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Meeting for Howe Reservoir Drawdown

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Dam Bureau has announced that starting on April 20, 2022, the process of lowering Howe Reservoir in Dublin and Harrisville will begin in order to facilitate work on the upstream side of Howe Reservoir Dam.

Depending on weather, the drawdown will likely take approximately two weeks and will drain the majority of the impoundment.

In the fall of 2020, an inspection of the dam revealed significant concrete deterioration on the upstream Reservoir. The drawdown will allow access to complete the necessary repairs on the dam. It is likely that Howe Reservoir will remain



in a drained condition for the duration of the summer.

Upon completion of the repairs, Howe Reservoir will be refilled to the

COREY CLARK will be attending the Town of Dublin Select Board meeting on April 4, at 4:30 pm via Zoom to discuss the Howe Reservoir project and to answer any questions. A link will be posted on the town website closer to the meeting date.

normal operating level. For more information, please contact Corey Clark, NHDES Dam Bureau at corey.j.clark@des.nh.gov or call 603-271-8871.

SUBMITTED BY Kate Fuller (townadministrator@townofdublin.org), Town of Dublin (www.townofdublin.org). She can be reached at 603-563-8544.

Climate Change in New England

NH has warmed twice as much as the rest of the contiguous 48 states.

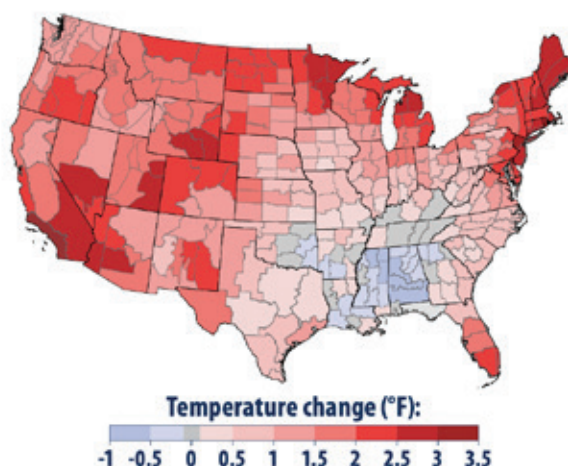
BY KATIE FEATHERSTON

If you thought the winter of 2021-2022 was a bit fickle in its temperature fluctuations, you would be right about that! In the 28 days of February we saw 14 days below the average and 14 days above (by quite a bit, 64 degrees on 2/23). So much so that overall, February was 3.5 degrees above normal. That followed December, which was 3.2 degrees above normal, and January, 3.8 degrees below normal.

WMUR reported that overall, meteorological winter (the months of December, January and February) was 2.5 degrees above average. Of course, the snapshot of one winter is not evidence of global climate change. For that we need to look at a much bigger picture.

In December the *Boston Globe* reported on a climate study published

in the journal *Climate* in which researchers analyzed temperature data over more than a century in six New England states and found it to be warming significantly faster



SOURCE: EPA, Climate Change Indicators in the United States. EPA document 430-F-16-031, August 2016: What Climate Change Means for New Hampshire

than the global average. This is particularly bad news to skiers and winter lovers – or really anyone who values New Hampshire's four seasons.

In the coming decades we can expect disruptions to the fishing industry (lobster and cod), fewer ski days, less maple syrup production, fewer frozen rivers and lakes, and earlier blooming of fruit trees, making them susceptible to frost.

On average, New England saw 6.2 fewer days with snow cover between 2001 and 2017, contributing to warming temperatures since snow reflects light while brown earth absorbs it. Then there is the Gulf of Maine, one of the fastest warming bodies of water on earth.

Climate change also has a significant impact on the movement of invasive plants and insects. The Conservation Commission has provided information and

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Dublin Public Library

BY RACHAEL LOVETT

There are so many ways to celebrate April with a book! We'll have displays up, and for story times we'll be reading about Spring, Easter, April Fool's Day, Earth Day, World Health Day, and Tax Day. And, of course, National Library week is April 3-9 this year.

We have started gearing up for Spring and Summer programming, so be on the lookout for more offerings for all ages. Starting April 9 at 10 am, local resident Dave DeWitt will provide a hands-on 3D design and printing program for adults. This will be an in-person class, where participants are able to design and create actual items via the 3D printer. Dave will assist and train in the art of 3D designing, and he will use his own printers to create your designs! Please register in advance for this program: visit www.dublinnhpubliclibrary.org, or call 603-563-8658. This will be an ongoing program, every other week, and we'll ask for registration for each class as we are limiting the participants to five.

On April 16 we have two programs happening. At 10 am, Archeology Professor (and Dubliner) Bob Goodby will be joining us to present "12,000 Years Ago in the Granite State." He'll speak about the remarkable story of Native Americans in the Monadnock Region and one of the oldest Native American sites in New England, located right in Keene. This is an in-person program, with the potential for a hybrid Zoom option. Please join us!

Our second program on April 16 at 1 pm is our annual Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages. We'll hide candy-filled Easter eggs throughout the library. The Library will close for circulation at 1 pm, and staff will prepare the building for the hunt. The event is indoors; we'll meet downstairs in the Program Room to start and gear up. Be sure to bring your own baskets! We'll have some light refreshments as well and a take-home Easter craft and goodies for the children. In conjunction with the Easter Egg Hunt, we will also offer an outdoor Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt. Come anytime for the Scavenger Hunt; it will be up and available all hours.

April 30 brings genealogy to the Library! Erin Moulton, local author and genealogist, will be at the Library from 10 am to 11 am to teach us more about *Ancestry.com*. She'll guide us through the tricky parts of the software and teach us how to navigate the *Ancestry* database. Please register for this event. We advise bringing your personal laptop as you can sign-in and work searches

with Erin at the helm. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Dublin Public Library, and will be held downstairs in the Program Room. There is potential for a hybrid Zoom meeting as well, so stay tuned! Register at www.dublinnhpubliclibrary.org, or call 603-563-8658.

Happy Spring!

And don't forget to sign-up for our monthly emailed newsletter: <https://bit.ly/DPLnews>

RACHAEL LOVETT is the Director of the DPL.



Salamander Crossing Brigades

As the earth thaws and spring rains drench New Hampshire, thousands of amphibians migrate to vernal pools to breed. Sadly, many are killed when their journeys take them across roads.

