



The Town of Newington E-Newsletter includes information about Town-sponsored events, projects, and special announcements. Visit www.newington.nh.us to join the distribution list, or to be removed.

Board of Selectmen

Timothy "Ted" Connors, Chair
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Upcoming Meetings:

Town Hall
will be closed
in celebration
of Columbus
Day on
Monday,
October 10th

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10/3/2022	Board of Selectmen	5: 30pm	Town Hall
10/4/2022	Police Commission	4pm	Police Station
10/4/2022	Recreation Committee	5pm	Library
10/5/2022	Board of Fire Engineers	5:30pm	Fire Station
10/5/2022	Budget Committee	6pm	Town Hall
10/11/2022	Board of Selectmen	5:30pm	Town Hall
10/13/2022	Conservation Commission	6:30pm	Town Hall
10/17/2022	Board of Selectmen	5: 30pm	Town Hall
10/17/2022	Planning Board	6pm	Town Hall
10/18/2022	Trustees of the Trust Fund	6pm	Library
10/19/2022	Sewer Commission	9am	Wst. Water Trtmt. Facility
10/17/2022	Board of Selectmen	5: 30pm	Town Hall
10/24/2022	Board of Selectmen	5: 30pm	Town Hall
10/31/2022	Board of Selectmen	5: 30pm	Town Hall

HALLOWEEN!

Trick or Treat will be held
on Sunday, October 30th
from 5-7pm



Laura Coleman -Retirement

Thank you, Laura Coleman, for your many years of service to the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors office. Your hard work and dedication to the residents of Newington was always appreciated. Enjoy your well-earned retirement!

Elections

The General Election will be held on November 8th in the Town Hall. The polls will be open 8am-7pm. Contact the Town Clerks office for absentee ballot applications

603-646-7640 x1 or email Dcaraadonna@townofnewingtonnh.com

Police Department



We can hang on to summer as long as we can, but it is inevitable, fall is here!! With that being said, there comes different outside activities many participate in. I'm not leading into fairs and apple picking, but as noted in the past five seasons of fall newsletters, I'm talking about hunting.

Each year we field a lot of questions regarding hunting season and what hunters can and cannot do. Hunters are not allowed to hunt on town property or private property that is posted properly. For further guidance, visit NH Fish and Game website at; <https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us>



October 10 - October 16 in ONLY the following WMUs: D2, G, H1, H2, I1, I2, J1, J2, K, L, M	Fall turkey/ shotgun (in certain WMUs only)
September - March	Small game and furbearers/ dates vary by species and region
October 1 - December 31	Pheasant
October 15 - October 23, 2022	Moose (by permit only)
October 22 - 23, 2022	Youth deer-hunting weekend
October 29 - November 8, 2022	Deer/ muzzleloader

November 9 - December 4, 2022	<u>Deer/regular firearms (closes one week early in WMU A)</u>
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The Great Bay Wildlife refuge lottery hunt will be held between Thursday, November 17th & Friday, November 18th.

For the last five years, your officers have been participating in “Beards for Bucks” in support of the Child Advocacy Center (CAC). Male officers will be growing facial hair and female officers will either dye a portion of their hair blue or don blue nail polish for the month of October. The Rockingham County CAC is dedicated to “pursuing the truth in child abuse cases” by coordinating a team, focused on the wellbeing of children in child abuse, neglect or sexual assault cases and

prosecution. The team is comprised of law enforcement, county attorneys, protective services, victim advocacy agencies and health professions.



The Rockingham County CAC is a nonprofit organization that relies on grants and donations to continue their fight against child abuse. For more information on the Rockingham County CAC, visit their web site at; CACNH.org/rockinghamcounty.

If interested in supporting your officers in their endeavor, please visit; <https://www.justgiving.com/team/newingtonpd> and donate. Thank you in advance for your support.

Thank you, Sergeant Wood and Augie, for your demonstration at Septemberfest 2022!!



