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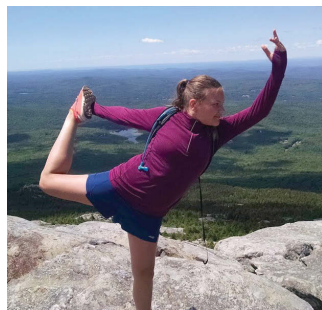
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Playgrounders Head Up the Mountain

BY ELIOT PELLETIER

As I looked at the calendar for the third week of camp at the Dublin Summer Playground, which happened to be our “nature week” filled with nature-themed activities, one day in particular caught my eye. On July 12, we were scheduled to make our ascent of Mt. Monadnock



via the Old Farmer's Trail, and looking at the weather forecast for that Thursday I couldn't help but

get excited. Things had been going well at Playground, with many new faces among the campers, all who seemed to be enjoying themselves playing 4-square, basketball, various forms of tag, and of course climbing and hanging all over the unique playground structures.

Our love for the fun DCS facilities notwithstanding, the Mount Monadnock hike has been one of my favorite Playground activities in the 15 years I have been working here. The summit of Monadnock has always been a truly sacred place for me, and it brings me great joy to have the chance to share it with appreciative (and quite intrepid) groups of children.

Last summer, our date to climb ended up featuring an absolute deluge, and our rain date was also a washout. Many campers were disappointed that we never got to climb. This year, however, the forecast was perfect, and our list of climbers grew to 23 campers. I was a bit anxious, as it's always nerve wracking being responsible for so many people's loved ones on what could always be a challenging trip, but looking

over the list, I just got the feeling that it was going to be a great hike.

We met at the trailhead on Old Troy Road at 9 am, and it was already getting hot. We passed out extra water and made sure as the kids were dropped off that they were equipped and ready for the trip. I always impress on parents that it's a strenuous hike. Occasionally a parent asks me if their child is too young to climb, and I usually ask them how motivated their child is to get to the top. I've always found motivation is more important than age or even fitness level. I could tell that the group we had this year was ready, and so we set out quickly up the trail.

We had arranged the climbers into groups according to their predicted speed, and we made sure each group had a couple of counselors to stick with them. I ended up taking the “slower” group, which had some younger kids and a few Monadnock novices. Hearing some loud panting as we ascended the rather gradual initial slopes, I became a bit concerned that the climb might be too tough for some of the kids.

However, after talking with them, it was clear that all of the kids really wanted to reach that summit. We pushed on, settling into a good rhythm.

Young Noah, a veteran of two previous climbs, offered tips regarding the best routes up some of the scrambles. We stopped frequently to admire the sights, with Thoreau's famous words “I came not to look off from it, but to look at it” ringing in my ears as we noticed frog ponds, moss gardens, and unique rock formations.

Reaching the treeline, I smiled as I heard the kids gasp at the sudden panorama. It was a beautifully clear day, and the lakes reflecting deep blues below the shadows of distant unknown peaks really seemed to affect the group profoundly. We climbed further, reaching the top after about two hours of hiking. We were cheered on by the other Playground campers, who sat eating their lunch as we made our approach.

Once on the bald top we were treated to some amazing views. We could clearly see the skyscrapers of Boston, as well as a beautiful group of circling hawks.

Gazing towards Keene, we saw the

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Photographs by Eliot Pelletier

Dublin Public Library

A new book to the library collection, *In Praise of Wasting Time*, by Alan Lightman encourages everyone to stop multitasking and to “waste” some time. This is a small book – 102 pages – long enough to explore a powerful idea but short enough to read in a single sitting. Give yourself the gift of wasting a little time.

There are two more weeks of the Summer Reading Program. On August 1, we will make puppets and use the theater at the

NEW BOOKS

The Great Alone by K. Hannah

The Perfect Couple
by E. Hilderbrand

The Weather Detective
by P. Wohlleben

Bearskin by J. McLaughlin

*Ten Arguments for Deleting
Your Social Media*
by J. Lanier

Stay Hidden by P. Doiron

Manhattan Beach by J. Egan

The Word is Murder
by A. Horowitz

library to act out a few stories or put on short plays. After many weeks together, everyone feels more comfortable and volunteers are easy to find! Our summer theme, “Are you the reason someone smiled today?” has made us all aware of how words and actions have lasting effects. On our final program on August 8, we will make parachutes and enjoy ice cream.

Our program will continue on Wednesday mornings through August although we will meet in the main part

of the library at 10:15 am. All ages are welcome to listen to the stories, participate in a craft, and play games. Check out the new library website at www.dublinnhpubliclibrary.org.

2nd Annual Dublin Community BBQ

BY CHIEF TIMOTHY SUOKKO

The Dublin Police Department’s 2nd Annual Dublin Community BBQ and “Touch-A-Truck” will be held on Sunday, August 19, from 11 am to 2 pm in the Yankee parking lot. Members of the department will be on hand grilling up some summer favorites.

The Dublin Police Department will be joined this year by members and vehicles from the Dublin Fire Department, Dublin Highway Department, New Hampshire State Police, New Hampshire Liquor Enforcement, Southwestern NH District Fire Mutual Aid, and from the Animal Planet series’ North Woods Law, Lt. Boudreau and K9 Ruby from New Hampshire Fish and Game, and more.

This is a free event so bring the family for a fun-filled afternoon and check out all of the emergency vehicles on display! This event is rain or shine. Please park behind Town Hall.

TIMOTHY J. SUOKKO is Chief of Police at the Dublin Police Department, 1122 Main St., Dublin, NH 03444; 563-8411.



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glint of a bright red and blue biplane, which dipped its wings and barrel-rolled as it passed by, much to our delight. When it turned around and then flew over the summit inverted above us, I started thinking this had to be one of our best hikes ever!