Every year, the Harris Center trains community scientists to serve on Salamander Crossing Brigades at amphibian road crossings throughout the Monadnock Region. These heroic volunteers move migrating amphibians across roads by hand during one or more "Big Nights" each spring, keeping count as they go.

To join their ranks – or simply to learn more about the remarkable spring amphibian migration – visit harriscenter.org/salamander-crossing-brigades.

If you'd like to head out in search of salamanders on rainy nights, be sure to read the FAQ and watch the training videos on the Volunteer Materials page, especially the one called Staying Safe on Big Nights.

Special thanks to Brett Amy Thelen of the Harris Center for this information.

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TOWN OF DUBLIN HELP WANTED: Cemetery Worker

The Town of Dublin is seeking candidates for the part time, seasonal position of Cemetery Worker. This position works under the supervision of the Cemetery Superintendent. Duties include, but are not limited to daily grounds-keeping and maintenance of the Cemetery grounds. On occasion workers may be required to assist funeral directors and vault installers with their work. Some heavy lifting is required, mechanical skills a plus. This position is part time mid-April until the end of November. Approximately 15 hours per week, \$15 per hour.

Please send resume to Kate Fuller, Town Administrator, PO Box 277, Dublin, NH 03444 or email to townadministrator@townofdublin.org.



Dublin's 2022 Town Meeting Decisions

1. The candidates for new Town Office officers in Article 1 were decided by vote March 8: Selectman, Moderator, Supervisor of the Checklist, Library Trustee (2), Budget Committee (2), Cemetery Trustee, Planning Board (2), and Trustee of Trust Funds.

2,3. Voters passed on that same day two amendments from the Planning Board; the first eliminates nonconforming (or "grandfathered") uses of property if the property owner(s) abandoned any such use for over a year. Subsequent uses would then have to comply with current zoning provisions. The second amendment passed by voters increases the allowed size of temporary signs, but limits the amount of time they can remain up.

On Saturday, March 12, Dublin voters met at 9 am at the Dublin Consolidated School to decide on the following warrant items.

4. Voters passed the Budget Committee's recommended sum of \$2,327,194 for general municipal operations, which did not include appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately. [Those brought the total to \$3,060,885.]

5. It was agreed to contribute \$335,000 to the Town Capital Reserve Funds, previously established, including \$50,000 to come from the unassigned fund balance: Heavy Highway Equipment (\$30,000), Police Cruiser (\$15,000), Fire Equipment (\$30,000), Road Construction (\$200,000), Library Major Repair and Maintenance (\$10,000), Town Buildings Maintenance (\$50,000).

6. \$185,000 was approved to chip seal Town roads, to come from the unassigned fund balance (non-lapsing until completion).

7. \$120,000 was approved to add an Office and Breakroom to the Highway

Barn, and furthermore, to withdraw same from the Town Building Maintenance Capital Reserve for this purpose (also non-lapsing until completion).

8. \$45,000 was approved for a new Police Cruiser, to withdraw \$30,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund with the remaining \$15,000 to be raised through taxation.

9. \$5,000 was approved for purchasing a new Leaf Vacuum for the Cemetery.

10. \$10,000 will be contributed to the Accrual Expendable Trust for the purpose of funding vacation pay accrued by employees when they leave the employ of the Town.

11. \$3,600 will fund *The Dublin Advocate* for another year.

12. \$8,781 will be contributed to the 12 agencies that provide advisory, health and welfare services and whose programs have a public purpose.

13. \$5,000 will support the mission of the Dublin Community Center.

14. \$13,760 will be contributed to various Expendable Trust Funds, previously established, as follows: Revaluation, Master Plan, and Town Buildings Repair.

15. \$2,550 will be received from the sale of cemetery lots to add to the Cemetery Trust Fund, with same to come from the unassigned fund balance.

16. Exemptions for the elderly exemptions per RSA 72:39-a and RSA 72:27 passed. (See breakdown and qualifications in last month's *Advocate*).

17. We heard the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees.

Ed note: Let us not forget that it was just last year, in Town Meeting, that voters turned down (yea 20, nay 118) Senate Bill 2 (RSA 40:13), enabling our town to continue these in-person deliberative town meetings.

Newly elected officials take their oaths of office following Town Meeting.

Our New Town Officers

Selectman Chris Raymond (3 years)

Town Moderator Sterling Abram (2 years)

Supervisor of the Checklist Kyle Wilcox (6 years)

Library Trustees Elizabeth Haire (3 years) and Maureen J. Hulslander (3 years)

Water Commissioner Arthur Sussman (3 years)

Budget Committee Sturdy Thomas (3 years) and Susanne Vogel (3 years)

Cemetery Trustee Christine Sangermano (3 years)

Planning Board Kirsten Colantino (3 years) and Donna Garner (3 years)

Trustee of Trust Funds Thomas Warren (3 years)

Representative to the ConVal School Board Alan Edelkind (3 years)

SUBMITTED BY Jeannine R. Dunne, Certified Tax Collector and Certified Town Clerk, PO Box 62, Dublin, NH 03444; 603-563-8859; fax 603-563-9221; townclerk@townofdublin.org.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



Select Board Chair Chris Raymond presents the Citizen of the Year award posthumously to Tim Clark; it was accepted by May Clark.

Thank You to Poll Workers

BY JUDY KNAPP

The Dublin Moderator, the Town Clerk, the Supervisors of the Checklist, the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator all worked to make the town election as COVID-safe as possible. In the end, however, it was successful as a result of the Dubliners who volunteered to work on March 8.

Just two years ago, we had our last “normal” election and Town Meeting: no one wore a mask, we didn’t social distance, there weren’t sneeze guards in front of the ballot clerks, our ballot clerks worked 6-hour shifts, we all shook hands with our neighbors and friends, we voted in curtained booths and shared the same pencil that other voters had used.

Since then, we all masked, used hand sanitizer, social distanced, received our own pencil, voted in newly disinfected booths, and entered and exited from different directions so we didn’t cross paths with other voters.

Most memorably, the 2021 Town Meeting was not in the gym of the Dublin Consolidated School on the second Saturday in March, but outside in a brisk wind at Cricket Hill Farm on the first Saturday in May. This year masks were encouraged at the election, and our Town Meeting was back at DCS on the second Saturday in March. As the adage goes, “What a difference a year makes.”

