budget Committee** has two openings.

Early in the budget season, budgetary goals are set by the Budget Committee and relayed to Town departments as guidance in their budget preparation. The Budget Committee later receives budget requests for the coming year, deliberates and approves a budget to be put before the voters at Town Meeting each year.

The Budget Committee meets approximately once a month off-season. During Budget season (November – February) the Committee meets 2-4 times per month with one Saturday morning meeting typically held in early December.

The term of these appointed positions expires as of Town Meeting, March 8, 2022. If the appointed individuals wish to continue to serve on the Budget Committee beyond that date, they will have to declare their candidacy to run for elected office during the sign-up period in January 2022 (specific dates to be announced).

Applicants should provide a written expression of interest, complete an application (online here: https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-selectmen/files/appointment-application) and submit it no later than August 4, 2021 by email to abonnette@enfield.nh.us, drop it off in person during office hours, or leave it in the night drop box at the Town Manager's Office, Attn: Alisa Bonnette.

Applicants will be considered for appointment by the Budget Committee at their next meeting on August 12, 2021. This will be a hybrid in-person/Zoom meeting. Meeting information can be found here: https://www.enfield.nh.us/budget-committee/events/51191.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Summer is almost over, and the police department would like to remind everyone that school will be starting on Monday, August 30th. Please pay attention to our young people walking to and from school and pay extra attention to the crosswalks located on Route 4. The department looks forward to doing our annual **Walk With a Cop** event on the first day of school. We will be meeting at Huse Park and start the walk to school at 7:50 am. We look forward to seeing many of our Enfield Village School students and their families.

The police department and Enfield Recreation Department are looking forward to hosting the second **Movie in the Park** on August 28th and will be showing Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II: Secret of the Ooze. Many of the attendees from the first movie requested this highly entertaining sequel – we hope to see you there!

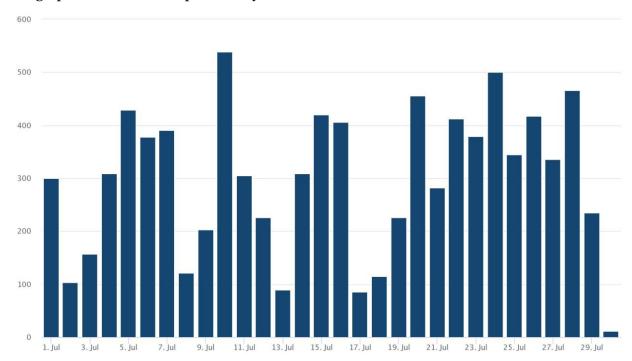
After a 20-year hiatus the police department will be bringing back the Chiefs Corner which can be found on the department website at Chief's Corner | Enfield NH. This monthly article will include information for our residents related to scams, current trends in crimes, and any other issues that residents would like more information about. Each month Chief Holland will answer one or more questions that are submitted and provide insight on what Enfield PD is doing to be supportive and proactive of our community safety.

As the summer starts to wind down, we would like to remind everyone to drive safe, slow down and put the phone away. Speed and distracted driving are still the main cause of serious car and bike incidents in the area. Remember- if you see something say something, no issue is too small, and we are happy to be of service to the Enfield community.

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Enfield Solar Array Completed and Generating Power

This graph indicates the output for July.



CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

The Trustees continue with project planning work, some of the work at Country Side has been completed. They will be working to finalize updates to the rules and regulations. Please feel free to reach out to Bridget Labrie with any questions. Meeting dates and minutes can be found on the Cemetery Trustees page on the Enfield Town website.

A friendly reminder to please keep all decorations or potted plants in line with the headstones to allow maintenance operations to take place.

A big "Thank You" to our Grounds team for keeping the cemeteries looking so nice and to the Highway department for their recent assistance!

For additional information about cemetery rules, regulations, or costs please visithttps://www.enfield.nh.us/boardcemetery-trustees

Please contact the Cemetery Sexton, Bridget Labrie at 802-332-5363 (cell) or email cemetery@enfield.nh.us to schedule a burial or to purchase a lot.

