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by Supervisors of the Checklist

The Supervisors of the checklist will be in session on Saturday September 3, 2022, from 2:30pm to 3:00pm at the Pound School, Depot Road, East Kingston NH. This session will address checklist items and register new voters.

September 3, 2022 will be the last day Supervisors of the check list will be accepting voter registration applications. NO ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS SHALL BE MADE TO THE CHECKLIST AFTER THIS SESSION UNTIL STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY.

Voters may register to vote at the polls on election day September 13th, 2022, at the East Kingston Elementary School 5 Andrews Lane, East Kingston NH

To register to vote, please bring the following:

- Proof of Identity (photo ID)
- Proof of Age
- Proof of Citizenship (passport, birth certificate or naturalization documents)
- Proof of Domicile (town you which you live)

If you do not have these available, you will need to sign an affidavit attesting to your ID, age, citizenship, and residence (domicile).

Bulk Waste & eWaste/White Goods Stickers

By Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

Bulk Waste

The Bulk Waste pickup requires a sticker system such as the one we use for the White Goods. Each household will be allowed 2 free stickers and may purchase additional stickers for \$20 each. They must pick them up at the Town Clerks Office. Town Clerks Office (603) 642-8406 Option #2.

Town Clerks Office hours are:

Monday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 5p.m.-7 p.m.

A log will be kept to record each household that picks up their free stickers as well as any purchased. Bulky items are defined below, any other items will not be picked up even if they have a sticker. Bulk Waste is defined as: A large item or bundle, other than commercial construction and demolition debris, hazardous waste, White Goods or CRT's, which cannot fit into a cart. Items shall include, but not be limited to: tables, chairs, couches, bed frames, mattresses, bedsprings, grills, lawnmowers (without fuel tank), bathroom fixtures, etc.

The Bulk Waste Pickup is Monday, September 19, 2022. Maplevale residents on side streets need to bring bulky items out to Maplevale Road. Cricket Hill is a private road with limited access for large trucks and will not participate in Bulk Waste Collection.

White Goods and Electronic Waste

White goods, like household appliances, and electronic waste will be collected on Monday, October 17, 2022.

REMINDER: each white good or electronic item placed at the curb will require a \$20 sticker purchased from the Town Clerk. Then call WM with the sticker number(s) the week prior to collection to notify them what white goods or electronic waste you'll be placing at the curb. WM (800) 972-4545.

NO CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH 2 P.M.

YOU MAY PICK UP YOUR STICKERS FOR BOTH EVENTS ANYTIME BEFORE THE COLLECTION DATES DURING THE TOWN CLERKS BUSINESS HOURS.

East Kingston Edition

Town of East Kingston
www.eknh.org

Town Clerk & Tax Collector

(603) 642-8794

Monday: 8am - 5pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

8am - 2:30pm

Wednesday: 5pm - 7pm

Town Administration

(603) 642-8406

Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

8am - 2:30pm

Wednesday: 11am - 7pm

East Kingston Police

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: (603) 642-5427

East Kingston Fire

ekfd.org

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: (603) 642-3141

East Kingston Public Library

eastkingstonlibrary.org

(603) 642-8333

ekpublib@comcast.net

Monday & Wednesday:

9am - 5pm

Tuesday & Thursday:

11am - 7pm

Friday & Saturday:

9am - 1pm

E. Kingston Elementary School

(603) 642-3511

EKES on the web: eks.sau16.org

SAU16 on the web: sau16.org

Newsletter Deadlines

Submissions for the following month must be submitted by the 17th of each month. Send submissions to

newsletter@eastkingstonnh.gov

Please be aware that the pandemic may affect normal business hours. It may be best to call before attempting a visit.

Voter Information

by Barbara J. Clark, Town Clerk

Absentee ballots for the State Primary Election, to be held on September 13, 2022, are now available in the Town Clerk’s Office. If you meet the state's requirements and qualifications and are unable to vote in person because of disability, religious beliefs, military service, or because of temporary absence, you may vote by using an absentee ballot.