We all owe these individuals our thanks for making this a COVID-safe and efficient election for the people of Dublin: June Brening, Nancy Campbell, Peter Ceroni, May Clark, Pam Cox, Laura Elcoate,

Bill Gurney, Peter Kenyon, Jesse Marcum, Carole Monroe, Sharon Murray, Elaine Sanford, Christine (Kiki) Sangermano, Lucy Shonk, Celeste Snitko, Tim Suokko, K Vanderbilt, Susie Vogel and Kyle Wilcox.

Special thanks to Hank Campbell, Pam Cox, Walter Snitko and Kyle Wilcox for assisting us with counting the votes at the Town Meeting.

Finally, kudos to Sterling Abram, who stepped in as Interim Moderator following the death of our long-time Moderator, Tim Clark. Sterling has spent hours since his appointment in December reading the elec-

tion laws, the election procedure manual, and watching hours of webinars – all so that the March election and Town Meeting would run smoothly and in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations that govern New Hampshire elections and town meetings. It has been a pleasure and honor for the Supervisors of the Checklist to have worked with him at the town election and meeting.

When you see any of these people around town, please be sure to thank them for all they did on March 8.

JUDY KNAPP, Sarah Sangermano, Megan Suokko are the Supervisors of the Checklist.

A Celebration of Tim Clark's Life

Tim's family invites you to a memorial service for Tim on Saturday, April 9, at 2 pm at the Dublin Community Church, followed by a reception at the Dublin Community Center. Indoor seating will be limited at both the church and the community center, but there will be additional seating outdoors and in the church hall. The service and reception will be streamed through Zoom. Masks will be required in both buildings. To promote a safe and healthy environment for all our family and guests, we ask that individuals who are not fully vaccinated and boosted (if eligible), please join remotely over Zoom.



Summer Playground is Coming: Counselors Needed!

Come and have a fun summer working and playing with the kids of Dublin as a Summer Playground Counselor. These positions runs for six weeks of the summer from the end of June to the beginning of August.

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Climate Change in NE

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action on invasive plants for a number of years now. In future articles we will discuss the unwelcome plants and insects that are already here, and those that will be coming.

SUBMITTED BY Katie Featherston on behalf of the Dublin Conservation Commission. The other members of the ConComm are Jay Schechter, Felicity Poole, Jerry Branch, Maria Finnegan, and Wendy White.

Invest In Our Planet

This is the moment to change it all – the business climate, the political climate, and how we take action on climate. Now is the time for the unstoppable courage to preserve and protect our health, our families, and our livelihoods. Visit www.earthday.org/ to find out how.

For Earth Day 2022, we need to act (boldly), innovate (broadly), and implement (equitably). It's going to take all of us. All in. Businesses, governments, and citizens – everyone accounted for, and everyone accountable. A partnership for the planet.

Monadnock Conservancy

A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World
Book Discussion: "Saving Us"

Tuesday, April 19, 5 to 6 pm, via Zoom

"The most important thing you can do to fight climate change: talk about it," says author Katharine Hayhoe. Join us for a free virtual book discussion about her national bestseller *Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World*.

Hayhoe is considered "one of the nation's most effective communicators on climate change" and the book promises to inspire. Copies of the book can be found at the Toadstool Bookshops in Keene and Peterborough, or ask at your local library. In an effort to keep the group size small so everyone can participate in the conversation, please register in advance by emailing Lindsay@MonadnockConservancy.org. A reminder and Zoom link will be emailed before the event. Monadnock Conservancy, 15 Eagle Court 2nd Floor, PO Box 337, Keene, NH 03431-0337; 603-357-0600.



DCF Accepting Scholarship Applications

BY MAY CLARK

Dublin Community Foundation welcomes scholarship applications from 2022 graduating seniors who are residents of Dublin.

Students who plan to continue their studies at a college, university, technical, or business school may apply for a limited number of scholarships.

The deadline for completed applications is May 15, 2022. Notification of awards will be made by June 15. Applications are available from school counselors at ConVal High School, Dublin Christian Academy,

Dublin School, and Fairwood Bible Institute. ConVal students may submit ConVal's Scholarship Common Application form if preferred. DCF also welcomes applications from Dublin students who have been home-schooled. Those students may email us at dublincommunityfoundation@gmail.com to request an application.

Completed applications can either be mailed to DCF at PO Box 1036, Dublin, NH 03444, or emailed to us at dublincommunityfoundation@gmail.com.

MAY CLARK is the president of the DCF. Jane Keough, Holly Macy, Tom Warren, and Kimberly Marcum are the other members of the board.

DTTF Offers Scholarships

The Trustees of the Trust Funds offers scholarships from two trusts to Dublin residents who are continuing their education beyond secondary school. These scholarships are the result of the Sprague and Appleton Funds.

Places like Dublin can thrive when, daily,

people care about and engage with their community. Therefore, civic engagement, as well as academic merit and financial need, are the criteria the Scholarship Committee will use to determine the 2022 recipients.

Applications are available at local schools (Dublin School, Dublin Christian Academy, ConVal High School) as well as at the Town Hall. Applicants should submit a current transcript, the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from the most recent FAFSA form, two current recommendations, and a statement (500 words or fewer) addressing past, present, or future engagement in civic life.

All materials must be typed and received by May 2, 2022. Please mail all materials to The Trustees of the Trust Funds, c/o Judy Knapp, PO Box 331, Dublin, NH 03444. Winners will be announced after May 22, 2022.

Email questions to Judy Knapp at judyknapp@myfairpoint.net. Lucy Shonk and Brie Morrissey are also members of the Scholarship Committee.

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New Pavilion at DCS

It is with great excitement that I share that the outdoor pavilion at DCS is complete! I am so appreciative of all the support that enabled this structure to be constructed. Many thanks to the Bitty Foundation and the Dublin Community Foundation, as well as Greg Pease for their contributions! As we embrace the mask-optional status in our school, as well as the onset of warmer weather, it will be wonderful to have this learning space that can be used by all classrooms.

It was thrilling to welcome Ashuelot Concerts to DCS to present Live Chamber Music for the whole student body. Music Teacher Hannah Petrick coordinated this visit, and it was a wonderful experience for our students! It was such a joy to be able to welcome visitors into our building.

We are in the midst of closely examining student data to analyze growth. This is exciting as it gives us an opportunity to reflect upon our classroom instruction and to adjust for students' needs. Teachers revisit their instructional groups to meet the teaching focus needed to continue to



move students toward end-of-year goals. A great deal of learning occurs in March and April since there are minimal interruptions. However, there will be adjustments to the instructional day during the week before April vacation because New Hampshire Dance Institute will be coming into school during the Residency Week. This is an event we have been looking forward to for two years!