LAND USE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

All Enfield Land Use boards and committees have returned to "in-person" meetings at the DPW Facility at 74 Lockehaven Road as of July 1. The Town has purchased and put into service a new, specialized camera to facilitate us continuing to offer a Zoom meeting option for those that who would prefer to stay at home and/or socially distance themselves. This camera, known as an "Owl Meeting" camera, offers 360-degree vision and can automatically focus on a person when they are speaking. It will even go into "split screen" mode when two people or three are conversing with each other. Early reviews are favorable for this set-up as we adapt to "hybrid meetings" with people both in our meeting room and online/virtually attending. FYI, the Zoom meeting login information for all Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Master Planning Task Force meetings will continue to be posted online (www.enfield.nh.us). Look for the monthly calendar and click on a meeting date for the respective Zoom meeting login details.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) held a single hearing in July on the 13th. This was for Enfield Land Use Case # Z21-07-01 where Dean and Rachelle Vanier were seeking a variance to Enfield's Zoning Ordinance article IV, section 408.2 to install an internally lit sign with multicolored LED technology/bulbs (such as blue, red and yellow). The subject property is owned by NARJE, LLC (Dean and Rachelle Vanier) and is located at 492 US Route 4 (map 15, lot 8) in the Route 4 zoning district. The ZBA voted to deny the variance in this case. They suggested that the applicant and other businesses my wish to advocate for an amendment to the Town Zoning Ordinance to update our sign regulations to better reflect the new technologies available in this arena. You can find this meeting's minutes (and others) on the ZBA section of the Town's website at: https://www.enfield.nh.us/zoning-board-adjustment You can also find meeting agendas for future meetings there, such as one upcoming for August 10th where the ZBA will hear yet another application for a variance. This is land use case # Z21-08-02 where the applicant, Janet Carroll, will ask to construct a pole barn within the prescribed 20 ft setback in the R3 zoning district at 13 Beckwith Lane (map 45, lot 10).

At their July 28th meeting, the Planning Board heard three applications for minor subdivisions (creating 2 lots each). The cases are as follows: P21-07-01- the Maurer Family Minor Subdivision on Hazen Road, P21-07-02- Wescott Minor Subdivision on Wescott Road and P21-07-03- Keyser Minor Subdivision on Grafton Pond Road. All of these applications were presented by land surveyor Scott Sanborn of Cardigan Mountain Land Surveys. The details for these hearings, including minutes and agendas are available on the Planning Board section of the Town's website at: https://www.enfield.nh.us/planning-board

The Town's Master Planning Task Force met twice in the month of July (on the second and fourth Mondays). The Task Force has been busy with a myriad of items. You may have noticed

their new lawn signs about Town, directing people to visit the dedicated Master Planning website (linked below) to offer feedback. On the website now is a "Question of the Week" to help gather important community input. Recently a mailing was sent to all residents to aid in this effort. At the July 26th a presentation was made by a representative of the Town's Energy Committee. At their August 9th meeting, they will hear from the Heritage Commission. All Task Force meetings are open to the public and minutes and agendas are made available on the Town's dedicated Master Planning website: http://www.enfield-leaps.org

If you have an idea for your property, such as a subdivision, lot merger, line adjustment or a concept for a new business, please reach out to the Town's Land Use and Community Development Administrator, Rob Taylor, Monday to Friday at 603-442-5427 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm or by email at: planning@enfield.nh.us. You may also drop by the office at the DPW facility at 74 Lockehaven Road. We always recommend calling ahead first to be sure someone is available to help you. Happy summer to everyone!

MASTER PLANNING TASK FORCE



It is here! The Master Planning Task Force Question of the Week!

Go to https://www.enfield-leaps.org/ to answer.

New questions will be posted each week - so keep checking back!

You can also download the **Vevox app** to answer directly from your phone! Available from both the Apple Store and Google Play.

We hope to hear from you and see you at one of our upcoming events.

You can also stop by and chat with members of the **Sub-committees** from the Master Planning Task Force at the Enfield Market!

Be a part of the conversation!

Your Community. Your Vision. Your Voice.

Please email <u>info@enfield-leaps.org</u> for questions.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Who are we?

The Department of Public Works is comprised of several divisions:

- **Highway:** Provides year round maintenance roads, bridges and culverts.
- **Municipal Water:** Provides high quality municipal water to _____ users
- **Municipal Sewer:** Provides sewage disposal for ____ users
- **Sanitation:** Provides curbside zero-sort recycling and household trash collections and operates the Enfield Transfer Station & Recycling Center
- **Facilities & Grounds:** Provides general maintenance of municipal buildings and maintains parks, cemeteries, municipal grounds and sidewalks.