You will need to complete an absentee ballot application form. Once completed, the application form needs to be returned to the Town Clerk’s Office. NOTE: Do not use a sharpie or marker to mark your ballot. Please use a pen or a number 2 pencil.

State Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022. Polls will be open from 8:00am to 7:00pm at the East Kingston Elementary School, Multipurpose Room.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- To vote, fill in the oval (s) opposite your choice (s) like this
- To write-in a person not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval opposite the write-in line, like this

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR EAST KINGSTON DEMOCRATIC
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 13, 2022

SAMPLE

| | | |
|---|---|--|
| For Governor Vote for not more than 1 Tom Sherman <input type="radio"/> | For State Senator Vote for not more than 1 Brenda Oldak <input type="radio"/> | For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1 Rich Clark <input type="radio"/> |
| For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1 Paul J. Krautmann <input type="radio"/> John Riggieri <input type="radio"/> Maggie Hassan <input type="radio"/> | For State Representatives Rockingham District 14 Vote for not more than 2 Trisha Tidd <input type="radio"/> Kim Casey <input type="radio"/> | For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1 <input type="radio"/> |
| For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1 Chris Pappas <input type="radio"/> | For State Representative Rockingham District 34 Vote for not more than 1 Shaw Tilton <input type="radio"/> | For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1 Michael McCord <input type="radio"/> |
| For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1 Katherine Harake <input type="radio"/> | For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1 Kevin Coyle <input type="radio"/> | For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1 Sean McBride Lewis <input type="radio"/> |

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- To vote, fill in the oval (s) opposite your choice (s) like this
- To write-in a person not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval opposite the write-in line, like this

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR EAST KINGSTON REPUBLICAN
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 13, 2022

SAMPLE

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| For Governor Vote for not more than 1 Jay Lewis <input type="radio"/> Richard A. McMenamon II <input type="radio"/> Chris Sununu <input type="radio"/> Karen Testerman <input type="radio"/> Julian M. Acciardi <input type="radio"/> | For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1 Janet Stevens <input type="radio"/> | For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1 Scott Priestley <input type="radio"/> |
| For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1 Tejasinha Sivalingam <input type="radio"/> Kevin H. Smith <input type="radio"/> Gerard Beloin <input type="radio"/> John Berman <input type="radio"/> Donald C. Bolduc <input type="radio"/> Bruce Fenton <input type="radio"/> Dennis Lamare <input type="radio"/> Edmond Laplante, Jr. <input type="radio"/> Vikram Mansharamani <input type="radio"/> Andy Martin <input type="radio"/> Chuck Morse <input type="radio"/> | For State Senator Vote for not more than 1 Bill Gannon <input type="radio"/> | For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1 Cathy Stacey <input type="radio"/> |
| For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1 Tim Baxter <input type="radio"/> Gail Huff Brown <input type="radio"/> Mark Kilbane <input type="radio"/> Karoline Leavitt <input type="radio"/> Mary Maxwell <input type="radio"/> Matt Mowers <input type="radio"/> Russell Prescott <input type="radio"/> Kevin R. Rondeau <input type="radio"/> Gilead R. Towne <input type="radio"/> Tom Alciere <input type="radio"/> | For State Representatives Rockingham District 14 Vote for not more than 2 Kenneth L. Weyler <input type="radio"/> Deborah L. Hobson <input type="radio"/> | For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1 Lisa A. Massahos <input type="radio"/> |
| For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1 Patricia Conway <input type="radio"/> | For State Representative Rockingham District 34 Vote for not more than 1 Mark Pearson <input type="radio"/> | For Delegates to the State Convention Rockingham District 14 Vote for not more than 2 Pamela Brown <input type="radio"/> |
| | For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1 Chuck Massahos <input type="radio"/> | For Delegate to the State Convention Rockingham District 34 Vote for not more than 1 Mark Pearson <input type="radio"/> |

Absentee ballots are available at the Town Offices. Application for absentee ballot is included at the back of this document.

East Kingston Girl Scouts Help Monarch Butterflies

by Pollinator Pathways NH

Girl Scouts leader Karen Cumings and Girl Scouts from East Kingston and Exeter made milkweed seed packets and donated 50 of them to the Kensington Conservation Commission for the Hodges Lodges Trail Run fundraiser on Aug. 13.