Thanks again to DCF for their support of this amazing opportunity for our students. We are so thankful for the support we receive from our community.

Kindergarteners are wanted. If you know of a child who will be five years old before September 30th, please have their parents contact our school (563-8332).

NICOLE PEASE, M.Ed., is Principal at DCS (603-563-8332) and HES (603-525-3303).

Congratulations to All 2022 College Graduates

The May issue of the *Advocate* focuses on your graduations from technical school or college. Share with your neighbors where you will graduate from, plans if you wish, and a photo of your face. Please send all your material to DublinAdvocate@gmail.com by April 15.



Only a Few Clothing Items Needed

Hundred Nights shelter in Keene thanks everyone who donates so generously. There is a donation bin at the west-side entrance of the Dublin Community Church, or you can call the shelter at 603-352-5197 to arrange a drop-off there.

Right now, only the following items are needed: warm socks (high rise preferred, not cotton), sneakers and waterproof boots, bras (new or used), women's panties and men's boxers (new, all sizes) and men's jeans (especially 30 – 38 waist and 30 – 36 length). Thank you!





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Message from your ConVal School Board Representative

BY ALAN EDELKIND

I want to offer sincere thanks to the residents of Dublin for electing me to a new three-year term as your ConVal School Board Representative. It is an honor to represent our town and children.

The Budget. Last month's article gave a good amount of detail on the budget, the warrant articles, and the fund balances. It was written prior to voting by the towns in the ConVal School District. In that article I noted the "base" budget is \$53,766,080, a \$364,996/ 0.7% decrease from the current year budget. This did not include warrant articles. All warrant articles recommended by the School Board passed. The result for all three "raise and appropriate" articles is a new gross budget that will be \$56,388,036, a \$2,256,960 (4.17%) increase from the current year budget.

The change to the District Assessment has not been approved at the time of this writing.

There are four other warrant articles that do not affect the budget and were voted in the affirmative. They total \$900,000 collectively. The money for these warrant articles reduces the returned fund balance as they use previously collected funds.

DCS 5th Grade. In October 2019, I put forth a motion that would allow Dublin to continue 5th grade based on certain conditions. The motion as passed is below:

1. The incoming Kindergarten class at DCS (2020-2021 term) will be the last class that will have the availability of 5th grade at DCS. 5th grade shall be provided until the 2025/2026 school year unless a change of the Articles of Agreement changes the

organizational structure of District elementary schools.

2. If, in any school year, there are less than four students that remain for 5th grade, 5th grade at DCS will not be utilized.

3. If 5th grade at DCS is not utilized for three consecutive years due to lack of student population (see 2 above) then the availability of 5th grade at DCS shall be rescinded.

This year there are less than four children whose parents/guardians have elected to have them remain at DCS. So, there will be no 5th grade at DCS for the upcoming

school year. All Dublin 5th graders will go to SMS.

Communications. I like to communicate! I sincerely thank the folks at *The Dublin Advocate* for giving me the opportunity, every month, to write an article. I would also like to have Dublin folks know that I host a Facebook group "Dublin/ConVal" that allows for immediate communication and a two-way dialog. All Dublin residents or folks who have children at DCS are welcome to join.

ALAN EDELKIND begins his new term as our School Board Representative.

Ready, Set, Grow!

Yankee Publishing's *Old Farmer's Almanac* has a new planting guide for flower gardeners of every level. The *Flower Gardener's Handbook* includes plant descriptions, recommended varieties, growing advice, soil secrets, water and timesaving tips, pest and disease control ideas, cleanup strategies, and observations from *Almanac* readers.

The full-color, 224-page *Flower Gardener's Handbook* is available now from your favorite book source.



TOWN OF DUBLIN, NH Weight Restriction on Town Roads

Effective March 8 to May 15, 2022.

In accordance with RSA 231:191, the Select Board on advice from the Road Agent establishes the maximum seasonal weight limit of 6 tons effective March 8, 2021, for all Town of Dublin roads to prevent unreasonable damage.

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Dublin School Wins Three NEPSAC Championships This Winter

Dublin School takes great pride in the performance and competitiveness of its athletic programs. All of its coaches and student athletes work diligently to fulfill both team and personal goals in pursuit of excellence through sport. This winter, the Dublin School Girls' Basketball Team, and Boys' and Girls' Alpine Ski Teams ALL won New England Preparatory School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) Championship titles.

This March was a historic moment for the Dublin School Girls' Basketball team when they won their first New England

Preparatory School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) Class D tournament after defeating Hyde School of Bath, Maine. The girls were coached by Mike Kelly and Lanessa Davis P'18.

"What I loved about this team was their spirit of generosity and support for one another throughout the entire season. They exceeded Coach Kelley's and my expectations of always playing hard and lifting one another up," said Coach Davis.

A longtime leader in Prep School skiing, the Dublin School Boys' and Girls' Alpine Ski teams finished in first place in New

England, winning the NEPSAC Class C Tournament. Both teams have won NEPSAC before, but this was the first time both teams won in the same year.

"Our top skiers are among the best in the region, but it was because of the whole team's effort that Dublin won the NEPSAC championship," explained Dublin's Alpine Director, Sandy Eneguess, a former professional ski racer, and level 500 USSA ski coach. Sandy coaches the Dublin teams along with Dylan Pierpont and Wendy Thorpe Allen, who also coaches at Keene High.



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DCA Students Shine at New England Regional Competition

BY BETHANY PACQUIN

For the first time since 2019, Dublin Christian Academy students had the opportunity to compete in front of a live audience at the annual competition of the New England Association of Christian Schools (NEACS) on Friday, March 4. Following two years of virtual competitions, NEACS hosted the in-person event in Concord, NH.

DCA junior high and high school students earned first-place awards in Bible teaching, vocal solo, vocal ensemble, acting, dramatic interpretation, humorous interpretation, interpretation of poetry, interpretation of Scripture, original persuasive oratory, readers theater, creative writing, art (mixed media and polychromatic drawing), Spanish, and History/Geography as well as many second and third place awards.

BETHANY (PERAGALLO) Paquin (bpaquin@dublinchristian.org) is Director of Development at Dublin Christian Academy (dublinchristian.org), 106 Page Rd., Dublin, NH. She can be reached at 603-563-8505 ext.140.



DCA students successfully compete at NEACS.