You can find more information about each of the divisions of the Department of Public Works online at https://www.enfield.nh.us/public-works-department

Road Grading

The Town Highway crew will be grading of gravel roads throughout the summer. Motorists are urged to use caution when driving through these moving work zones often with three or four working pieces of equipment.

Enfield Water and Sewer Bills

Enfield Water and Sewer bills were mailed out the second week of July and will be due August 18, 2021. Bills and balances are also available and can be paid at the Town website online billing tool at https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments

Remote Water/Sewer Meter Reading Touch Pads

The Town of Enfield has touch pads connected to the meter with a light gauge communication wire and mounted on the side of the building. The touch pads are installed so the staff member reading individual meters does not need to enter the building in order to get a reading. It is important that these pads and wires do not get damaged. If you plan to paint your building or replace the siding, please take care to gently removed them and set them aside preferably intact. You can also contact the water/sewer department to have the pad removed temporarily while your project is completed.

Lebanon Landfill Registration

Beginning in September anyone wishing to use the Lebanon Landfill or dispose of items that the Enfield Transfer Station does not accept will be required to obtain a Lebanon Landfill permit. This is in addition to the punch card system already in use. The permits are available at no charge on the Lebanon NH Website and will be enforced beginning September 1, 2021. https://lebanonnh.gov/1514/Solid-Waste-Permits#residential

Roadside Mowing

The Enfield Highway Department will be mowing roadsides and easement areas beginning in August. This helps keep drainage areas open for flowing water and allows for snow storage. It also improves site distances making roads safer. Please use caution when approaching and passing the mower tractors as debris sometimes flies out from the mower heads and operator focus is on the ditch lines being mowed. Residents should mark shrubs and plants near the road that they do not want cut.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day
The fourth Household Hazardous Waste collection day of the 2021 season is Saturday, August 7th from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Sunapee Highway Garage.

For more information about household hazardous waste and educational information visit the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission's Household Hazardous Waste website.

Household Hazardous Waste

2021 COLLECTION DAYS



All collections are 9:00 am-Noon

Sat, May 1—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street

Sat, June 5 — Newport Highway Garage, 449 S Main Street (Rt 10S)

Fri, July 16 —Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Rt 120)

Sat, August 7—Sunapee Highway Garage, 621 Route 11

Sat, October 2—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street

FREE to residents from Claremont, Cornish, Enfield, Goshen, Hanover, Lebanon, Lempster, Lyme, New London, Newbury, Newport, Orford, Piermont, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, Unity, Washington, and Wilmot. Other residents and businesses welcome for a fee. ANYONE with 25 gallons or more must pre-register by calling number below. Any Business 2-week pre-registration.

WHAT TO BRING:

Pesticides, Herbicides, Flea/Tick
Antifreeze, Dirty Gas & Kerosene
Adhesives & Driveway Sealer
Mercury Thermostats & Thermometers
Household Cleaners & Polishes
Hobby & Pool Chemicals,
Lead Fishing Tackle, Smoke Detectors
Oil-Based Paint (not Latex!)
Solvents, Varnishes, Stains
Button, Ni-Cad, Lithium, and
Rechargeable Batteries

...And much more...give a call or visit http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org



For information contact the

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission at (603) 448-1680 or vdavis@uvlsrpc.org



Aerosol cans, empty: Recycle with scrap metal. Talk to your town. (Bring cans with product in them to collection.)

Ammunition and explosives: State Police at 271-3636.

Asbestos: Get a licensed asbestos specialist. Asbestos is hazardous to your health—don't remove it yourself!

Batteries, alkaline: Most non-rechargeable batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, and 9-volt) are trash in NH. If in doubt, just bring to collection. Tape 9-volt terminals before disposal to avoid fire in your trash!

Batteries, automotive: Take to parts store for cash or your transfer station Fire extinguishers: Recycle empty extinguishers (NRRA takes from towns). Fluorescent lights: May be taken at your town facility. Check with your town. Food Co-ops and Home Depot may take CFLs (spiral bulbs), not tubes.

Latex paint: Use kitty litter, sawdust, or shredded paper to dry out latex paint; throw in your trash. Empty, dry metal cans may be recycled as scrap metal at your recycling facility. If it says "clean up with soap and water," it's latex.

Medical sharps: Place in a rigid container (e.g. detergent bottle), seal cap with duct tape, and label container with marker, "Sharps, not for recycling."