Milkweed plants are the only plants that monarch caterpillars can eat to mature into adult monarch butterflies. In July 2022, monarchs were classified as endangered species by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), due to habitat loss and climate change.

Milkweed and other seeds to support monarch butterflies and our wild pollinator friends will be available again this year at the annual Pollinator Pathways NH seed giveaway in October. Go to facebook.com/pollinatorpathwaysnh or sign up for the monthly email at PPNH18@gmail.com.



Monarch butterfly on swamp milkweed flowers.
Credit: Vicki J. Brown

Library Garden Grows Food, Community

by Vicki J. Brown

Last year, East Kingston Elementary School parents thought it would be great to have a community garden of vegetables and cheerful flowers. Founder Jennifer Dervan and her family got donations and built and filled raised beds at the East Kingston Public Library.

In the town's first annual Earth Day celebration on April 22, Shelby Stabile and her twin daughters, Elizabeth and Gabriella, sowed veggie and cut-and-come-again zinnia seeds – all donated by Shelby and many harvested last fall.

The library has harvested zucchini, string beans and tomatoes; corn will be ready soon. On the way are carrots, fall squash and mini pumpkins, for kids to decorate in the fall.

“The vegetables usually go to the first lucky patron in the morning. Sometimes we feed the guinea pigs, Sherlock and Watson,” said East Kingston Public Library’s Director, Tracy Waldon.

“The garden provides fruit and vegetables for food, while also supporting health and well-being in our wonderful town of East Kingston,” said Shelby Stabile, the garden’s organizer. “I encourage people to join in!”

Gabriella Stabile sows seeds in the library garden on Earth Day 2022.



Friends of EKPL

By FoEKPL

September greetings! Did you know there are many ways that you can support the East Kingston Public Library this month?

Get an early start on your Fall reading or start your new school year by visiting the Used Book Store (UBS) at the Pound School Fridays 10-5 or Saturdays 10-1 to check out this month's specials:

- Vintage books - large and varied selection of old books in great condition
- Gems and their history - we have a new gemologist donation of books
- Romance novels - shop our new donation of three boxes of romance novels
- Overstocks - priced to sell!
- Plays and Poetry - our sale continues
- Sneak preview - Christmas!!

The FoEKPL receives 35% of the profits from Oceanfront Gaming Casino on Hampton Beach on our Charitable Gaming Nights of September 8th and 9th.

Make your Back to School shopping dollars go a little further by signing up for Amazon Smile and allowing amazon.com to donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the Friends of the East Kingston Public Library. Log into your Amazon account on smile.amazon.com and set the "Friends of the East Kingston Public Library" as the charitable organization associated with your account.

Mark your calendar to join us at the next FoEKPL Quarterly Meeting on Thursday, October 13th at 6:00 at the Library to learn more about the group and how to support programming at the East Kingston Library.

Stop by the library, Used Book Store or the East Kingston's September Farmers Market to purchase your Friends drawstring bags or to purchase tickets for the Grumpy Whale's Star Quilt Raffle.

As always, thank you for your support! Please follow our new FaceBook Page "Friends of East Kingston Public Library", visit our webpage at www.eastkingstonlibrary.org/friends-of-ekpl or email us at friendsofekpl@gmail.com for more information.



Pictured to the right: Zoe, Nancy and Tracy at the Summer Market, on August 14th.

Adam Barss Joins the East Kingston Conservation Commission

by EK Conservation Commission

The East Kingston Conservation Commission (EKCC) welcomes Adam Barss as a new member. Adam was sworn in on August 8, 2022 and joined the August EKCC meeting.

Adam has lived in town with his wife Shannon and 4 kids since 2013. He works at Borrego Energy as a Senior Environmental, Health and Safety Manager and in his free time enjoys running, playing sports and coaching soccer for his kids.

“We are grateful to Adam and other conservation commission members for their expertise and for volunteering their time to support our beautiful town,” said Dennis Quintal, EKCC Chair.