Between August 22nd and September 1st, we set the speed trailer on Fox Point Road near Bean Lane and the results are in. Within the dates, a total of 3,513 vehicles traveled on Fox Point, with the highest volume of traffic being between 12pm and 5pm. The minimum average speed calculated was 21 mph. The maximum average speed calculated was 33 mph. The total average speed calculated was 26 mph.

Between September 2nd and September 9th, we set the speed trailer on Bean Lane and the results are in. Within the dates, a total of 2,112 vehicles traveled on Bean Lane with the highest volume of traffic being between 11am and 9pm. The minimum average speed calculated was 17 mph. The maximum average speed calculated was 23 mph. The total average speed calculated was 19 mph.

September monthly statistics as of September 26th.

Motor vehicle stops	118	Summons/warnings issued
Accidents	10	Reports taken
Incidents/calls for service	27	Reports taken
Arrests	8	Felony/Misdemeanor offences
Field Interviews	2	Suspicious person(s)
Warrants	2	Felony/Misdemeanors

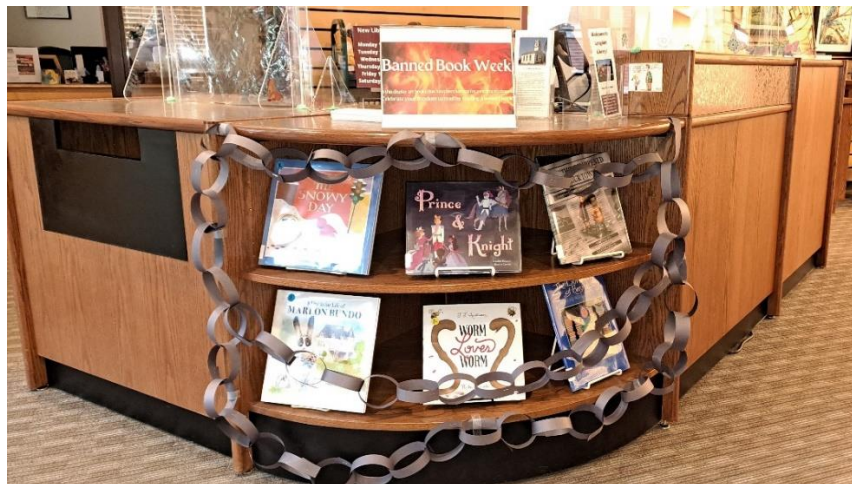
If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to give me a call 431-5461 or send me an email; mbilodeau@newingtonhpd.com

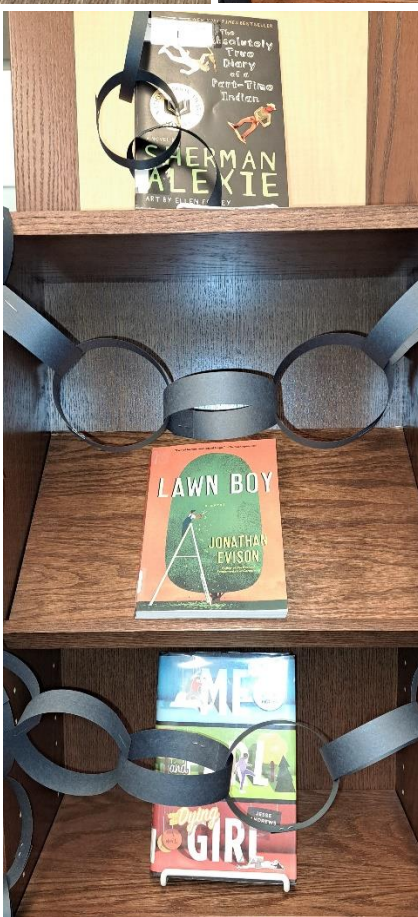
Be safe and healthy!!

Chief Michael Bilodeau



Our Display for Banned Books Week September 18 – 24, 2022





August 2022 Library Usage Statistics

Checkouts	Visits	NH Downloadables	Hoopla Digital	Room Use	Interlibrary Loan (To and From)
661	524	269	94	162	121

October News from the Library

Hello Newington!