Dispose of with regular trash by handing to a waste collector—can become a projectile if compacted in trash. Lebanon Police Station accepts some sharps.

Medicine: See www.twinstatesafemeds.com for police stations taking meds.

Propane or helium tanks: Propane/helium tanks can be exchanged/refilled at a distributor; or contact town transfer station about empty tanks.

Used motor oil: Take to town transfer station or a service station for recycling.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org

FIRE DEPARTMENT

What to do when you approach an emergency scene on the road.

Many drivers who approach an emergency scene on the roadway don't know how to react or what to do. This confusion can be deadly for First Responders, vehicle crash victims, and other motorists approaching the scene. Enfield First Responders want to share some tips for what to do when you are approaching an emergency scene on the roadway, whether it's an accident, a disabled car, a weather related issue, or a planned closure.

- If at all possible avoid the area and take an alternate route. Do not make an illegal turn to avoid the incident.
- **SLOW DOWN** as you approach and pass the incident. Remain alert for unexpected occurrences, as this is a different situation than normal roadway driving.
- Move over any time you approach a stopped emergency vehicle. Move your vehicle over away from the incident, as long as it is safe to do so. Responders need room to work during the incident.
- If responders are not on scene yet and you have a **hands- free** cell phone, call 911 to report the incident. Note the location and/ or landmark so you can report it accurately.
- Look for and obey all temporary traffic control signs and direction from first responders, including lane enclosures. Temporary traffic control creates a safe work area for first responders to treat victims and remove damaged vehicles; motorist cooperation with traffic control is needed for the work area to be truly safe.
- **NEVER** attempt to go around an emergency scene on the shoulder, drive through it, or turn around to avoid it. These actions put you, other motorists, and first responders at risk of death or injury.
- Do not take photos or video of the incident as you pass it and do not put it on social media. This distracts you from driving, which may cause an accident. It is also disrespectful to the victims and their families, who are going through a traumatic experience. There have been situations where families of victims have found out their loved ones were injured or deceased from social media posts, rather than through an official notification from emergency services, who can provide needed support during the notification. Don't put a family through the trauma of finding out that in a public forum.
- Do not pick up your cell phone to notify friends, family, or others of the emergency scene or that you will be delayed. Distracted driving kills 3400 people every year and injures 390,000, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. **Don't be**
- Remain alert, even if you have to sit in traffic. Now is not the time to let your attention
 wander or use your cell phone. Unexpected events can happen at emergency incidents
 and you must be alert so you can react.

Your local first responders thank you for taking the time to read this, our lives depend upon it.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/HEALTH OFFICER

The CDC has asked local Health Officers to provide assistance with the CDC's efforts to increase residential pool owners' awareness of pool chemical safety.

According to the CDC, a number of pool chemical incidents have occurred recently this summer. Contributing factors might include: a shortage of stabilized chlorine (which means operators are using different chlorine products that they are not used to), short staffed public aquatic venues, inexperienced aquatics staff, and new residential pool owners.

Chemicals are added to pool water to kill disease-causing germs, improve water quality, ensure swimmer comfort, stop corrosion and scaling of equipment, and to protect against algal growth. Pool chemical injuries lead to 3,000–5,000 annual emergency department visits in the United States. Almost half of the patients are less than 18 years old. Poisoning and skin and eye injury are the leading diagnoses caused by exposure to pool chemicals. Injury data indicate pool chemical injuries occur when operators use pool chemicals without PPE or they do not secure pool chemicals away from children. The data also indicate human error is the leading factor contributing to releases of pool chemicals.

If pool chemicals, acids, salt, oxidizing cleaning materials, or other corrosive or oxidizing chemicals are stored outdoors, they should be stored in a well-ventilated protective area with an installed barrier to prevent unauthorized access. Where such materials must be stored in a building intended for occupancy, the transfer of chemical fumes and vapors from the chemical storage space to other parts of the building should be minimized. It is recommended that an eyewash bottle be present in chemical storage spaces.

Water treatment chemicals and systems treatment chemicals shall be certified, listed, and labeled by an ANSI-accredited certification organization, and/or have an EPA FIFRA registration and be used only in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Only chlorine products that are EPA-registered for use as sanitizers or disinfectants in aquatic vessels or spas in the United States are permitted.