Adam will work with Dennis and members Vicki Brown, Gordon Powers and Julie Ostopchuk to support work on these important 2022-2023 projects:

1. Powwow River Bank Restoration. The Powwow river bank (our town beach) at the Town Railroad Lot is eroding; we have a state-approved design to restore it. Three potential vendors attended the on-site meeting in July and we hope to select a vendor and begin the work soon. Learn more about the project and funding – donate a brick with your name on it! – at 4everbricks.com/donors/ekcc/
2. Open Space: Protect It or Lose It. To preserve the rural character of our town, ensure water quality, and protect state-significant wildlife habitat and corridors, our Natural Resources Inventory report recommends we increase conservation lands from 9% to 25% of total acreage in town. The 25% goal represents an additional 1,000 acres in East Kingston. This supports the “30x30” national conservation plan that aims to conserve 30% of all U.S. lands and water by 2030.

If you are interested in joining the Conservation Commission as an alternate or volunteer, please email us at EKconservation@gmail.com. Or attend one of our monthly meetings on the second Monday of the month at 5pm at the Town Office (downstairs).

We hope to meet fellow residents at the town Farmers’ Market each month. Find conservation easement and other resources at www.eknh.org/conservation-commission

Dennis Quintal – Adam Barss – Vicki Brown – Gordon Powers – Julie Ostopchuk

Girl Scout Troop 59300 Update

by Karen Cumings, Girl Scout Leader

Girl Scout Troop 59300 (Kindergarten-Grade 6 from EK and surrounding towns) has had a busy year! We have been learning how to be scientists and participated in a citizen science project, and we have used those observational skills to learn more about our environment and ways that we can protect it. As we begin a new Girl Scout year, we would like to invite you all to come out and see us at the East Kingston Farmer’s Market on September 18th. We have worked together to sort and package milkweed seeds for anyone interested in helping to build a habitat for monarch butterflies in their own backyard, and the Juniors will have some activities for kids to share what they have learned about energizing our bodies and using energy more efficiently. We hope to see you there!



EKPL Summer Reading Program “Oceans of Possibilities” Ends with a Big Splash!

Starting with a Pirate Party in June and ending with a Beach Party Blast in August, this year’s eight-week Summer Program has rivaled others in the past.

In between these events, our dedicated library staff Zoe and Tracy squeezed in an amazing number of well-attended events—a visit from the Seacoast Science Center in the library, a night learning about seagulls, a trivia night with lots of pizza (attended by more than 50 people), and a visit from Nile the Humpback Whale—all culminating in a Family Night at Camp Tricklin’ Falls.

EK resident Peter Dervan came to several events throughout the summer with his wife Jen and their two children, eight-year-old Henry, and six-year-old Iona. Pete and Jen said their kids got a lot out of the program. There was even learning snuck in there with the fun.

“It was great to have regular weekly activities to keep our two kids occupied throughout the summer,” he said. “It gave them something to do on a regular basis and offered us family-bonding time. It also was an opportunity for us to meet other families in town and get out of the heat. We have a fantastic and dedicated library staff that is really supportive of our community and families. They make the East Kingston Library quite a special place for the town.”

An Amazing Eight Weeks

by Zoe Sucu, Library Staff

Tracy and I have been overwhelmed these last eight weeks with the sheer amount of participation in the Summer Reading Program this year. It’s been BY FAR our biggest year, in length, programs, and participation. Collectively, our readers read around 1,000 hours in those eight weeks, crafted, played games, learned some cool facts and so much more.

I just want to give out the biggest thank you to all those who joined in on our fun. While it’s hard work (we start planning in February, believe it or not), it is so worth it seeing those smiles on kids faces, or watching families spend a night doing something they’ve never done before. It’s what makes it all worth it in the end.

This program would not be possible without the Friends of the Library. Year after year they help provide the programming and supplies to make this program come alive. They’re a great organization and I encourage anyone who’d like to learn more to join one of their meetings!

I’d also like to thank Tracy and Sarah for putting up with all my crazy ideas and schemes (and stress). Even short-staffed, we crushed it. I am eternally grateful.

