



Weare in the World

For Weare Residents, By Weare Residents

May 14, 2025



Dog Licenses

The Weare Town Clerk would like to thank all residents who licensed their dogs before the deadline of April 30.

There are around 2,600 dogs in town and just about 60% have been registered so far.

Town officials will be reaching out by phone to residents who have not licensed their dogs.

Beginning on **June 1**, a **\$25** civil forfeiture fee will be assessed, plus a \$1 per month late fee until the dog is licensed.

If your dog's rabies vaccination has expired and you have an appointment scheduled, please call or email the town offices so records can be updated.

Dogs can be licensed in person during normal business hours: Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Wednesdays, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. The office is closed Thursdays. Go online to register anytime at www.weare.nh.gov.

Residents can send their updated rabies certificates to us at pmoul@wearenh.gov or wsmith@wearenh.gov.

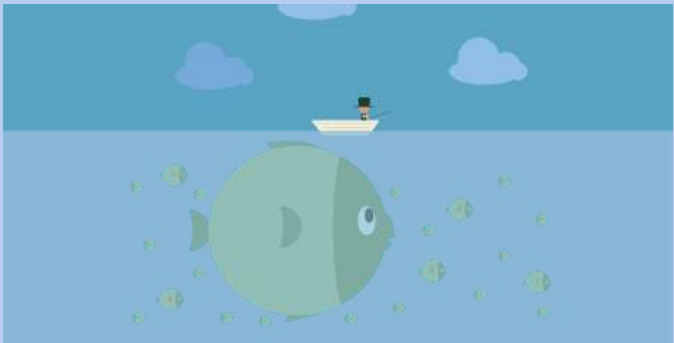


Chase Park Opening Soon

Important dates:

- **Saturday, May 17**
Boat launch only by appointment
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **May 24 - 26 (Memorial Day weekend)**
Beach and boat ramp: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **June 1 - 16 (weekends only)**
Beach and boat ramp: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **June 20 through late August**
Daily
Beach: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Boat ramp: 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The Weare Department of Public Works recently dragged the boat ramp to smooth it out in preparation for the season, and six new picnic tables have been delivered and placed around the park, bringing the total to 10, according to official meeting minutes of the Weare Parks and Recreation Commission.



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**SENIOR CENTER
& THRIFT SHOP**

...needs your input on new space! See page 5.

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River Road Bridge is to be replaced in 2026 (Tom Clow photo).

Design Plans Moving Forward to Replace River Road Bridge

By Tom Clow

At a lightly attended public input presentation at the Old Town Hall on April 30, Thom Marshall from Jacobs Engineering outlined the steps being taken for the design of the River Road Bridge that spans the Piscataquog River between the intersections at Rockland Road and at Buzzell Hill Road. Marshall is the project manager for the design team hired by the Town of Weare. He explained that there are three design phases: an engineering study, preliminary design, and final design to contract documents. They are presently in the preliminary design phase, he said.

Also present at the meeting were Weare Public Works Director Jason Fiske, Weare Town Administrator Naomi Bolton, and Julie Avenant, project manager for the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance. When asked if state funds were available for the project, Avenant said that they were. The project is eligible for 80% reimbursement through state and federal funds. Money for the design phase will come from the State Aid Bridge Program and construction phase funds will come from the federal Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. Both phases require a 20% local match.

Although the bridge has undergone repairs in 1997, 2016, and 2024, the concrete abutments, that date back to 1939, are now deteriorating leading to the need for a complete replacement of the structure. When asked about a timeline for the project, Public Works Director Jason Fiske said it would be 2026. He said that there would be another public input session before that time.

Anticipating the replacement of the River Road Bridge as well as smaller bridge replacement projects on Lull Road and Old Frankestown Road, the town established a Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund in 2017 with an initial \$105,000 placed in that fund, with additional amounts approved by voters in subsequent years. According to Finance Director Beth Rouse there is presently \$281,000 in

that fund with an additional \$326,966 which was received through state bridge aid in 2022.

In 2025 \$47,075 from the capital reserve fund has been spent to date on the preliminary design phase of the River Road Bridge, with 80% of that eligible for reimbursable, Rouse said.



Goffstown Rotary Club 12th Annual Car Show

WHEN: Saturday, June 7 / 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

WHERE: Parson's Drive, Goffstown

DETAILS: Trophies will be handed out in 16 classes including trucks, Jeeps, Mustangs, Corvettes and more. There will be awards for Best in Show, selected by lead sponsor TMS Diesel, plus others. Over 180 show vehicles will vie for awards. Food and raffles on site. Proceeds go back to the local communities of Goffstown, Weare and New Boston, as well as international relief efforts. Last year, the club donated over \$12,000 in cash and goods back to the local area through grants to local non-profits, beautification projects, scholarships to both Goffstown and JSRHS seniors and continuing education students, and support for families in need. The cost to enter a vehicle in the car show is \$20; spectators free. [Click](#) for information or to pre-register, or email goftstownrotary@gmail.com.