Containers of chemicals shall be labeled, tagged, or marked with the identity of the material and a statement of the hazardous effects of the chemical according to OSHA and/or EPA materials labeling requirements. If a chemical is transferred to another container, it should be labeled for contents so that first responders can provide appropriate treatment. Not all poisons are treated the same.

Chemical Addition Methods: Automatically Introduced disinfection and pH control chemicals shall be automatically introduced through the recirculation system. Super chlorination or shock chemicals and other pool chemicals other than disinfection and pH control may be added manually to the pool. Chemicals added manually directly into the pool shall only be introduced in the absence of bathers. Treatment chemicals shall be added in strict adherence to the manufacturer's use instructions to ensure levels in the water are safe for human exposure. Whenever required by the manufacturer, chemicals shall be diluted (or mixed with water) prior to application and as per the manufacturer's directions. Added Chemicals shall be added to water when diluting as opposed to adding water to a concentrated chemical. Each chemical shall be mixed in a separate, labeled container. Never mix together two or more chemicals in the same dilution water.



Protect yourself and swimmers from the thousands of preventable injuries that occur each year.

BEFORE YOU USE POOL CHEMICALS

Get trained in pool chemical safety (for example, during an operator training course).

Ask for help if you are **not** trained for specific tasks.

Read entire product label or Safety Data Sheets (SDS) before using. Learn your pool's Emergency Chemical Spill Response Plan and practice steps (for example, evacuation)

USING POOL CHEMICALS SAFELY

- Wear appropriate safety equipment (for example, safety goggles and gloves).
- Read product label before each use:
 - Handle in a well-ventilated area.
 - Minimize dust, fumes, and splashes.
 - Measure carefully.
- Open one container at a time and close it before opening another.

- Never mix:
 - Chlorine products with acid; this could create toxic gases.
 - Different pool chemicals (for example, different types of chlorine products) with each other or with any other substance.
- Only pre-dissolve pool chemicals when directed by product label
 - If label directs pre-dissolving, add the pool chemical to water. NEVER add water to the pool chemical because a violent (potentially explosive) reaction can occur.

Always respond to pool chemical spills immediately. Follow your pool's Emergency Chemical Spill Response Plan, and be sure to contact the proper authorities and management.





www.cdc.gov/healthywater/swimming/aquatics-professionals

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LIBRARY

Our Hoopla website is now live: https://www.hoopladigital.com/

To start:

- click on the link
- click the blue button, top center: "Get started today" You will need to enter your email address and create a password
- choose your library
- enter your library card number (Enfield card numbers are 1-4 digits long). If you don't know your card number, please call us!

Start enjoying all sorts of content! Hoopla is a groundbreaking digital media service that allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone – and even your TV! Titles can be streamed immediately, or downloaded to phones or tablets for offline enjoyment later. There are hundreds of thousands of titles to choose from, with more being added daily.

Questions? We are here for you! Just call or email us.

Happy Summer Enfield,

Unicorn Sparkle story time is posted on our YouTube channel. Enjoy! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eGUUhH8NHlE&list=PLHCFHPkfRbVXhMe8Vsbi3myng M1TnHmQ4

Big News: Weekly outdoor story time starts Wednesday, August 11 at 10:00, at Huse Park Pavilion!

Enfield Public Library
603-632-7145
library@enfield.nh.us
https://www.enfield.nh.us/enfield-public-library

RECREATION

Information and Registration for Enfield and Regional Recreation opportunities can be found at https://mvpr.recdesk.com

Enfield Recreation

Any questions about Enfield Recreation, please contact Ed Winters, Enfield Recreation Director, at recreation@enfield.nh.us

Reservations for Use of Town Parks & Fields

Just a bit of clarification for those interested in use of the Town's parks and fields for events:

- The Enfield Community Building is reserved with the Town Manager's Office (abonnette@enfield.nh.us), but
- o **Town parks and fields** are reserved with Enfield Recreation Director, Ed Winters (recreation@enfield.nh.us).

Line Dancing

Have you tried out our Thursday afternoon line dancing class yet? Grab a friend and join professional dance instructor Jamie Orr on Thursdays from 1:15-2:15pm at the Enfield Community Building. This is a fun and friendly class and they dance to ALL types of music.

Chair Yoga & Exercise

The Enfield Recreation Department continues to offer the highly attended Chair 12 Yoga/Exercise classes at the Enfield Community Building. These classes are low impact and focus on stretching, balance, strength and meditation. The classes are only \$5.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required. 9:30 am - 10:30 am.