Hiking back down, I was once again impressed by the wisdom of a young child. Shelby, a first-time hiker, stopped to look up in the middle of the trail. “You just have to stop and admire it,” she said, gazing up at the towering trees and sky. “If you don’t, you’ll miss it.”

Seeing the kids reach their goals, conquering their fears, and appreciating the beauty of nature around them, makes me realize how I am so glad to be a part of the Dublin Summer Playground tradition.

Special thanks to our Monadnock chaperones Will Elcoate, Morgan Carpenter, and Kelly Conley!

ELIOT PELLETIER, a schoolteacher in Jaffrey, has been running the Summer Playground for the last 15 years.



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DHS Mounts World War I Exhibit

BY CELESTE SNITKO

Let We Forget: Dublin's Patriots in WWI, a temporary exhibit created by the Dublin Historical Society (DHS), will open on the top floor of the Town Hall from August 11 to August 26. The exhibit will be open daily from 10 am to 1 pm and two Monday evenings, August 13 and August 20, from 4 pm to 7 pm.

The public is invited to an opening reception on the top floor of the Town Hall on Monday, August 13, from 5:30 pm to 7 pm with light refreshments being served. All are welcome to attend.

The exhibit will include items that are part of DHS collections, such as photographs donated by Gene Gowing. These photos were taken by the Signal Corps, in which Gowing served during WWI. The photos include scenes throughout France, military photos, and President Woodrow Wilson arriving for peace talks held in December 1918. Information and photos of men and women with Dublin connections will be shown as well as the Dublin Honor Roll dedicated in 1918. Information and illustrations that were part of Abbott Thayer's original development of concealment coloration will be available to view.

DHS is indebted to individuals who are loaning artifacts. It is wonderful to have letters, photos, and other documents that have been preserved for 100 years! For example, Lucy Shonk has a uniform her grandfather, Major Herbert B. Shonk, wore as well as the Croix de Guerre medal he was awarded. Major Shonk was part of the intelligence division, and Lucy also provided intelligence maps her grandfather had saved. The Meryman family is loaning items relating to Richard S. Meryman and Abbott Thayer.

Steve Hooper of Keene is loaning the nurse's uniform worn by his great aunt, Marion McCune-Rice, as well as framed photos she had taken during her time in France. Marion bought a Kodak camera



Signal Corps photograph of drawing created in France, 1918.

in Paris and took photos while she was stationed there, especially of medical items used at the time.

Many more items and artifacts that have been loaned or are part of DHS collections

will be on display. It is a privilege to be able to exhibit and share with the public such items saved from 100 years ago.

CELESTE SNITKO is a guest curator and volunteer at the Dublin Historical Society.

New Pastor at Dublin Community Church

BY TIM CLARK

On July 1, the Dublin Community Church (DCC) voted unanimously to call Traceymay Kalvaitis to the pulpit as its new minister for a term of one year, which may be extended by mutual agreement. Traceymay has been serving as the DCC's primary worship leader since last fall.

The call ended a year of searching for a replacement for the Rev. Mike Scott, who retired in June 2017 after serving the United Church of Christ (UCC) congregation on Main Street for 11 years. With the help of the UCC New Hampshire office, the DCC joined the Community Church of Harrisville and Chesham (CCHC), which was also searching for a part-time minister, in a process called "yoking," which allowed the two churches to hire one full-time minister to serve both. The CCHC congregation voted to call Traceymay later that same day.

Licensure is pending for Traceymay to serve as an Authorized Minister when she begins her official ministry on the first of September. She is currently enrolled in the

New York School of Ministry in preparation for ordination.

Traceymay, who was born in Durham, NC, and has lived in Dublin for eight years, has a B.S. in Science Education. She previously taught at the Quaker Meeting School in Rindge and for the past eight years she has been a lead teacher at Mountain Shadows School here in Dublin. She has also worked for the U.S. Forest Service in Oregon. Her husband, Rimai Kalvaitis, is also a teacher. They have four children, Kamanakai, Avelea, Nakoa, and Surasa.

In order to serve both congregations, Traceymay will conduct services at CCHC in Harrisville at 9 am and at DCC at 10:30 am each Sunday from September through June. In July and August, however, services begin in Dublin at 8:30 am and at CCHC's Chesham sanctuary at 10 am.

TIM CLARK was co-chair of the Pastoral Search Committee, along with Ginny Brooks, who represented the Community Church of Harrisville and Chesham. Other committee members from the Dublin Community Church were Betsey Harris, Felicity Pool, Beth Karliceck, Tim Conrow, and Bruce Simpson.

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Baha'i Annual Event, a Dublin Tradition

Dr. Woodall returns to commemorate Abdu'l-Baha's visit.

BY PHIL AND RUTHIE GAMMONS

Once again, the Baha'is of the Monadnock Region of New Hampshire will commemorate the visit of Abdu'l-Baha to Dublin in the summer of 1912. Abdu'l-Baha was the son of Baha'u'llah, Prophet Founder of the Baha'i Faith, and leader of the Baha'is from 1892 until His death in 1921.

On Sunday, August 12, at 3 pm, there will be a program



at the Dublin Community Church to commemorate Abdu'l-Baha's visit. There will be readings and prayers for peace and also a talk by Dr. John Woodall, of Newtown, CT. Dr. Woodall will also be speaking at the regular Sunday morning service at the Dublin Community Church at 8:30 am.

A reception will follow the afternoon program at

4 pm at the historic Dublin Inn located at 1265 Main Street. All are welcome to attend. These events are free and open to the public.