It is going to be a very fun and busy month here in town, with both library events as well as the Recreation Committee and their new Recreation Coordinator, Esmerelda! The first event is of course **the Senior Dinner on Sunday, October 2, from 4 to 6:30 PM**. I (Lara) will be volunteering and look forward to seeing many of you there! Next, on **Tuesday, October 4 at 6 PM**, in collaboration with our Teen Advisory Group, **the library is hosting our first writer's group meeting**. The first writing prompt will be "First Lines." Bring a "first line" of a book the group may use as a writing prompt, and a notebook or laptop. This group will meet monthly on the first Tuesday of the month.

After the **holiday weekend closing (Saturday October 8 and Monday October 10)** come to the library's **October Morning & Evening Book Group, on Tuesday, October 11 at 6:30 PM or Friday, October 14 at 10:30 AM**, for adults and teens. New participants welcome. We are reading [The Last Days of Ptolemy Grey](#) by Walter Mosley, and copies are available to check out from the library and on [NH Downloadables](#). NEW: In addition to the two in-person discussions, **we are now adding an online option to discuss the book. It can be found on our website on the [Blog](#) page**. To access each month's discussion, you will need to contact the library, or get it from the library newsletter. Not signed up for the library's monthly newsletter and want to be? Click here to register: <https://www.langdonlibrary.org/langdon-letter/> While some of the information overlaps with this one, we are working on changes that will make them more distinct.

The following week, the Teen Advisory Group **invites Newington teens and their friends to a Halloween Movie Night at the library, on Tuesday, October 18 at 5:30 PM**. We will watch [Ghostbusters](#) (2016 PG-13) in the kids' room and have snacks.

Later that week on **October 20 at 10:30 AM**, we are very excited to announce that **Caregiver Café returns to the library, with Cornerstone VNA**. This program is an opportunity for caregivers to meet for support, education and conversation. We look forward to welcoming some of our pre-pandemic attendees, as well as new Newington area caregivers.

That weekend, the Recreation Committee brings you the **Newington History Trolley Tour, with a Family tour option at 11:45 AM and an Adults tour at 2 PM**, starting and ending at Old Town

Hall. On that **Tuesday the 25th, the library will host a Kids Game Night.** We will play Nintendo Switch on the big screen. We have Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, Minecraft, Just Dance, and more. Kids can bring their own Switch or other gaming platforms to play too.

Finally, for preschoolers and their caregivers: please **note the new time for [Story Time](#) on Fridays: we have moved it to 11 AM.** Join Miss Brittany every Friday for dancing, fingerplays, activities and a read-aloud, with a Halloween themed one on Friday, October 28.

See you at the library!

Lara, Theresa, Brittany and Deb

www.langdonlibrary.org

Next Library Trustee Meeting: Thursday October 20, 5:30 PM at the library

RECREATION NEWS

Hi Newington Residents!

- Young and old can now enjoy the new zipline located at the playground behind the old town hall



- Septemberfest 2022 was a success thanks to the wonderful volunteers that made it all happen starting several weeks prior to the day of the festival, all the way through the day of the event and after culminating with the large clean-up effort at Fox Point. The attendance hit record numbers. The band played late into the evening after the amazing fireworks show.





SEPTEMBERFEST PHOTOS



- Free Pick-up Tennis is available starting in October thru November every Monday from 4:30 til 6:30 at the town tennis courts near the school.

- Tennis lessons with Polly (reasonable cost to participants) is also available. Contact her on Sign-up Genius or at NewingtonRecreation@gmail.com to arrange times.

- Couples Dance Classes are coming in November!

- The Recreation Committee has created a Suggestion Card you can find at the Town Hall and at most Town Recreation Events. Send in your ideas/suggestions.

- Pickleball is a rapidly growing sport. To avoid the problems most communities have experienced trying to blend pickleball and tennis, the Recreation Committee is working with an avid pickleballer, Wayne Semprini, to establish a place to play (3 courts) at the current basketball court in south Newington. Pickleball court lines will be painted and portable nets will be procured no later than Spring 2023. The basketball hoops will stay as is. The Recreation Committee is trying to put up a chain link fence along the busy Newington Road to keep balls from drifting into traffic.