School News



Congratulations to the John Stark Regional High School students who participated in the school's third annual **Signing Day**. They are Kira Linstad (University of Mount Saint Vincent, softball); Jillian Fredette (Colby College, field hockey); Emily Fredette (Colby College, field hockey); Kaycie Rhodes (Rivier University, lacrosse); Ryan Mucci (Husson University, lacrosse); Adison Bolduc (Endicott College, field hockey); Joey Dykstra (Franklin Pierce University, football); Joel Douzanis (Colgate University, track & field); Alexis Boudreau (University of New England, soccer); Chase Philibotte (Franklin Pierce University, baseball); Ryder Brown (Framingham State University, baseball); and Noah Redman (New England College, football).



Center Woods Elementary School staff and students designed pieces of a giant puzzle meant to show how **everyone belongs** in the school's community. Kindergarten teacher Missy Descoteau, who also serves as a member of the SAU 24 Coalition for Safety and Belonging, said the project kickstarts an effort to consciously foster "belonging" at CWES. Teachers read their classes "Where Oliver Fits," a story about the highs and lows of learning to be yourself, and all staff and students were invited to decorate a puzzle piece showing what belonging means to them. Descoteau received 400 pieces to display in the CWES cafeteria. *Photos: Missy Descoteau puts the finishing touches on a puzzle display about belonging at CWES. Above right: second graders take in the giant mural.*



John Stark Regional High School students shared in a host of different activities during the school's annual **Intrasection**, a chance to share in the hobbies and outside interests of staff members. Some activities included an overnight hiking trip in the White Mountains, a cake bake off, natural/spa product making, golfing, bowling, roller skating, paintballing, board games, making maple syrup, indoor rock climbing and a trip to Broadway to see "The Outsiders."



Weare Bible Baptist Church

82 N. Stark Highway, Weare

Young Adult Game Night

Friday, June 6, 7 – 10 p.m.
Come join the fun!

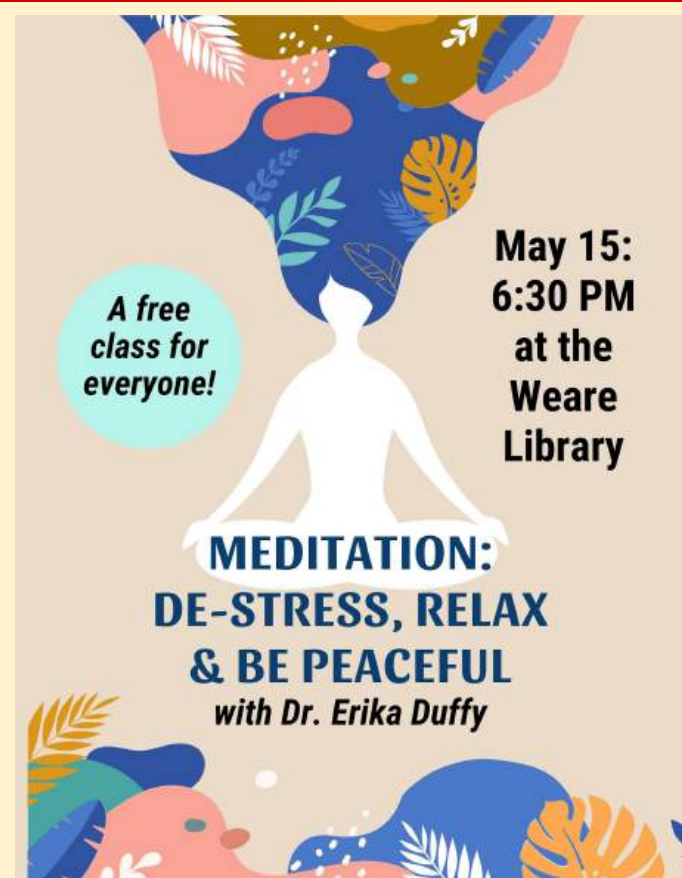
Weare Patriotic Celebration

June 20-21
Stop by our booth!

August Vacation Bible School is coming!

More information: (603) 212-1600
email: office@wearebiblebaptist.com
Website: wearebiblebaptist.com

Weare Public Library



Meditation: De-stress, Relax, and Be Peaceful (adults). Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. In this free class, Dr. Erika Duffy will guide you in eliminating negative patterns. You'll learn how meditation can help you to relax and feel instantly refreshed - enabling you to slow down, create peace, and face life's challenges.