Zoe



Important Dates

- **TUESDAY September 6th @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting**
 - In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on eknh.org/selectmen.
- **September 12th @ 5:00pm - East Kingston Conservation Commission**
 - In-Person. Meetings will be held at the Town Offices. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/conservation-commission.
- **September 15th @ 7:00pm - Planning Board**
 - In Person. Meetings are held at the Pound School. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/planning-board.
- **September 19th @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting**
 - In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on eknh.org/selectmen.
- **September 26th @ 5pm - EKPL Board of Trustees**
 - In Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the EK Public Library. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found at www.eastkingstonlibrary.org.



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Application for State Election Absentee Ballot-RSA 657:4

Absence, Religious Observance, or Disability

(Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Voters Residing Outside the U.S. use the federal post card application)

For Official Use Only

Voter Not registered

I. I hereby declare that (check one):

- I am a duly qualified voter who is currently registered to vote in this town/ward.
I am absent from the town/city where I am domiciled and will be until after the next election, or I am unable to register in person due to a disability, and request that the forms necessary for absentee voter registration be sent to me with the absentee ballot.

II. I will be entitled to vote by absentee ballot because (check one):

- I plan to be absent on the day of the election from the city, town, or unincorporated place where I am domiciled.
I am confined in a penal institution for a misdemeanor or while awaiting trial.
I am requesting a ballot for the presidential primary election and I may be absent on the day of the election from the city, town, or unincorporated place where I am domiciled, but the date of the election has not been announced.
I cannot appear in public on election day because of observance of a religious commitment.
I am unable to vote in person due to a disability.
I cannot appear at any time during polling hours at my polling place because of an employment obligation.

For use only on the Monday immediately prior to the election: I cannot appear at my polling place on election day because the National Weather Service has issued a winter storm warning, blizzard warning, or ice storm warning for election day applicable to my city, town, or unincorporated place and either (check one):

- I am elderly or infirm or I have a physical disability, and would otherwise vote in person but I have concerns for my safety traveling in the storm.
I anticipate that school, child care, or adult care will be canceled, and would otherwise vote in person but will need to care for children or infirm adults.

Any person who votes or attempts to vote using an absentee ballot who is not entitled to vote by absentee ballot shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. RSA 657:24

III. I am requesting an official absentee ballot for the following election (check only one): *Required for Primary Elections: I am a member of, or I am now declaring my affiliation with a party and I am requesting a ballot for that party's primary (check only one):

- *State Primary Election to be held on September 13, 2022
Democratic Party
Republican Party

- State General Election to be held on November 8, 2022

OR

- *State Special Primary Election to be held on / /
Democratic Party
Republican Party

- State Special General Election to be held on / /

Turn Over - You Must Complete the Page 2



Voter ID#

Date Returned: / /

Date Mailed: / /

Date Requested: / /

Last Name:
First Name:

IV. Applicant's Name (Please Print):

Last Name First Name Middle Name (Jr., Sr., II,III)

Applicant's Voting Domicile (**home**) Address:

Street Number Street Name Apt/Unit City/Town Ward Zip Code

Mail the ballot to me at this address (**if different than the above home address**)

Street or PO Box # Street name Apt/Unit City/Town State Zip Code

Applicant's Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____
(Cell phone or number where you can be contacted prior to and on election day is preferred)

Applicant's Email Address: _____@_____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

The applicant must sign this form to receive an absentee ballot. Any person who witnesses and assists a voter with a disability in executing this form shall print and sign his or her name in the space provided on the application form.

I attest that I assisted the applicant in executing this form because he/she has a disability.

Signature _____ Print Name _____

Mail/fax/email or hand deliver this completed form to your local City/Town Clerk.

For clerk addresses and fax numbers: <https://app.sos.nh.gov>

Visit the web site: <https://app.sos.nh.gov> to track your absentee ballot. You may verify receipt of your application, obtain the date when your absentee ballot was mailed to you, the date the clerk receives your completed absentee ballot, and after the election learn if your absentee ballot was rejected/not counted and why. Contact your clerk if you have questions regarding the information on the "Voter Information Look-up / Absentee Ballot Search" site.

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