- The Recreation Committee continues to solicit ideas from Town artists to paint a mural on the tennis court back board. The baseball field renovation looks great with all new base pads and a new pitcher's mound. Let's play ball!!

Halloween is coming soon, October 30th will be our Trunk and Treat at 4pm until 7pm. Its being offered by the Newington Recreation Committee as an addition to the Town wide Trick or Treat night. Best location will be at the Town Hall parking lot. It has lights which will be useful for when we decorate our minivans, cars, trucks or any other vehicle. Some of the adults and children want to have a safe place to Trick or Treat rather than going door to door down driveways that are very long and scary. Lets enjoy wearing our costumes and bringing trunks full of treats!! Happy Halloween!!



The tennis backboard needs to be painted. Once the wall gets a fresh coat of paint, we will be seeking proposals from Newington artists for ideas to design and paint a mural on the top half of the wall. Send your proposals to the town Recreation Committee at (newingtonrecreation@gmail.com).



The Historical Trolley Ride is coming to Newington!! Get ready to sign-up it's going to fill up fast!! On October 23rd the trolley arrives at the Old Town Hall, after you sign-up with the Sign-up Genius... Be prepared to arrive at 11:45 for the family trolley, narrated by our very own resident Historian John Lamson. Then the adult trolley will load up with new passengers (Sign-up Genius) and John will again continue with his stories of Newington.

Esmerelda Medeiros, Newington Recreation Director

Newington Fire & Rescue

Well Summer is over and Fall is officially here. The days are getting shorter and the leaves are already starting to change. It won't be too long, and we'll need to break out the sweaters. In just a few short weeks it will be Halloween and then we will be setting our clocks back, this year has flown by. Before I get going too far, I just want to give a huge shout out to the recreation committee for Septemberfest. It was a great turn out and I've heard nothing but great things from everyone that was there that I talked too. Also wanted to give a big thanks to Jared Savinelli and his crew for the great fireworks show.

Things around the fire station continue to be busy. Both routine and new construction/renovation inspections continue to keep the inspections crew busy. Calls for service continue to exceed last years numbers. The calls are not specific to a certain type or location, but are across the board. This year's fire safety message for October's fire prevention week is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." through the NFPA. For the families with kids at the NPS, we will be handing out some fire safety gifts in the next few weeks. We strongly encourage you to practice these activities with all the members within your households to make sure everyone gets out safely incase of an emergency. If you don't have any kids at NPS and would like some of the materials that will be handed out, just reach out and I will be more than happy to get it to you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE READ

For some of the older residents in town that will remember the times before 911, or the younger ones that grew up here in town, when the fire department and ambulance used to utilize a traditional phone number to report an emergency, 436-5737. The police department had their own emergency number as well, 436-7033. Most residents and businesses used to have a small orange sticker either on or near their phone with these numbers printed on them. With the creation and utilization of 911, these old emergency numbers, for the most part, were no longer needed. In the next month or so residents and businesses will be receiving a mailing about the old fire department emergency number being discontinued. We will also be requesting your help with getting this notification to our more senior population that don't utilize the internet or social media, who may still in fact have these little orange stickers by their phones. Please let them know about this update, or please give me a call and I will be more than happy to swing by and chat with them and let them know what is going on. Biggest thing, is to make sure everyone is in the loop on this moving forward.

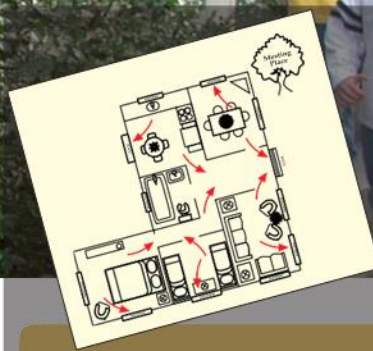
If you utilize an alarm company to monitor your home or business here in Town and it is currently using the old FD emergency number (436-5737) or the old PD emergency number (436-7033), you can have your alarm monitoring company change the number to **(603) 679-2225**. This will cover both police and fire/EMS. It is monitored 24/7 by our dispatch center.