Please note the revised schedule – Wednesdays Only!

- August 4
- August 11

Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation

Come join us at the **Enfield Market** at Huse Park from 10AM-1PM on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month(May 8th- October 9th). Our vendor list is still growing, including prepared food options, seasonal produce, and live music! Follow the Enfield Market on Facebook. Please email mvalleyrec@gmail.com for more information or if you are an interested vendor.

Keep up to date with our current program registrations here (please note, outside organization's programs may have their own registration page): https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home

Youth Programs:

Mascoma Youth Sports League - Fall Registration for Soccer(grades K-6) & Field Hockey (grades 3-6) is open. Register here. Email mystlboard@gmail.com for questions Also looking for coaches or volunteers.

Adult & Family Opportunities:

Movie in the Park - End of Summer - Grab your blankets, chairs and head down to Huse Park for a fun summer treat. The Enfield NH Police Department, Enfield Parks and Recreation and Mascoma Valley Parks and Recreation are hosting the 1991 classic Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II: The Secret of the Ooze. Saturday, August 28th. Movie starts around dusk. Admission is free!

Adult Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball - Shaker Recreation Field- more information to come, keep an eye out on the <u>calendar</u> or email Bridget for more information.

Adult Co-Ed Softball League (Rubberball League)- for more information email- <u>canaancoedsoftball@gmail.com</u> or check out their <u>Facebook</u> page

Disc Golf - We are working to add a disc golf course to our community. Come be part of the discussions and see how you could potentially help. Check out the <u>Mascoma Disc Golf</u> Facebook page or contact Bridget for more info.

Beginner Yoga - The classes are all levels and beginners are always welcome. For further information please contact Sonya at sonyayoga2007@gmail.com Classes are \$12 for drop-in, \$10 for students and seniors, space is limited, be sure to email Sonya if you would like to attend and to keep up with the schedule.

For any of our running enthusiasts, registration is now open for the **2021 Upper Valley Running Series**! If you enjoy running or are looking to get into the sport, then this is the perfect series for you. The Upper Valley Running Series consists of 7 local races taking place everywhere from Enfield to Sharon, one of the races even benefits the Cross Country and Track Programs at Indian River School. Signing up for the whole series gives you an overall discount of 25% compared to the early registration fees for each race individually. Information about the Series <u>can be found here</u> and registration <u>can be found here</u>.

Check out **Trail Finder**, you are able to print the trail maps or download them to your phone if there will be no service on your hike. Take a look: https://www.trailfinder.info/

UNH Extension is offering many workshops. Visit: www.naturegroupie.org for more information.

Don't forget to check out other opportunities and programs **Upper Valley Trail Alliance** offers for all ages at https://www.uvtrails.org

For any questions about Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation please contact Bridget at mvalleyrec@gmail.com.

Follow MVPR on Facebook & Instagram!

"KNOW YOUR TOWN"

"Know your Town" is presented by the Enfield Heritage Commission. Each month we'll bring you a bit of insight into the origins of street names or places you see every day.

Interstate 89

One of the most important roads for Enfield is one of its newest. No artery is as important as Interstate 89 for both our daily connections to jobs and errands and for reaching the world beyond the Upper Valley.

I-89 originated with President Dwight Eisenhower's signing of the *Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956*. The first Upper Valley interstate connection was I-91, which was completed in 1965. Our section of I-89, between Bow Junction and White River Junction, was completed in 1968.¹

I-89 is so deeply engrained in Enfield that we probably could not imagine life any other way. But it almost was. I-89 was originally intended as a strictly north-south (designated with an odd number) road, that would split off I-95 at Norwalk, CT and extend to the Canadian border. After three years of discussion, I-89's route was changed to link Boston and Montreal.²

There was further debate over two proposed routes for I-89: One would go from Warner, N.H. (near today's Exit 9) and run south of Mount Sunapee to Claremont, where it would cross into

Vermont and head up the Champlain Valley. The second route would go from New London through Lebanon to Montpelier and Burlington. Claremont businessmen lobbied unsuccessfully for the former. The political firepower of NH governor Lane Dwinell and U.S. Senator Norris Cotton, who were both from Lebanon, made the second choice a reality.³

The new highway's route took advantage of existing roads, including Enfield sections of NH Route 10 and US Route 4. It followed the valley between Shaker Mountain and Methodist Hill, which is wider than the 4A corridor that serves these areas. I-89 split off a corner of Enfield known as West Enfield, which was already remote from the town's population and commercial centers. Exits 15 and 16 were created to serve this area. In 1960 Enfield selectmen named the exits "Montcalm" and "Purmort" for the Montcalm settlement, which once had a school and post office, and a local family. The Purmort exit (14) provides access to US 4 via Eastman Hill Road. The roads reached via the Montcalm exit are dead ends and I-89's Exit 15 is the only way out, making it an essential road.