John Sewall 1936-2022

A graveside service, with full military honors, will be held on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 11 am at the Dublin Town Cemetery, Dublin, NH.

SOURCE: www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/ledgertranscript/name/john-sewall-obituary?id=33332614

An American Songbook

On both April 9 and 10 at 4 pm, singer Jazimina MacNeil and pianist Gordon Peery team up at the marvelous Aldworth Manor in Harrisville, NH, for a concert of songs from the American Songbook. Beloved jazz standards and show tunes from the early to mid-1900s represent a golden age of melody, and continue to be interpreted by a wide range of contemporary singers. Limit of 50 people for each show. There will be two shows, each with a dinner option after the performance.

For tickets and details about such Electric Earth Concerts, check out www.electricearthconcerts.org, or call Joan Epro, General Manager, Electric Earth Concerts at 603-499-6216 or send mail to PO Box 44, Peterborough, NH 03458.



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April 2022 Events at the DubHub

DubHub Covid Protocol Updated: Face masks are now optional at the Dublin Community Center, but recommended for those not up-to-date on vaccinations. Social-distancing occupancy has increased to 56 in the South Room and 37 in the North Room. We recommend use of the air filter and to open windows when possible.

Coffee and Conversation

Coffee and Conversation sessions continue indoors at the Hub on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10 to noon. If COVID conditions worsen, we will move back to Zoom or meet in the Garden Sanctuary behind Dublin Community Church. Check the HubHub newsletter or email info@dublincommunitycenter.org for info.

Knit with Nancy on Fridays

Knit with Nancy continues via Zoom every Friday at 10am. Contact Nancy Cayford at npcayford@myfairpoint.net for an invitation.

Qigong on Wednesdays

Qigong, the ancient Chinese practice of centering, meets at the DubHub on Wednesdays, from noon to 1 pm. For more information contact Ginette Groome at 603-313-9828.

Song Circle

Song Circle will resume at the DubHub on Sunday, April 3, from 3 to 5 pm. Instrumentalists, singers and audience members are invited to attend. Bring extra copies of songs you wish to share or jam with others. All styles of music are welcome with the bulk of genres being folk, pop, blues, acoustic rock, jazz, show tunes and Celtic. For more information contact host Bruce Simpson at bruce_simpson@msn.com.



James and Maria Finnegan and Volkert Volkorsz show their support for Ukraine.

Spring Cleaning Herbal Teas

On Tuesday, April 12, at 7 pm, Katherine Gekas will be making teas that help our bodies to clear out the winter "gunk." Each participant will go home with a handout that includes herb information and resources for learning more, and small samples of a bark and root tea and a leaf and flower tea that will help you transition into Spring. For information email her at katherinegekas2@gmail.com.



Take-Out Community Lunch

The next free Take-Out Community Lunch will be on Thursday, April 21, from noon to 1 pm. Drive by the entrance of the DubHub to pick up your meal, or park and come to the main entrance. The menu will be mac & cheese, salad, and Easter surprise dessert.

Songwriters Group

The DubHub Songwriters Group meets at 7 pm on Monday, April 25. This group is open to both new and veteran songwriters. Email host Volkert Volkorsz at info@dublincommunitycenter.org.

Neighbor to Neighbor Zoom Chat

Neighbor to Neighbor is a Zoom-based series being sponsored by the DubHub during the colder months. Each month we host a conversation between two long-time Dublin residents and two newcomers. This hour-long visit is planned for 7 pm on Thursday, April 28.

Open Stage

The next DubHub Open Stage will be at 7 pm on Friday, April 29. Anyone wishing to participate or attend may email info@dublincommunitycenter.org.

Connect with the DubHub

New members of the Dublin community are invited to sign up for the weekly *HubHub* from the DubHub newsletter at <http://eepurl.com/bLCNTz>.

VOLKERT VOLKORSZ is Program Coordinator at the Dublin Community Center - aka The DubHub, Call 603-563-8080 or visit dublincommunitycenter.org.

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Meet Chris Gunner and Bess Haire

BY JULIE RIZZO

Chris Gunner and Bess Haire moved to Dublin in October 2020, eager to get involved and explore their new community despite the pandemic. With Covid restrictions lifting and the snow melting, Bess has just been elected as a Trustee of Dublin Public Library, and Chris, a recently retired engineering executive, enjoyed Paul Tuller's classes in Japanese woodworking at the MAXT Makerspace.

Bess and Chris are both originally from England. Chris was raised in Hampton in southwest London, and got his interest in woodworking from his father. He earned his PhD from University of Westminster in Biochemical Engineering. Bess grew up in Peterborough, England, and studied English and Drama at Leeds University, earning her Ed.M. in Reading Education at Boston University. When they emigrated to the US for Chris' job at Digital Equipment Company in 1992, they thought it would be for two years. Instead, they stayed and raised their three (now adult) children in Harvard, MA.

They soon discovered the area around Dublin. Unfamiliar with American Thanksgiving, Chris and Bess developed their own tradition for their young family – an annual hike up Mt. Monadnock with egg salad sandwiches! They made their way up and down the mountain, following



different routes each year. Bess became a regular on the Art Tour thanks to a potter friend involved with Sharon Arts, and over the years felt a growing connection to the area after meeting many local artists.

Chris thrived as an entrepreneur in the tech industry, successfully bringing a packet-switching start-up public. Bess found her calling as an educator and community volunteer, conducting reading, writing and discussion groups in the local prison, and orchestrating a circus at the local elementary school.

Upon retirement, they were looking for another small community “with one store and a post office.” Chris dreamed of a piece of land, a view of Mt. Monadnock, and a house with lots of light. Bess, a keen recycled

materials artist, loves working with fiber, clay, and wire, and was looking forward to joining the vibrant local arts community. They found it all on Goldmine Road.

Their new home is a gardener's paradise. The mature, four-season horticulturist's garden was established by previous owners Mary Liz and Jack Lewis, and includes an English walled garden, and alpine, woodland and herbaceous beds. “It's a big responsibility,” says Bess. “We think of ourselves as stewards – we're simplifying, while doing our best to honor and protect the New England vista.” They both feel excited and extremely fortunate to be part of the Dublin community.

JULIE RIZZO is on the staff of the *Advocate*.

