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New Castle Public Library

There is not such a cradle of democracy upon the earth as the Free Public Library, this republic of letters, where neither rank, office, nor wealth receives the slightest consideration. ~ Andrew Carnegie

Please stop by on Tuesdays at 3pm for our **“Drop in for a Stitch” Knitting Group**. We have a fun group that meets to knit, crochet and needlepoint. No need to sign up, come when you can.

The Library Book Group meets the first Wednesday of each month and is always open to new members. Each year the group reads a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction. If you are interested, please stop by the library for a 2013 booklist.

Surf, Sun & Stories! was the theme of our 2013 Summer Reading program. The program included: a kick-off picnic & games, an interactive program by The Children’s Museum of NH - *Dig Into the Deep Dark Sea: Fish Aren’t Afraid of the Dark*, Art Day (with 7 projects & 46 children in attendance), a visit from Jada – a R.E.A.D. certified black lab, Perler Beads & Crafts, knitting projects, story time, snacks and summer reading logs. Our New Castle children are reading up a storm this summer!

New Materials at the Library –

DVDs: Parental Guidance, Chasing Mavericks, People Like Us, Promised Land, Playing for Keeps, Guilt Trip, Hyde Park on Hudson, Jack Reacher, Cloud Atlas, Side Effects, Quartet, Revenge/season 1, Damages/seasons 1-4, Men Who Built America, Ultimate Guide to the Presidents, ...

New Books: *Last Child* by John Hart, *Maya’s Notebook* by Isabel Allende, *Life After Life* by Kate Atkinson, *Secrets of Happy Families* by Bruce Feiler, *Cooked* by Michael Pollan, *Interestings* by Meg Wolitzer, *And the Mountains Echoed* by Kahled Hosseini, *Inferno* by Dan Brown, *Transatlantic* by Colum McCann, *Bunker Hill* by Nathaniel Philbrick, *Unintended Consequences* by Stuart Woods, *Beautiful Day* by Elin Hilderbrand, *Bad Monkey* by Carl Hiaasen, *The King’s Deception* by Steve Berry, *Revolutionary Summer* by Joseph Ellis, *Silver Star* by Jeannette Walls, *Sweet Salt Air* by Barbara Delinsky, *The Bat* by Jo Nesbo ...

Library Hours: Tuesday 12–5, Wednesday 12–5, Thursday 9–3, Friday 12–5, Saturday 9–12

Story Times: Thurs. at 9:30am & Sat. at 10am

Adult Library Book Group: 1st Wed. each month at 3pm

Drop in for a Stitch Knitting Group: Tuesdays @ 3pm

Happy Reading!

Christine Collins, Library Director

WATER AND SEWER RATES ADVISORY

The Town recently undertook an in-depth analysis of water and sewer expenditures, flows, and billing practices. As a result of a significant reallocation of the billable base from water to sewer and a change in the billing process for the Wentworth-By-The-Sea Master Association, effective this billing cycle, there will be a decrease in the sewer rate and a corresponding increase in the water rate.

Water Rate - The rate will be \$2.94 per unit (1 unit = 748 gallons). There is a minimum charge of 20 units every 4-month billing cycle (\$58.80).

Sewer Rate - The rate will be \$11.38 per unit (1 unit = 748 gallons). There is a minimum charge of 20 units every 4-month billing cycle (\$227.60). Sewer usage is determined by water consumption, excluding irrigation meters.

GREASE IN THE SEWER SYSTEM

The Town has been experiencing significant quantities of grease in the sewer system lately. Accordingly, we are asking all residents to refrain from emptying kitchen grease down the drain or allowing excessive grease to be disposed of through your dishwasher. Grease build-up will not only clog your own pipes; in sufficient quantities it will clog municipal sewer lines which is expensive to correct. And, of course, costs of this type of maintenance are always passed on to users.

Further, please know that it is a violation of the town's sewer ordinance to dump "any water or waste containing fats, wax, grease or oils, whether emulsified or, in excess of one hundred (100) mg/l or contains substances which may solidify or become viscous at temperatures between thirty-two (32) and one hundred fifty (150) degrees F (0 and 65 degrees C)."