Dr. Woodall is a psychiatrist with decades of experience serving traumatized populations and facilitating interfaith community building around the world.

Dr. Woodall spoke to us about forgiveness at this event several years ago, after the Sandy Hook tragedy. This year he offers for our consideration core skill sets that can guide our lives to happiness and our world to peace and unity.

For more information, please contact Phil or Ruthie Gammons at 563-8809 or visit <http://dublininn.bahai.us>.

History of Abdu'l-Baha's Visit in Dublin

During the summer of 1912, Abdu'l-Baha stayed in Dublin for three weeks at the invitation of Mrs. Agnes Parsons. After being released from imprisonment in Palestine in 1908 He was able to travel extensively, initially to Europe in 1911, and later to North America from April to December 1912. The accounts of His journeys and talks in France, England, and America were published in many newspapers at the time, and are now available in several publications, including *Abdu'l-Baha in America*, *The Promulgation of Universal Peace*, and *Agnes Parsons' Diary*. These are available at www.bahai bookstore.com. Newspaper articles and photos from that time are available at www.centenary.bahai.us.

While He was here, Abdu'l-Baha spoke at the homes of local residents and at the Dublin Church and the Dublin Inn.

These talks centered on the Baha'i Faith and its teachings

on universal peace, the elimination of all forms of prejudice, the equality of women and men, the need for universal education, and other topics. One of the most remarkable meetings took place at the boathouse on Dublin Lake owned by Mrs. Parsons, now the property of the Dublin School. At this time Abdu'l-Baha spoke to approximately 25-30 of the African-American servants who worked at various homes in Dublin. We know little of the talk except that it centered on the unity of the races.

Today the Baha'is understand this to be one of the most significant acts of Abdu'l-Baha during His entire journey to this continent in 1912.

For more information on this event in town, please contact Phil or Ruthie Gammons at 563-8809 or visit <http://dublininn.bahai.us>.

Over Here: American Artists and WWI

BY LISA FOOTE

All are invited to the Dublin Historical Society's annual meeting on Sunday, August 19, at 4 pm in the Fountain Arts Building at the Dublin School.

After a brief business meeting, Inez McDermott, Professor of Art History at New England College, will present a program about how American artists working during the early 20th century treated the subject matter of war.

Please park at the top of William North Road and walk across the quad. The Fountain Arts Building will be uphill on your right. For those who wish level access, please turn onto Lehmann Way from Old Common Road and park in front of the FAB or on Lehmann Way.

LISA FOOTE is the Archivist at the Dublin Historical Society.



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News from the Planning Board

2017 Master Plan is the topic of a public hearing on August 16.

BY BRUCE SIMPSON

The Planning Board has completed work on the new Master Plan and will hold a public hearing on August 16, 2018, at 7 pm at the Town Hall to discuss it. Unlike the more abbreviated Master Plan Update completed in 2007, this Plan includes the underlying data that the Board considered (along with the results of the Master Plan Survey) in drafting the new Plan. This includes information about Dublin and the surrounding region's people, land, and built environments, and includes numerous graphs, charts, and maps that help make the information more understandable.

The Population and Housing Chapter shows the population and housing trends in Dublin from 1790 until 2010, and the trends in the region from 1970 until 2010. It also looks at our population in terms of age distribution, population density per square mile, educational and income levels, and other factors. The housing section analyzes housing stock, age, type, and affordability,

and provides projections for future population growth and housing needs.

The Economic Activity Chapter analyzes business in Dublin, and employment of Dubliners inside and outside of town. It also addresses utilities, property valuation and tax rates in town, and the effects of zoning regulations on business uses in town. The Natural Resources Chapter looks at the wide variety of natural resources in Dublin, and their importance to us. The Transportation chapter addresses our transportation system and includes information on roads, traffic levels, accidents, bridges, and traffic calming. The Regional Context Chapter takes a look at Dublin's place in the region and at a number of issues of regional importance.

The Land Use Section provides guidance for planning over the next decade based on our consideration of numerous factors, including historical information, land analysis, anticipated growth, and community preferences. Our conclusion is that the people of Dublin want to preserve the town's natural resources and scenic beauty, its small-town charm, rural character, and its community spirit. In light of our current regulations, and the current economic and demographic trends in the

region, it is unlikely that major changes or stricter regulations are necessary for accomplishing this goal. Rather the Town should consider minor adjustments that would protect what we already have while enhancing the vitality of Dublin by allowing some residential and business growth to occur in a way that will not adversely impact what we value in Dublin.

The Plan closes with an implementation chapter setting out some of the specific actions the Town should consider and identifies the persons or boards who will perform the action, an indication of the timeframes involved, and source of any required funding. There is also an appendix with a collection of maps showing topography, wetlands, steep slopes, conservation land, aquifers, zoning districts, housing density, farmland soils, and transportation maps.

The Board members invite townspeople to review the draft plan, which is posted on the Town website (www.townofdublin.org) under "Planning or Other Documents," and we look forward to discussing the plan with the public at the hearing.

BRUCE SIMPSON has served as chair of the Planning Board since March of 2007.

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Joyce C. Nelson: 1936-2018

It is with much sadness that the family of Joyce Carolyn Nelson announces her passing on Friday, June 29, 2018. Joyce was born in Providence, Rhode Island, on December 6, 1936 to Dorothy and Edwin Bruckshaw. She was a twin to Joan Barker of Warwick, Rhode Island; and predeceased by brother Donald Bruckshaw of Wales. She was a co-founder of this local newsletter, *The Dublin Advocate*, in 1999.

Joyce Nelson touched many lives in her community and spent hours volunteering at Monadnock Community Hospital. She enjoyed her cats Ariel and Oliver, rescuing many pets from Humane Societies, preparing meals for friends and family, Dublin newsletter production, collecting oil paintings, dancing, and political campaigning.