New School to Open in September

The Lionheart Classical Academy, located in Peterborough, is scheduled to open in September 2022. This tuition-free, chartered public school is a licensee of Hillsdale College, a conservative Christian institution in Michigan (hillsdale.edu). According to a press release, the Lionheart Classical Academy recently received a three-year grant for up to \$1.5 million to reimburse expenses incurred for operations. On March 5, the Academy conducted a student enrollment lottery to determine the 148 students in grades K–5 for the 2022-2023 academic year.

Their website says the Academy will offer a “content-rich liberal arts education that supports academic achievement, virtuous living, and responsible citizenship.”

Leo Plante of Dublin serves on the Board of Directors of the Lionheart Classical Academy.

The 2022 Garden Guide – like its parent publication, *The Old Farmer's Almanac* – is published annually and available for \$7.99 USD/CAD online and at local booksellers. A full list of retailers can be found at Almanac.com/wheretobuy. A digital version of the Garden Guide, plus other resources, is available at Almanac.com/GardenGuide.





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News from the Dublin Historical Society

Jennie B. Powers – The Woman Who Dares.” Many readers of the *Advocate* have seen the portrait of Jennie Powers in the impressive mural on Eagle Court just off Main Street in Keene. She is pictured with animals to reflect her work for more than 30 years as an agent for the Keene Humane Society.

On Thursday, April 21, at 7 pm, DHS hosts an online presentation by Jenna Carroll, Director of Education for the Historical Society of Cheshire County. Her one-hour illustrated talk introduces us to Jennie’s life story, the work of humane societies at the turn of the 20th century, and the politics of the Progressive Era (1890s-1920s) from a local perspective.

Throughout her life, Jennie took a stand against social vices in New Hampshire and Vermont. As a photographer, she documented animal cruelty, family violence, and widespread poverty in the Monadnock region and beyond. One of the first women to become a deputy sheriff in New Hampshire, she became known across the country as “The Woman Who Dares,” cited by the Boston Post in 1906 as having arrested more men than any other woman in America.

To learn about this fascinating woman, go to dublinhistory.org and click on Events. Following the description, click on the green button “Register for the Program” to sign up and receive a link to the presentation.

This event is made possible with funding assistance from New Hampshire Humanities To Go. Please join us!

Dublin Historical Society

Calling all Dublin businesses!

The Dublin Historical Society’s summer exhibition at the Schoolhouse Museum will feature Dublin Businesses Past and Present. We want to include all current Dublin businesses in the display and in a flyer to hand out to all attendees.



Jennie B. Powers painted in June 2019 by the Walldog muralists, part of the Magical History Tour of Keene. Located at 120 Main Street at Eagle Court. For more information, see walldogsinkeene.com

Send the following in an email to archives@dublinhistory.org: business name, business category/purpose, business email and business phone number. You can include a logo or photo.

Our Board members are Laura Elcoate, Philip Gammons, Ruthie Gammons, Donna Garner, Sara Germain, William Katt, Judy Knapp, Felicity Pool, Lucy Shonk

Test Your Knowledge of Dublin History #3

The Dublin Historical Society has prepared a third list of questions based on these sources: “Recollections of a Joyous Painter,” by Nancy Douglas Bowditch; and “Village on a Hill,” by Tom Hyman. How many can you answer correctly?

1. Paintings by Dublin resident George de Forest Brush (1855-1941) are in the permanent collections of many American galleries and museums. Can you name at least three?
2. Early in his career, Brush focused his work on a particular group of Americans. Who were they?
3. Of this group he once said, “The trouble with the authorities is that they don’t understand [. . . that these are] people with many fine ideas and customs.” How did the artist come to that point of view?
4. What was the other subject matter of Brush’s painting, representing a majority of his work?
5. One Dublin summer, George de Forest Brush, Joseph Lindon Smith, and Mark Twain engaged in a debate. What was the topic?
6. What house in town is named after Brush and is still in the family?

The Dublin Historical Society (DHS) is at 8 Church Street, Dublin, NH 03444. To make appointments during open hours, call 603-563-8545 or email dublinhistory@townofdublin.org.

See answers to DHS History Quiz #3, page 14



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The Advocate Thanks Bill Goodwin

After more than a decade serving as *The Dublin Advocate's* treasurer, Bill Goodwin is stepping down. He has ably seen the *Advocate* through years of accounting and has the spreadsheets to prove it. We feel very fortunate that he stayed with us so long.

Before Bill moved to Keene from Dublin a few years ago, he served in many other town capacities as well, including at the library and the church. He was awarded the Citizen of the Year Award (*Advocate*, April 2015, p. 3). For an earlier mention of Bill's activities, see May 2012 *Advocate*, p. 13.

Replacing him will be Susanne Vogel of Dublin.

Please join us in saying goodbye to Bill and join us in welcoming Susie, who comes to us well-versed in all things financial.

Live Opera is Back!

BY RICK MACMILLAN

While the pandemic raged on, live theater in the Mondadnock Region suffered; Raylynmor Opera withdrew from the stage as well. Though Raylynmor produced three video-streamed productions over the past year and a half (all viewable from www.raylynmor.com), we are thrilled to announce productions for the remainder of this season, adapting classic opera to a contemporary setting.

The Impresario: This sequel to Raylynmor's 2021 film production of Mozart's *Bastien and Bastienne*, hinges on those two social media stars making the jump to Hollywood. Abetted by their agent, Colas, the plot gets complicated when Colas pitches a new idea for a TV program to Bastienne and her rival Madame Silberklang. Viewable at www.raylynmor.com after March 31.

La Cenerentola (Cinderella): Raylynmor will be back on stage at the Park Theater in Jaffrey May 13 and 14. Befitting the grand opening of our return to live opera, this production (done in conjunction with Salt Marsh Opera, Stonington, CT) of Rossini's timeless classic is situated in the fashion center of Italy, Milan.

We find Cenerentola (Cinderella), a seamstress and aspiring fashion designer, laboring under her oppressive stepfather (Magnifico) and wannabe-model stepsisters, Clorinda and Tisbe. It is Fashion Week in Milan, and Cenerentola is intent on presenting her fashion creations. The plot unfolds along the lines of the fairy tale we all know, albeit the Prince is portrayed as the head of the preeminent Milanese fashion house, House of Ramiro, a rival

to Magnifico. Though the stage is set for Ramiro to rescue Cenerentola from the clutches of her stepfamily, she succeeds in bridging the rival factions into an all-powerful fashion empire.

In keeping with the festive mood, Raylynmor will host a pre-show social hour and red carpet photo opportunity.