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The Town Election was held May 14, 2013, with a total of 167 votes cast. The voter turnout was light since all but one office was uncontested. Many thanks are extended to our capable Ballot Clerks: Astrid Weeder, Barbara Bouchard, Angie Houle, Jane Page, Fran Mallon, Mary Rauh, and Leslie Parker.

The Supervisors are in the process of editing the Voter Checklist of voters who have moved out of New Castle. This will be accomplished by the end of July. Additionally, it is always helpful if residents of New Castle let the Supervisors know of voters who have moved out of town.

REMINDER: According to NH Law, voters must show a picture ID when voting in an election or will then be required to sign a Challenged Voter Affidavit legally attesting to their New Castle residency.

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Darcy Horgan
Karen Mitchell
Sherri Becker, Chair

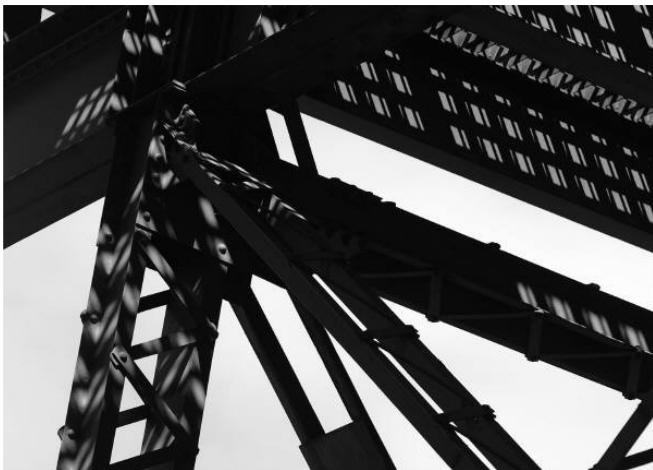


NEW CASTLE – RYE BRIDGE

Wednesday, August 14th, 7 to 9pm
The Common – Recreation Building
301 Wentworth Road (Rte 1B)
New Castle, NH

The 1941 bridge, sometimes called the Wentworth Bridge, located on Route 1B at Little Harbor, is in need of rehabilitation or replacement by the NH department of Transportation. The project team will present information on its present condition and historical, environmental, and design factors under consideration. Please attend to learn about the project, ask questions, and express your view. Doors will open at 6:30pm.

For more information visit:
www.nh.gov/dot/projects/index.html



UNH – Research Pier News

We are very excited anticipating the arrival of NOAA's newest ocean and coastal mapping vessel, *Ferdinand R Hassler*, to the UNH research pier. She is scheduled to arrive August 1 and will be a permanent fixture on the waterfront as New Castle will be homeport to the 124' vessel and crew of 14. The ship's CO, Ben Evans, is making plans to hold a "Meet the Crew" event for the residents of New Castle within a couple weeks of their arrival, so stay tuned.

Other goings-on at the Judd Gregg Marine Research Complex include an event in September to announce the formation of a new UNH School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering (SMSOE). UNH has one of the best Marine Science and Ocean Engineering programs in the country, but this is generally not evident outside of UNH. The SMSOE will allow UNH to enhance its national visibility and reputation, attract the best students, and improve upon its existing undergraduate and graduate programs.

Also coming in September will be the UNH Ocean Discovery Day. This 4th annual event is free and open to the public where guests will learn about lobsters, whales, flounder, conch, and steelhead trout. Visitors can take a guided walk around Fort Constitution, tour the US Coast Guard Station and lighthouse, and go aboard UNH's *R/V Gulf Challenger* and the gundalow *Piscataqua*. Read more at <http://marine.unh.edu/oceandiscoveryday>.

GREEN WASTE DAY

The green waste dumpster will be available to island residents one **Saturday** each month during the 2013 growing season. The dumpster is located at the Common next to the library and green waste volunteers will be on duty from 8 AM to 11AM. No after hours dumping is permitted. Because plastic bags are not biodegradable, these must be emptied and reclaimed. Using disposable paper bagging keeps clothes clean and dispositions cheerful.

Please mark these dates.....

Aug 17th

Sep 14th

Oct 12th

Nov 23rd