During her younger married life years, Joyce lived with her family in a remote area of Vermont, on a small pastoral farm raising pigs, chickens, and cows. A former city girl, she gradually learned to love the rural life – later regaling listeners with stories from the farm. During her 70s, she traveled with tour groups to exotic places like China, Thailand, Mexico and Africa.



Photo courtesy of the family

Not typically adventurous, Joyce often told the tale of being rescued from the middle of a zip line, stranded over breathtaking elevations with panoramic views.

She is survived by daughter Julie Nelson and her husband Dave Eddy of Bethel, Vermont; daughter Joy O'Rourke and her husband Dan O'Rourke of Bozeman, Montana; and daughter Jennifer Nelson Arsenault and husband Blaise Arsenault of Bozeman, Montana. Joyce will be fondly remembered by her grandchildren Hilary O'Rourke, Daniel O'Rourke, Felix Arsenault, and Olive Arsenault.

Graveside visits can be made in the Dublin cemetery. At her request, a celebration of her life will be held privately for close friends and family.

Memorial donations to celebrate her love for the many Scott Farrar caregivers can be made to the Jennie Scott Legacy Fund at Scott Farrar, 11 Elm Street, Peterborough, NH 03458 or to honor her many hours of community service to Monadnock Community Hospital at 452 Old Street Road, Peterborough, NH 03458.

Frank Colon: 1966-2018



The children of the Dublin Community Church have begun painting their mural on the back of the horse sheds. The painting will be a part of the future Garden Sanctuary that the church has planned. Digging, and moving the rocks and earth around will be done by Chris Raymond of Eastern Slope Construction. The Sanctuary and labyrinth will be open to the public. If you wish to donate to this project, please make checks out to the DCC Memorial Fund – Garden Sanctuary, in memory of a loved one.

Painters and helpers (L-R): Nancy Cayford, Avelea and Nakoa Kalvaitis, Paul Simpson, and Surasa Kalvaitis.


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Walden School: 'Summer Resident' at Dublin School

BY RUSTY BASTEDO

Walden School came to Dublin in 1983, following a disastrous fire at their campus in Putney, Vermont. Dublin School's then headmaster, Michael Cornog, and his wife Mary, issued the invitation, and Walden has been a part of the Dublin School summer fabric (mid-June-early August) for the past 35 years. The longtime director of the Walden School program at Dublin is Seth Brenzel, himself a Walden School summer program participant for some years. Mr. Brenzel lives and performs with the San Francisco Symphony Chorus during the balance of the year.

The Walden School has a summer-time enrollment of approximately 45-50 students ages 8-18, and it has a five-week course of study (three weeks for students ages 9-11) that focuses on music composition. It is a requirement that students also practice and perform choral music, and that student "composers in residence" defend their works in post-performance question-and-answer sessions with faculty (many of whom are themselves music professionals), students, and the public.

In addition to a required course of study, Walden School students must take an elective course of study. Summer 2018 electives are Scoring for Films, Conducting, How to Create Electronic Sound, Musical Interpretations of late 19th century works of art ("Picture This"), Jazz History, and The Tango as a Work of Art.

During their Dublin School summer residence, Walden School students may use their laptops only for music notation – no social media or computer games – and they

are required to *write by hand* a letter home each week, a novelty for some!

Adults have an opportunity to participate in the Walden Experience through a one-week Creative Musicians Experience each June, or through attendance at musical events open to the public. Many of these musical events are co-sponsored with Dublin School; for other events performing musicians who "experienced" Walden School return to their alma mater for one or more public performances.

Many were in attendance at the recent Garden Club event in Dublin Village including this young man who won an Honorable Mention for his arrangement, at right. Below, Anne Conway, Donna Garner, and Nancy Cayford admire an exhibit designed with conservation in mind.

There will be a three-day Festival Week Composers Forum on July 30-August 1, with a culminating Choral Concert on August 3. All public performances will be at the newly expanded and renovated (including air conditioning) Louise Shonk Kelly Recital Hall. For information, please visit waldenschool.org.

RUSTY BASTEDO has been on the staff of the *Advocate* since its inception.

Ed. Note: Mr. Brenzel is the speaker at the Amos Fortune Forum, August 10, at 8 pm.





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New Times for Cobb Meadow Schoolchildren

BY ANNE BRANZELL-SPIEGLER

Cobb Meadow School is delighted to announce that it is opening with a new schedule this fall. We will offer a three-day and a four-day program. The four-day programs start on Mondays, the three-day programs start on Tuesdays.

Libby Had-dock, mentor to the school, will offer parent/child classes in the school she founded in 1992, on Mondays starting in the fall. Anne Branzell and Libby, two of the first members of The Cobb Meadow Puppeteers, will use Fridays for designing and then presenting puppet plays throughout the year.

Look for the schedule of community offerings and gatherings that grow from our Fridays of professional development.

ANNE BRANZELL-SPIEGLER is director of the Cobb Meadow School, a Waldorf preschool.



DCA Camps Develop Skills

BY JOANNA GUILLIAMS

Twenty-six campers from New York, Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire excitedly gathered on the Dublin Christian Academy campus for a week of Soccer and Fine Art Camps. The soccer campers learned a lot from Phillip Hubbard ('90) while enjoying the beautiful summer days. The afternoons held a change of pace as the 2nd-6th grade campers came to develop new soccer skills.

The Fine Arts Camp, Monadnock Christian Arts Academy, worked hard all

week on their adaptation of Shakespeare's "The Tempest," which was performed at the DCA campus on Saturday, July 14. The production was in full costume under the direction of Dr. Paul Radford ('92). As the week progressed, campers developed music, choral, and art skills in addition to acting skills.