Falstaff: In late June, Raylynmor will conclude this season with a production of Giuseppe Verdi's final opera, *Falstaff*. In this adaptation, we find Falstaff, a washed up member of the aristocracy, facing crushing debt and seeking a way to regain some of his stature. He schemes to enlist the help of two wealthy (married) women in Windsor (Alice Ford and Meg Page), by seducing them – and then have them help with his financial problems. The women decipher his plot and resolve to play along in order to later embarrass him. The intervention of Alice's jealous husband, Ford, only complicates things until Falstaff, caught in the middle, can only save his dignity by admitting to his lecherous ways.

We invite you to put these productions on your calendar, and visit www.raylynmor.com for ticket updates and streaming of our past productions.

Community Suppers Are for Everyone

On Tuesday, April 26, a free Community Take-Out Supper is offered by the Dublin Community Church. Pickup begins at 5:30 pm. The menu will be meat loaf, potatoes, salad, and dessert. Reservations are required. Call Laurie at 603-876-5003 by Friday, April 22, to reserve a meal and give her your phone number. You will get directions when you call.



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Local Rotary Club Submitting Funds to Aid Ukraine Refugees



Trustees of the Grand Monadnock Rotary Club Charitable Fund are James Kelly, Pegg Monahan, Greg Robidoux (club president), Bob Hanson (charitable fund chair on screen), Dale Gabel (fund treasurer), Rick MacMillan, and Jim Guy. Photo by Harry Wolhandler, club member.

The Grand Monadnock Rotary Charitable Fund is sending \$2000 to be directed to the local Polish Rotary Club, Zamosc Ordynack Rotary Club, which coordinates aid at the Ukraine border. The aid money will go to help the successive groups of refugees (mainly women and

children) find safe shelter in Poland, and to store and distribute humanitarian aid to the refugees. They will also help those who want to travel on to other parts of Western Europe and Scandinavia.

If you want to make contributions to our local Grand Monadnock Rotary Club, PO

Box 354, Peterborough, NH 03458, your contributions will be sent on to the Polish Rotary Club.

Address questions to Pegg Monahan, Secretary of the Rotary Charitable Fund, at 603-852-8166.

Answers to DHS History Quiz #3, page 12

1. Boston Museum of Fine Arts; Corcoran and Freer Galleries of Art in Washington, DC; Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City (among many others)
2. Indians
3. For a time, he lived with the Arapahoe, Shoshone and Crow tribes
4. Motherhood and the family (often including his wife and six daughters). As he explained to one interviewer, "I do figure pictures . . . I've lived all my life by painting my own family"
5. "Which is Superior – Man or Woman?"
6. Brush Farm

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2022 Hunger Walk Plans Announced

The 6th Annual Monadnock Hunger Walk will take place in Jaffrey on Saturday, May 7. The Walk raises money for local food pantries and programs. Programs that have benefited in previous Walks include Antrim Food Pantry, Lyndeborough Food Pantry, Helping Hands Pantry in Troy, Greenfield Food Pantry, Greenville/St Vincent DePaul Food Pantry, End 68 Hours of Hunger in the ConVal School District, and Got Lunch in the Conant School District, South Meadow Food Pantry and the New Hampshire Food

Bank, which helps to fill the shelves of local food pantries and programs.

This year's walk will start at 9 am from the United Church of Jaffrey. Check-in and snacks will be outside anytime after 8 am. There will be two walks, one for the heartier walkers who can walk four scenic miles and another shorter walk on sidewalks for more casual walkers and for families with small children or strollers. The shorter route was a great success with families in the 2019 Rindge walk.

The Walk's organizing group encourages walkers to invite their friends and family

to walk with them or to sponsor them by writing a check to whichever food pantry or food program the sponsor wishes to support. Walkers bring the checks at check-in on May 7; the checks will be delivered to the programs within a few days.

Because of the lack of housing, and especially affordable housing, families often opt to pay the rent and cut back on food, in the hope that our local food pantries and programs will be there to help as needed. Walking Papers and instructions can be found on Facebook; search for Monadnock Hunger Walk.

For questions, please email julieflood-page@gmail.com.

Help Us Collect the Foods We Can Use

Thank you so much for making a difference for hungry kids!

Thank you to the voters of the town of Dublin for supporting End 68 Hours of Hunger financially again this year. That means so much to us, and to the children we serve; we're truly grateful.

Thanks, also, to all who continue to leave food donations at the church for End 68 Hours. We so appreciate your support – especially when the foods left are among those shown here.

Each week, we try to make sure that every child pretty much gets the same

food items – so we hope you'll understand that our needs are very specific. We cannot take anything in a glass container – imagine the inside of a child's backpack after the glass jar of tomato sauce breaks on the way home – and we're not able to accept economy-size versions of anything, because they just don't fit in the bags. Food pantries are much better homes for those items.

So what can we actually put to good use? We love donations of cereal (12-ounce boxes), beef stew, canned chicken, peanut butter (16-ounce containers), soup, boxes

of instant oatmeal, rice (1-pound packages), crackers (Ritz, Saltines, or Club), nutrition bars (full boxes only), macaroni and cheese, canned pasta, fruit cups (not cans), tuna, and canned vegetables.

Foods can be left on the westside entrance of the Dublin Community Church.



CCCD's Community Supported Solar Campaign

Thank you to our community!

The Cheshire County Conservation District (CCCD) thanks community members throughout our state and beyond who supported our Monadnock Region Community Supported Solar for Farms (CSS) Crowdfunding Campaign.

During February, CCCD led a crowdfunding campaign through The Local Crowd Monadnock's platform. CSS brings together farmers, investors, and champions to use available financial models to help local farms realize the potential of the renewable energy economy.

Farmers in NH face significant energy expenses to run their businesses. This project aims to help stabilize and lower costs of electricity for participating farms through

the CSS framework and in turn, increase the viability of those farms.

We are thrilled to announce that together we have raised \$17,812. All funds directly support local farmers, by making solar shares more accessible and affordable.

Thank you for your support of our local farmers, and for ensuring a bright future for our community!

To learn more about the CSS project, visit cheshireconservation.org/solar. To purchase a share please contact CCCD's District Manager Amanda Littleton: (603)-756-2988 ext. 4 or email her at amanda@cheshireconservation.org.

For more information, contact Amanda Littleton at 603-756-2988 ext.4 or email at amanda@cheshireconservation.org.