As always, we are here and available if you have any needs or questions. Stay safe.

E.J. Hoyt
Fire Chief
436-9441 x6
ehoyt@newingtonfire.org

Escape Planning

Plan Ahead! If a fire breaks out in your home, you may have only a few minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Everyone needs to know what to do and where to go if there is a fire.



SAFETY TIPS

- » **MAKE** a home escape plan. Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Discuss the plan with everyone in your home.
- » **KNOW** at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily.
- » **HAVE** an outside meeting place (like a tree, light pole or mailbox) a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet.
- » **PRACTICE** your home fire drill at night and during the day with everyone in your home, twice a year.
- » **PRACTICE** using different ways out.
- » **TEACH** children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- » **CLOSE** doors behind you as you leave.

IF THE ALARM SOUNDS...

- » If the smoke alarm sounds, **GET OUT AND STAY OUT**. Never go back inside for people or pets.
- » If you have to escape through smoke, **GET LOW AND GO** under the smoke to your way out.
- » **CALL** the fire department from outside your home.

- ❗ A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire. Install smoke alarms inside every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home. Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- ❗ According to an NFPA survey, **only one of every three** American households have actually developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.
- ❗ While **71%** of Americans have an escape plan in case of a fire, only **47%** of those have practiced it.
- ❗ **One-third** of American households who made an estimate thought they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life-threatening. The time available is often less. And only **8%** said their first thought on hearing a smoke alarm would be to get out!



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

NEWINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Newington Historical Society just completed their new website (www.NewingtonNH.org <<http://www.NewingtonNH.org>>). It was a significant process and involved Flylight Media from Portsmouth, NH as well as a major contribution from Jay Wendell and Lulu Pickering. Jay created a great initial site with many of the images and stories seen in the final version. Lulu, in turn, provided many additional images and details about the numerous campaigns and projects the Historical Society is working on. Flylight Media then took this information and through a collaborative process, created this truly dynamic and timely site.

The Historical Society is always looking for new members so check out the page and give us a call or drop by one of our "Tavern Nights" at the Old Parsonage.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Held twice a year, **Next date: November 12, 2022, 8 am to 12 noon at the Portsmouth Recycling Center, 680 Peverly Hill Road.**

For residents of Portsmouth, Greenland & Newington - Proof of Residency Required.

Location: Department of Public Works, 680 Peverly Hill Road, Portsmouth, NH 03801

NO LATEX PAINT will be accepted at this collection event. Latex paint may be solidified with kitty litter, sawdust, speedy dry or by opening the can and allowing the paint to completely dry before it is disposed either at the Recycling Center or through regular trash pick-up.

Bring your unwanted household chemicals to Portsmouth's Dept of Public Works for safe disposal including:

What Is Household Hazardous Waste?

Hazardous wastes typically found in homes include: · Gasoline · Antifreeze · Photographic Chemicals · Oil-Based Paints · Drain Cleaners · Pesticides · Furniture Strippers · Oven Cleaners · Disinfectants · Kerosene · Spot Removers · Used Motor Oil · Auto Batteries

Why Should I be Concerned?

When improperly stored and disposed these products can injure you, your family, or your pets; harm the environment; and possibly contaminate drinking water supplies.

What Should I Do?

Residents of Portsmouth, Greenland and Newington can bring their household hazardous waste to Portsmouth's Department of Public Works, 680 Peverly Hill Rd. Portsmouth.

For more information about Household Hazardous Waste Collection (HHW) call DES at 271-2047

or visit our household hazardous waste web site

at: <http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/p2au/pps/hhwp/index.htm>

Hours of Operation: Town Offices - Mon - Fri. 9 - 4:30pm

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Tuesday through Thursday 9am-2:00pm

Building Dept. - Monday - Friday 7:30am- 3:30pm

Planning Dept. - Monday & Thursday 9 - 4:30pm (Planner by appointment)

Transfer Station - Wed. 5 - 7pm, Sat 9 - 3pm

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Newington Town Hall 603-436-7640