The campers who participated in the camps were excited and eager to learn and all left with greater development of their skills.

JOANNA GUILLIAMS is the Administrative Assistant at Dublin Christian Academy.



Autism Services for Children

Crotched Mountain's *Ready, Set, Connect!* program has opened an autism clinic at the Greenfield campus. *Ready, Set, Connect!* provides ABA therapy for young children in a group setting, offering an environment of fun and learning and a path to a bright future! Locations also in Manchester and Concord, NH.



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Monadnock Rotary Club Speakers

The public is invited to hear speakers scheduled by the Monadnock Rotary Club during breakfast meetings at 7:30 am on Tuesdays, downstairs in the Church Hall at the Dublin Community Church.

On July 31, Burak Doluay and Chrisie Sea, two Cypriot leaders from the Friends Forever International-Cyprus project, will speak.

On August 7, Mark Fernald, a lawyer at Fernald, Taft, Falby & Little for almost 30 years, will cover "Hot topics in the 2018 NH State Senate." Mark graduated from ConVal, Amherst College, and Boston College Law School.

August 13 is a Monday and the Joint MRC and Peterborough Rotary Luncheon meeting is at Brantwood Camp, Peterborough.

On August 21, Roy Schlieben will present on "Fundraising ins & outs with



Jim Guy (center) is welcomed as Monadnock Rotary Club's new president by Dale Gabel (left, Assistant District Governor for Rotary District 7870) and Bill Gurney (right, past president of MRC).

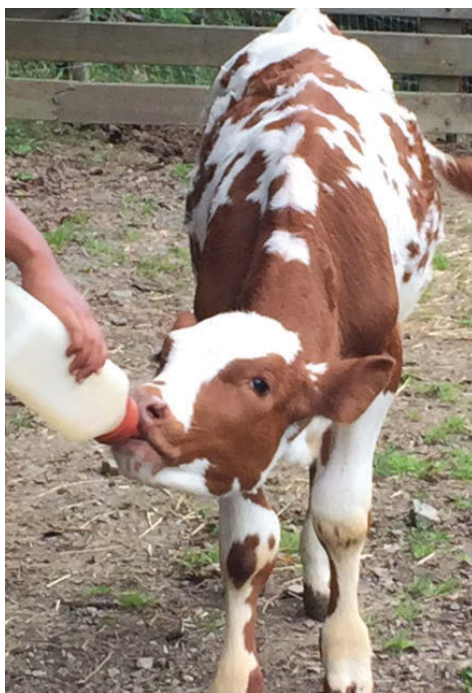
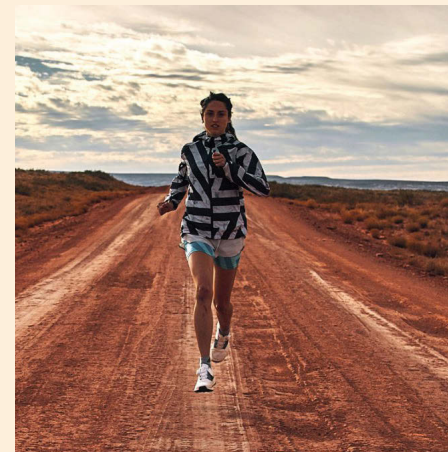
Photo by Ramona Branch

Not-for-Profits and the Peterborough Makerspace."

On August 28, Tammy and Shane Long will discuss the Rebirth of Aldworth Manor, in Harrisville, originally built in the early 1800s in Worcester, Mass.

The Monadnock Rotary Club is dedicated to community service, with a focus on youth development and health advocacy for people of all ages, locally and internationally. Come hear about the good we do and consider Rotary membership.

Abby Levene is an Ultramarathon Runner. Before she picked up Ultrarunning, Abby was a competitive swimmer and won the Women's Collegiate Triathlon National Championship. While Abby initially disliked running as a child, she was a natural and grew to love the sport. She competed on the cross-country and track and field teams in college at Princeton and in graduate school at the University of Colorado. Abby loved growing up in Dublin and recently designed a pollinator-themed coloring book featuring scenes around Dublin. You can hear an interview with her on LionHeart Radio, at youtube.com/watch?v=ZhWz233mn3Q.



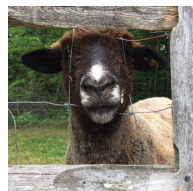
Llamas and Chickens and Goats, Oh My!

Traveling the ins and outs of The Friendly Farm.

These are just some of the many animals happily living at The Friendly Farm this summer. A few steps past the entrance gate and you'll see geese, rabbits, turkeys, and playful baby goats frolicking freely and eager to find someone with a bag of grain.

Head down the dirt path and make your way to the larger animals with personalities as big as their frames, who may greet you with a loud (and definitely friendly) "Baa" or "Moo." Here is where you and your children will find the sheep, ponies, pigs, cows, llamas, and a donkey.

Farmer Bruce Fox employs young people from Dublin and nearby towns to help with the many chores of raising these animals in a relaxed, clean, and very happy



environment. Their job is fun and as varied as the animals on the farm. There are the typical farm chores, making sure pastures and pens are clean and safe. The animals also need water and food throughout the day, and they

require some clever handling when it is time to get the farm all "locked up" for the night.

In addition to working with very cute baby animals, there is also important work to engage the farm's visitors of every age, offering a child the chance to bottle feed a goat or answering questions about the care of a llama. It's worth a trip at least once or twice a summer and while there is no guarantee, it is very likely that you will leave with a smile on your face.