New Hampshire residents travel an average of 2,400 miles on interstates. Upwards of 22,000 vehicles travel on I-89 between exits 14 and 17 according to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (most recent numbers are from 2013).⁴

According to a 2009 federal mandate, New England states that number exits sequentially from state lines must renumber them based on mileage. This would make it possible to add or close exits without renumbering. A mileage numbering system facilitates highway work and rescue. Although Vermont has changed its signage, New Hampshire's Governor Sununu has sworn to resist. "Exit numbers are a point of pride for some of us in NH – and we shouldn't let Washington bureaucrats threaten to take that away!" DOT officials confirm that there are no plans to change Enfield's exit numbers.

Exits are more than just a point of pride. The political support that brought I-89 and spurred development of 12A and the Lebanon-Enfield area also gave us our exits 14 through 17. We have them to thank if Enfield is not Claremont or Windsor.

1http://www.nhgoodroads.org/UploadedFiles/Files/InterstateHihgwaySystem.pdf
2https://intertropolisandrouteville.fandom.com/wiki/Interstate_89#New_Hampshire
3https://www.vnews.com/Archives/2016/02/column-taylor-interstate-vn-012116
4https://www.nh.gov/dot/org/operations/traffic/tvr/locations/documents/enfield.pdf,
5https://www.nh.gov/dot/org/operations/traffic/tvr/locations/documents/lebanon.pdf

MEETINGS & EVENTS

ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING

All public meetings are now being held **in person**.

Some meetings, including most Selectboard meetings, will be a hybrid of in-person and Zoom videoconference. If Zoom is available for the meeting the connection information will be posted on the Town website along with the meeting posting. There are audio-only options available.

While we had some quality issues at our first hybrid meeting on June 21st we have made some temporary improvements and hope to have a more permanent solution by the next Selectboard meeting. We appreciate your patience while we become accustomed to running the new hybrid format.

Electronic or virtual attendance is provided as a courtesy only with no guarantee of quality or ability to participate.

Please note: Zoom meeting attendees will be muted upon entry. To signal that you have a question or comment, you can virtually raise your hand during a Zoom meeting. To raise your hand in Zoom's desktop app, click the "Raise Hand" button in the "Participants" tab. The ability for attendees to unmute themselves will be restricted until such time as they are invited to speak by the Board. If a Zoom participant is invited to speak, the ability to unmute will be temporarily restored. After invited comments are made the ability to unmute will again be restricted. Procedures may change as we become accustomed to the new hybrid format.

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

If a Zoom meeting option is also provided for a meeting you will find it online at www.enfield.nh.us in the specific meeting posting.

The meetings below are linked to the Town's website so you can easily access the most up-todate information.

- August 2 @ 6:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Board of Selectmen
- August 5 @ 7:00 PM (Public Works) Conservation Commission
- August 9 @ 5:00 PM (Library) Library Trustees
- August 9 @ 6:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Master Planning Task Force
- August 10 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- August 10 @ 7:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Zoning Board of Adjustment
- August 11 @ 7:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Planning Board
- August 12 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) Cemetery Trustees
- August 12 @ 6:30 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Budget Committee
- August 16 @ 6:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Board of Selectmen
- August 18 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall & Zoom) Recreation Commission
- August 23 @ 6:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Master Planning Task Force
- August 24 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) Energy Committee
- August 25 @ 7:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Planning Board
- August 26 @ 4:30 PM (Public Works) Heritage Commission
- September 2 @ 7:00 PM (Public Works) Conservation Commission
- September 7 @ 3:30 PM (Public Works) Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- September 8 @ 7:00 PM (Public Works & Zoom) Planning Board
- September 9 @ 6:00 PM (Public Works) Cemetery Trustees

COMMUNITY EVENTS

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Include a notice of your Community Event on our Community & Business Calendar of Events which you'll find on our website on the Community & Business main page: https://www.enfield.nh.us/community-businesses. Previous posts on the Community Bulletin Board that were informational in nature, but not events, can be found under the appropriate department page. For instance, Friends of Mascoma Food Pantry information can be found on the Human Services page under Food Assistance.