The Cheshire County Conservation District promotes the conservation and responsible use of our natural and agricultural resources for the people of Cheshire County by providing technical, financial, and educational assistance. Our goal is to encourage the stewardship of healthy soils, productive ecologically sound farms, diverse wildlife, productive sustainable forests, healthy watersheds, and clean water to ensure those resources are available for future generations. Established in 1945, the Conservation District operates out of Walpole, NH where we work alongside the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and other conservation partners.

Prayers of Thread

A quilt show sponsored by the Community Church of Harrisville and Chesham to commemorate George Floyd will be on display for three days in the Harrisville Mill.

It was on May 25, 2020, that George Floyd died when Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin knelt on his neck for over nine minutes. Floyd begged Chauvin to remove his knee saying he couldn't breathe. Chauvin did not and was later convicted of murder.

In the summer of 2020, nine New Hampshire UCC (United Church of Christ)

churches collaborated to create ten quilts and memorialize the deeply painful last words of George Floyd. The effort was spearheaded by Rev. Mark Koyama, minister of the Jaffrey UCC Church. He felt it was his role and the role of the church "to harness and to proclaim the subversive, the ironic, and ultimately the redemptive power of symbol."

These quilts have been displayed around New England and were featured by Fritz Weatherbee of WMUR's Chronicle on February 4, 2022 (www.wmur.com/article/nh-chronicle-the-fabric-of-social-justice/38914679#).



The quilts are coming to the Harrisville Granite Mill in April, sponsored by the Community Church of Harrisville and Chesham. Showings are scheduled for:

Friday, April 8	2 pm to 5 pm
Saturday, April 9	9 am to 2 pm
Sunday, April 10	11:30 am to 3 pm

Park in the upper, middle, and lower lots of the Granite Mill located at 69 Main Street. Viewings are free. Donations are appreciated.

Edith Tuttle's Farm Food Truck

"Farm Food Truck," 12" x 16", oil on cotton canvas, is a cheerful image for troubled times. It's the first in what I hope will be a series of regional tiny eateries, mostly ice cream, I suspect.

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The Saw-Whet Owl

BY TOM WARREN

The Saw-Whet Owl, approximately eight inches tall, is our smallest eastern owl – about the size of a Robin. It has long, broad wings and fluffy feathers to keep it warm in winter and make it look larger. It is found in most woodland habitats.

It is not often seen in daytime, except in severe winters or during late winter snowstorms when it appears in large numbers looking for food. Sometimes during bitter cold, they can be found in sheds or barns. Sheltering in conifers low to the ground, they are so tame that they can be picked up by hand. In severe winters, these owls move south or die, and some are so weak they are unable to hunt in milder climates.

The vocal notes of this owl sound like the filing of a saw, or a soft toot, and can be delivered in a ventriloquizing way so that it seems to be far away. These calls are made during mating season from March to April. The call is frequently heard at sunset and just before daylight but also often throughout the night.

During the day, the Saw-Whet retreats to the cover of conifers or to a hole in a tree

where it sleeps away a late winter snowstorm. A courageous little owl, it will attack and kill large squirrels and rats and will not hesitate to attack a man near its nest hole.

Using its asymmetric ears to locate food, deer mice and voles are its principal food. Winter woods will often find the imprint of small wings in the snow and small drops of blood near the fatal attack. During migration it will take small birds.

Here in Dublin, the Saw-Whets are year-round residents; early mating calls are heard here in the last weeks of February.

The nest is usually in a Pileated Woodpecker or Flicker hole, a natural cavity in a dead tree, or a birdhouse. The normal clutch of three to seven white eggs hatch in 21 days. Young birds fledge in about 30 days.

Occasionally, when prey is abundant,



Northern Male Saw-whet Owl

females will leave the first male behind to care for a brood and mate with a second male to raise a second brood. One female in Idaho had three mates.

Males will respond to calls by people. Be careful when making Saw-Whet Owl calls near a house with large windows and a lighted room. Once I made a Saw-Whet call and a minute later an owl flew into the window. Fortunately, he was only stunned, then recovered and flew away!

TOM WARREN is Dublin's resident ornithologist.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			DCC Dublin Community Church DCS Dublin Consolidated School DPL Dublin Public Library HUB Dublin Community Center TH Town Hall, Dublin		1 HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am	2 DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm
3 HUB Song Circle 3-5pm	4 TH Cemetery Trustees if <35°, or at cemetery if >35°, 9am; TH Select Board 4pm; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm	5 TH Rec. Comm. 8:30am; DPL Book Buddies, 3:30-4:45pm	6 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; Qigong 12-1pm; DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; StoryTime 10:30-11:30am	7 DPL Lego Club 3-5pm	8 HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am	9 DPL 3D Design & Printing with Dave 10am; Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; DCC Tim Clark Celebration of Life 2pm, reception at HUB following
10	11 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; TH Select Board 4pm	12 DPL Book Buddies 3:30-4:45pm; Therapy Dog visit 4-4:45pm; HUB Herbal Class 7-8pm	13 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; Qigong 12-1pm; DPL 3D Design & Printing with Dave 10am; Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; StoryTime 10:30am; Board of Trustees 7pm	14 DPL Lego Club 3-5pm	15 HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am	16 DPL Prof Bob Goodby "12,000 Years Ago in the Granite State" 10am; Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; Easter Egg Hunt 1pm
17 Easter Sunday	18 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; TH Select Board 4pm	19 DPL Book Buddies 3:30-4:45pm; DPL/Zoom Mending Circle 6pm; Monadnock Conservancy/Zoom Book Discussion "Saving Us" 5-6pm	20 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; Qigong 12-1pm; DPL StoryTime 10:30-11:30am; TH Dublin Conservation Commission 5pm	21 HUB Take-Out Community Lunch 12-1pm; DPL Cookbook Club Disc. Grp. (online, all day); Lego Club 3-5pm; NH Humanities to Go "Jennie B. Powers" 7pm	22 Earth Day HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am	23 DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm
24	25 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; Songwriters Group 7pm; DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; TH Select Board 4pm	26 DPL Book Buddies 3:30-4:45pm; DCC Community Supper 5:30pm	27 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-12pm; Qigong 12-1pm; DPL Coffee Hour 10am-12pm; TH Dublin Energy Committee time TBD	28 DPL Lego Club 3-5pm; HUB/Zoom Neighbor to Neighbor Chat 7-8pm	29 HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am; HUB Open Stage 7pm	30 DPL Erin Moulton Presenting "Navigating Ancestry.com" 10-11am; Coffee Hour 10am-12pm

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