August Events at the Hub

Calling All Local Businesses in Dublin: The Community Forum will be hosting a Local Business Fair at the DubHub in 2019 to highlight all the businesses in town. Please submit your contact information to info@dublincommunitycenter.org. The DubHub is located at 1123 Main Street in Dublin. Admission is free. For more information, email info@dublincommunitycenter.org or call 563-8080.

July 30 Concert

In cooperation with The Walden School, the DubHub is offering a Monday morning concert — July 30 at 11 am — of contemporary classical music featuring members of the Walden School Players, who are again in residence at Dublin School this summer. This concert will include works performed previously at Dublin School, but may include other selections. Music will include works by Marcos Balter, Composer-in-Residence. Admission is free.

Rec Committee's Nature Events

August 4: Hike to Dark Pond, 10 am: Meet at 91 Charcoal Road, bring a lunch, Tom Warren guide. Return time 1 pm. The next hike is up Monadnock on August 24 (see next page).

Coffee & Conversation

Stop in at the DubHub on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 9 to noon, for coffee or tea and a visit with neighbors. This is also an excellent opportunity to check out the paintings by Paula Guhse. The Hub remains open until 5 pm on Mondays and until 4 pm on Wednesdays.

DubHub August Cancellations

There will be no Dance Fitness with Deb (formerly called Zumba), Qi Jong, or Open Stage at the DubHub in August. All will resume after Labor Day Weekend.

Craft Night by MVBC

Craft Night is Tuesday, August 7, from 7 to 9 pm, and is open to everyone in the community. Bring any project to work on and enjoy some fellowship. Snacks and drink will be provided. If you have any questions, please email Liz Ogden at secretary@mtnviewbible.org.

Betsey Harris Discusses Transatlantic Sailing Trips

“Wind, Water, and the Night Watch,” is the topic of a presentation by Betsey Harris on Thursday, August 16, at 4:30 pm. In the hour-long talk and slide show, Betsey will discuss her three voyages across the Atlantic Ocean with her husband, John, and three friends, aboard



Betsey Harris holding a photograph of *Perelandra*, the 40-foot sailboat which she and her late husband sailed from Maine to the British Isles and Northern Europe. Betsey will speak at the Hub on August 16 at 4:30 pm.

their 40-foot sailboat *Perelandra*. She will talk about the planning, daily living, unforeseen challenges, and the joy of achievement.

Monadnock Ukulele Group

The Monadnock Ukulele Group, which meets on the third Friday from 7 to 9 pm, welcomes beginners and advanced uke players. A \$5 contribution to the DubHub is appreciated. Please email Nancy at

Paula Guhse, Painter

Paula Guhse, of Keene, the featured artist in August, paints landscapes, mountains, and trees of the New England region in a traditional style. Paula enjoys the peaceful comfort in the rustic and charming beauty of old barns. Be sure to check out her display during our open hours; however, there will be no opening reception this month.



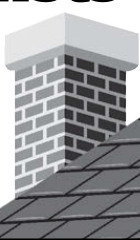
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Community Lunch/Nurse Is In

Join us for a home-cooked meal on Tuesday, August 21, at noon. We will serve butternut/leek soup and cream of broccoli soup with crusty bread, sweets, and drinks. Cost is \$3. Come enjoy conversation with your neighbors over a tasty meal!

During lunch, Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services (HCS) is offering the Nurse Is In wellness clinic. The nurse will check blood pressures and answer questions about home care or any health concerns. This screening is open to residents of all area towns and is free of charge; no appointment necessary.

Song Circle Gathers Monthly

The monthly Song Circle meets on Friday, August 24, from 7 to 9 pm. The group will be rehearsing songs for the annual DubHub Chicken BBQ the following day. Bruce Simpson leads this informal group. If you want to join the Song Circle at the BBQ, be sure to come to this last practice/jam session. It's very informal. Bring your own beverage. For more information, contact Bruce at bruce_simpson@msn.com.

Community Forum: Dublin's Night Sky

Bring a flashlight to reach the Observatory.

Dublin's Night Sky will be the topic of the August Community Forum to be held on Sunday, August 26, from 8 pm to 9 pm at the Dublin School Perkin Observatory.

Come to view the dazzling night sky through the Perkin Observatory telescope. Search the sky for constellations and learn their mythology. Hear about solar effects on Earth's weather.

Our presenters will be Eric Nemitz, Dublin School's Perkin Observatory Director; Henry Walters, Dublin School Faculty member; and staff from *The Old Farmer's Almanac*, including the publisher, Sherin Pierce, and the editor, Janice Stillman.

Parking will be on Lehmann Road below the Observatory. Please bring a flashlight to walk up to the Observatory. Members of the Forum Committee will meet you at the bottom of the hill and can shuttle anyone who may have difficulty climbing the driveway to the Observatory.

The rain/cloud date will be Monday, August 27, or Tuesday, August 28. Please check the calendar at www.dublincommunitycenter.org for information.



4th Annual Chicken BBQ

The Dublin Community Center is hosting its 4th annual Community Chicken Barbecue! Join us on Saturday, August 25, from 5 to 7 pm for delicious food, good cheer, and live music by the Monadnock Ukulele Group, the DubHub Song Circle, and the Walking Antiques. The menu includes chicken, corn, coleslaw, beans, cornbread, beverages, and dessert. Price

is \$10 for adults, \$6 for kids. To reserve your spot, call June at 563-8467 or Bruce at 563-8471.

Rec Committee's Nature Events

August 24: Hike Mount Monadnock, 9 am, from the Dublin Trail off Troy Road, picnic at the top of the mountain, and do bring lots of drinking water. Tom Warren will be our guide.

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Arts in the Region

The Monadnock Region is brimming with arts and cultural activities, especially in the summertime. All are once-in-a-lifetime opportunities.