Do you have a Community Event to share? Send all of the particulars, and a digital photo or poster to abonnette@enfield.nh.us and we'll post it for you.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Research Study – How has COVID-19 Affected your Family?

Tell us what you think for a chance to win a \$30 gift card! Take 10-15 minutes to tell the Upper Valley Project Launch team how COVID-19 has impacted your family so we can better serve your needs. Participants must live in the Upper Valley, be at least 18 years old, and have one child 8 years or younger.

All participants have a chance to win one of fifty \$30 gift cards.

Survey link

here: https://dartmouth.coi.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8uGC4yugKdjxljg?Q_CHL=qr&fbclid= IwARiiAYGXnVu68kG_6AT6vcuq6Bvoj-A1dADk4ClzniXa7XShjdzk7WVdjFk

Project Launch is a research project of the Dartmouth Trauma Interventions Research Center at Dartmouth Hitchcock's Department of Psychiatry. For more information: https://www.dartmouth-hitchcock.org/psychiatry/dtirc-project-launch

Shared by the Public Health Council at the request of Project Launch partners:

Alice R. Ely, MPH

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Friends of Mascoma Foundation

As you may or may not know, the Friends of Mascoma Foundation has been working with the UNH Extension on a project called Mascoma Builds Community Resilience. UNH Extension received a grant to facilitate this project in three rural NH communities and Mascoma was selected as one of the three. This is different than the Enfield Master Planning process, but we will be working collaboratively so that both groups can benefit from each other's findings. We are using 'resilience' as a broad term and realize it is a bit ambiguous. The context of the project is rural communities emerging from the COVID-19 Pandemic and working together within their community to gather information, make organizational connections, apply lessons learned and re-emerge as a stronger community. We have had three virtual meetings so far, but you can get involved at any time. Below is some more information and a few ways to get involved now!

We are trying to reestablish community post-COVID-19 and the voices of the Mascoma community together. Some of what we are working on:

- Building a regional team of partners and community members interested in building resiliency in the Mascoma region
- Coming together as a community to learn about each other, our assets, and where to go from here
- Beginning to identify ways to build resiliency in community and how to take action as part of a regional team

Ways to get involved today->

- 1. LAST CALL FOR THE SNA: As part of the Mascoma Builds Community Resilience project, we are conducting a Social Network Analysis (SNA) to better understand what organizations are currently collaborating with each other in the region and at what level. Please fill out our quick survey to help us see who you are already connected to in the Mascoma region: https://unh.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV ekXzAAyvwoYgGaO This survey will close on Friday August 6th.
- 2. We are trying to get a better understanding of what 'community' means to folks generally and specifically what they like (or do not like) about the Mascoma Valley Region. Please answer the three questions on the form link here: https://forms.office.com/r/2dqgiLvEhA OR with this QR Code



3. Help us spread the word! Share information about this project with your friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc... The more folks that know about this project and participate the better the results will be!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Eula at elkozma@friendsofmascoma.org.







Mascoma Sailing Club's Thursday Evening Community Sailing

The Mascoma Sailing Club is hosting Thursday evening community sailing through Labor Day, 2021. If you are interested in sailing and want to see what it's like, you are welcome to join us. You'll have an opportunity to trim the sails and even spend some time at the helm if you like.

Dates: Thursdays, through Labor Day (weather permitting)

Meeting time: 4:30pm

Location: Mascoma Lakeside Park

Details will be posted each week on the Enfield listserv and on the MSC website https://sites.google.com/site/shakersailclub/. **Please RSVP** by contacting Sally Sharp at smsharp66@gmail.com if you would like to join us. We have a limited number of spots (first come, first served); if we can't accommodate you this week we'll put you at the top of the list for next week.

- o All participants should have completed their Covid 19 vaccinations.
- o Life jackets will be provided if needed, but please bring your own if you have one.
- o Water-friendly footwear is a good idea.
- o Let us know if you have limited mobility.
- Vaccinated minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian and must be able to swim and be comfortable moving from a rowing dinghy to the sailboat.
- As safety is our first priority, we may not sail if there are high winds or if thunderstorms threaten.

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