August at the Players

BY FRED LEVENTHAL

The Peterborough Players presents its second annual Broadway musical, *The Drowsy Chaperone*, from August 1 to 12. Winner of five Tony Awards and cited as “the perfect Broadway musical” by *New York Magazine*, this spoof of the Jazz Age brings to life a fictitious 1928 musical that features two Broadway stars on the eve of their wedding, a desperate theater producer and his moll, two gangsters, a not-very-bright hostess, and an intoxicated chaperone in show-stopping song and dance numbers.



From August 15 to 26, Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw returns in a revival of his early and rarely performed *The Man of Destiny*. In this 1895 comedy, Napoleon, the historical figure, meets his match in a mysterious young woman who is determined to forestall his rise to power. Brimming with political trickery

and sexual intrigue, this production of *Man of Destiny* completes the Players' cycle of Shaw's four *Plays Pleasant*.

The Second Company will offer a musical adaptation of the popular children's book *Pippi Longstocking* on August 18 at 2 pm, 20 at 7 pm, 21 at 10:30 am, 24 and 25 at 2 pm. This story of the rambunctious girl with red pigtailed is filled with outrageous adventures, fending off burglars, wrestling a circus strongman, and sailing away on a pirate ship. It will appeal to families of all ages.



FRED LEVENTHAL is finishing 12 years as a Trustee of the Peterborough Players.

Amos Fortune Forum 72nd Season Summer Speakers

The Amos Fortune Forum invites residents and friends of the Monadnock Region to hear notable speakers present their ideas on issues of public interest and importance on Friday evenings in July and August, at 8 pm, at the historic Jaffrey Meeting House built in 1775.

August 3: Virginia Eskin will speak about “Cather, Beach, and MacDowell: Three Who Knew the Monadnock Area and Made Good on the National Stage.”

August 10: Seth Brenzel, director of the Walden School, will present on “Developing Youth through Music, Creativity, and Community.”

August 17: Steve Walker will discuss the “Future of Energy and How Our Region Can Lead the Transition to Decentralized Renewable Energy Production.”

The Amos Fortune Forum, which is free to the public, meets in the Jaffrey Meetinghouse at 38 Blackberry Lane, Jaffrey, NH 03452; <http://amosfortune.com/>.

Monadnock Summer Lyceum

The Monadnock Summer Lyceum presents world-class speakers on summer Sunday mornings in the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church. Speakers begin at 11 am. Music begins at 10:30 am. Presentations are free; donations welcome.

August 5: Seven Times Salt presents “Pilgrims’ Progress: Music of the Plimoth Colony Settlers 1590-1650.” The Boston-based early-music ensemble follow settlers from England to America with Elizabethan music performed on period instruments.

August 12: No Lyceum due to MacDowell Medal Day.

August 19: Robin Kimmerer presents “Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants.” A plant scientist, teacher, and writer explores the material and cultural significance of plants.

August 26: Kate Braestrup presents “Anchor and Flares: Stories of Motherhood, Hope, and Service.” The Unitarian Universalist Minister discusses loss, suffering, and hope of love.

Monadnock Summer Lyceum (www.monadnocklyceum.org) takes place at 25 Main St., Peterborough, NH 03458; 924-6245.

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Andy's is recognized for creating plays that encourage the community to think about the world in new ways. Performances take place nearly every week. Individual and subscription packages are available.

To learn more about their unique programming, go to andys-summerplayhouse.org or call 603-654-2613.

Monadnock Humane Society Partners with Gallery

Art for Animals Exhibit is a fundraiser for animals being cared for at the shelter.

Monadnock Humane Society (MHS) has partnered with the Gallery at the Offices at Depot Square and eight area artists to celebrate the visual world of animals with an exhibit called "Art for Animals." All eight artists are donating a portion of their sales during this show toward the care of the animals at MHS.

The exhibit will be on display through August 30 and will be open for public viewing Mondays through Fridays, 9 am through 5 pm, and on Saturdays, from 10 am to 4 pm.

A "First Friday" Reception of the Art for Animals Exhibit will be held August 3 from 5 to 7 pm. Some of the artists will be available to talk with guests about their animal inspirations. The exhibit is located in the Offices at Depot Square: take the door on the right of the Sharon Arts Center and come to the third floor (there is an elevator for accessibility).

A closing reception for the Art for Animals Exhibit will be held on Thursday, August 30, from 5 to 7 pm. Artists will be present to meet and greet the public. Admission is free, refreshments provided, everyone welcome (including well-behaved leashed pets).

CAROL LAUGHNER is Marketing Communications Manager at Monadnock Humane Society in Swanzey, NH, with offices in Depot Square, Peterborough.



Monadnock Folklore Society

The Monadnock Folklore Society (www.monadnockfolk.org) presents a special midweek concert on Thursday, August 2, at 7:30 pm at the Nelson Town Hall featuring the Gonzalo Bergara Trio playing acoustic gypsy jazz. Admission is \$15/\$12 (seniors, students, or in advance).

"The best thing that happened to Gypsy Jazz in the last 20 years," reads a review from the Django Reinhardt Festival, in Samois, France.



Music in Depot Park Each Friday

In Peterborough in the summertime, a free musical concert happens every Friday summer evening, from 6 to 7:30 pm, at the confluence of the Contoocook and Nubanusit Rivers (with a rain location at the Peterborough Unitarian Church, corner of Summer St., and Main St.). Bring your picnic, lawn chair, friends, and family, to enjoy open-air entertainment. On August 3, Dragonfly; on August 10 is the Chris Fritz Band; and on August 17 is Steve Pro & The Ticket. These celebrations are sponsored by Twelve Pine, CoWork Peterborough, Bellows-Nichols Insurance, Depot Square, and the GFA Credit Union.

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The River Center: Gardens & Haircuts

The River Center: A Family and Community Resource Center is plowing through summer with its Farm to Table cooking group for families on Thursday mornings from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at its location on Vose Farm Rd. We have had a blast picking berries and learning about honey bees. Our raised beds are thriving and we will be harvesting some earthy

goodies in no time. There is a suggested donation of \$5/family to cover supplies. Join us on Thursday mornings or just pop in if you'd like to see how our garden grows.

We are also gearing up for our Tidy Trims event on August 27 (9 am to 3 pm), which provides free haircuts for students from low- to moderate-income families.

Stylists from area salons will be on board to give school-age children a fresh cut for the new school year!

Call us for more information at 924-6800 or visit www.rivercenter.us/register.

The River Center provides community connections, parenting support, tax assistance, and money coaching to strengthen individuals and families in the Eastern Monadnock Region. We are located at 9 Vose Farm Rd., Suite 115, Peterborough.

Volunteer Drivers Welcome

CVTC'S Volunteer Drivers provide "no fee" transportation for people who live in the 34 towns of the Monadnock Region who do not have access to transportation because of limiting circumstances. Our trips include non-emergency medical and social services appointments as well as trips to the grocery store and pharmacy.

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The Virginia Rail

Mud Pond is a perfect habitat.

BY TOM WARREN

Many residents of Dublin and the Monadnock Region are familiar with the Virginia Reel from dances in Nelson and Peterborough, but few have observed the Virginia Rail, a secretive freshwater marsh bird, more commonly heard than seen at Mud Pond (next to Morning Star Maple) in Dublin.

The Virginia Rail has a reddish bill and legs, banded black and white flanks, and a short tail. Its long, decurved bill is used to locate invertebrates and small fish. It has evolved a body designed for a habitat of dense marsh grass that includes a laterally compressed body, flexible vertebrae, long toes, and modified feathers on its head to limit feather wear – as the bird makes its way through dense marsh grass seeking tidbits of food.

Rails prefer shallow water with plenty of mud (Mud Pond is a perfect habitat) with upright vegetation conducive to its main prey of invertebrates. In addition to slugs, snails, frogs, and small snakes it eats plants



and seeds of emergent plants. Virginia Rails have a keen sense of smell.

Best known for vocalizations that include loud grunting, ticker calls are most common. Two to three hours before dawn and dusk are best times to locate the Virginia Rail during breeding season. Pairs perform grunt duets.

Rails have the highest ratio of leg muscles to flight muscles of any bird which assists them in walking through marshy vegetation. It rarely flies except during migration.

Both sexes build the nest with a canopy in cattails and marsh vegetation; 8-10 eggs

are the normal clutch and young hatch in about 20 days. They leave the nest 3-4 days after hatching. By the seventh day, they are feeding on their own. Both sexes incubate the eggs and feed chicks after hatching. The chicks can leave the nest immediately and swim off, when a parent sounds a warning note.

Dummy nests are often built for use as alternate sites in case of flooding, destruction, or predation.

Visit Mud Pond at dusk to hear and possibly see the Virginia Rail. Five suggestions from Cornell's Lab of Ornithology will assist you in seeing this secretive bird:

- Look for them at dawn and dusk.
- Focus on good sight lines where a stream channel creates openings near boat launches.
- Observe mud flats next to cattails and bulrushes.
- Move like a rail, slowly and deliberately, looking for ripples in the water.

After the intense effort required to observe a Virginia Rail, the Virginia Reel will be a most enjoyable experience.

TOM WARREN is Dublin's ornithologist and tour guide for the Rec Committee's nature adventures.

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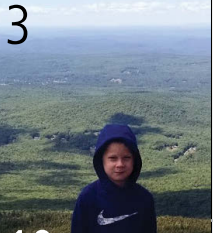




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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BOS Board of Selectmen DCA Dublin Christian Academy DCC Dublin Community Church DCS Dublin Consolidated School DPL Dublin Public Library	DS Dublin School DWC Dublin Women's Club HUB Dublin Community Center MRC Monadnock Rotary Club TH Town Hall	1 HUB Coffee 9-noon; Paula Gulse Show through the 31st; DPL Summer Reading program 10:15 am; Republicans Potluck 6 pm; DCC Two Hat Group 6:45 pm	2 	3 	4 REC Committee: Hike to Dark Pond 10 am-1 pm	11 TH Dublin's WWI Patriots Exhibit through 26th 10-1 pm; 10th Annual Power of the Red IH Show, Cricket Hill Farm
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19 DPD 2nd Annual Community BBQ 11-2 pm, Yankee lot; DHS Annual Meeting 4 pm at Dublin School	20 HUB Coffee 9-noon; TH BOS 4 pm; WWI Patriots Exhibit 4-7 pm	21 DCC MRC 7:30 am; HUB Community Lunch 12-1 pm; Nurse Is In 12-1 pm; DPL HillTop Group 6:45 pm	22 HUB Coffee 9-noon; DPL StoryTime 10:15 am; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	23 TH ZBA 7 pm	24 HUB Song Circle 7-9 pm; REC Committee Hike Mt. Monadnock from Dublin Trail 9 am	25 DPL Children's Puppet Show 10 am; HUB Chicken BBQ 5-7 pm
26 HUB BDS Forum "Night Sky" 8-9 pm	27 HUB Coffee 9-noon; TH BOS 4 pm; River Center "Tidy Trims" 9-3 pm	28 DCC MRC 7:30 am; DPL HillTop Group 6:45 pm	29 HUB Coffee 9-noon; DPL StoryTime 10:15 am; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	30 First Day of School in ConVal School District	31	

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