Weare Library Events

PokeMondays (kids). Mondays, 2:30-4 p.m. Meet, trade, and play with other Pokemon card game enthusiasts and win prizes.

Cards! (adults). Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2-4:30 p.m. Meet and play pinochle or cribbage with other card game enthusiasts in the Paige Room.

Anime & Manga Club (ages 10+). 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, 2:15-3:30 p.m. Stop by after school to talk about manga and watch your favorite anime shows!

Afterschool Gaming (ages 6-18). Wednesdays, 2-4:30 p.m. Challenge your friends on the Nintendo Switch, PlayStation and other game systems.

Ruff Readers (ages 5-11). Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m. Emerging readers get to read with one of our visiting therapy dogs. Call us to sign up.

Craft Group (adults). Thursdays, 1-3 p.m. Relax and craft and learn something new.

Baby & Toddler Playgroup (ages 0-3). Fridays, 10:30-noon. An informal gathering for young children and their caregivers. Get out of the house; meet new friends! Books, puzzles, early literacy toys, & music.

Book Group (adults). Wednesday, May 28 at 7 p.m. We're reading and discussing *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*. Call us 603-529-2044 to reserve your copy.

Make Your Own Bug Spray! (adults and teens.) Saturday, May 31, 11 a.m - 1 p.m. Join our free workshop to discover essential oils and plants for making natural repellents against black flies, ticks, mosquitoes, and other pesky bugs. Craft your own spray to take home and learn more recipes. Space is limited. Call to register.

The passes below are made possible by the Friends of the Weare Public Library! Double click on the icon to explore.



Weare Garden Club Plant Sale

Saturday, May 17 / 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Weare Center Gazebo

Come by and buy! Plants are contributed by our members. We have annuals and perennials, including flowering plants, ground covers, shrubs, herbs and more. Proceeds go toward our annual scholarship for JSRHS students.

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**SENIOR CENTER
& THRIFT SHOP**

The Hand in Hand Senior Center is a gathering place for seniors to socialize and get involved in group activities.

33 North Stark Highway, Weare, NH 03281

Wed. - Sat., 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

603-529-4263 / www.facebook.com/hihsc.org

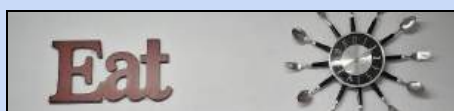
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We are reaching out to you because **Hand in Hand Senior Center and Thrift Shop** needs your input. We have outgrown our present location. Our success -- in providing a place for seniors (50 and older) to gather, socialize, enrich, enjoy programs for healthier living, support each other, share interests and talents and build community -- needs more space. Our amazing Thrift Shop, our financial lifeline, needs more room to serve the community at large.

Please help us find a new home. We know this is a gigantic ask. We need a place big enough for the present and growing needs of our citizens. Space in an existing building is preferred, but we can consider land to build on. Accessibility is a must

A site on Route 114 would allow the Thrift Shop to thrive and the Center to be available to more people.

With your help we will be able to continue to grow and look to a bright future. Hand in Hand Senior Center provides a warm, welcoming, inspiring place that has so much to offer Weare and surrounding communities. Call 603-529-4263 and leave a message with a return number, or contact Bob at rboucher@hihsc.org with your thoughts, ideas and help. A heartfelt "thank you" for the support you have given us in the past.



Join us for lunch every Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Dine in, take out, or free delivery.

May 7: Shepherd's pie

May 14: BLT sandwich with chips

May 21: Turkey pot pie

Coffee, tea, and various desserts are also available. Donations are graciously accepted. All are welcome to stay and socialize, play games, and work on crafts.

TRANSPORTATION
IS COMING TO

Weare



Here to help our neighbors
stay healthy and independent
—one ride at a time.



Starting July 1st, 2025, **Community Volunteer Transportation Company** will expand their service area to include the towns of New Boston and **Weare**.

For more information, visit cvtc-nh.org, call **603-821-0569**, or email info@cvtc-nh.org.

Need help getting to appointments?

Schedule a no-fee ride with CVTC!

CVTC provides "no-fee" transportation for those who are unable to drive themselves.

Volunteer drivers give rides based on availability to non-emergency medical or social service appointments and to the grocery store, bank, post office, or pharmacy.

Have a few hours each month to help a neighbor?

Become a CVTC Volunteer Driver!

As a driver, you choose which rides you would like to do, based on your availability and area preference.

You'll receive staff-supported enrollment and orientation, calendar reminders via email, monthly mileage reimbursement, and loads of appreciation.

Humor



A Conversation With AI

By Michael Collins

Hello?

I see you are calling from a number in our system. Welcome. For technical help, press 1; for sales, press 2; for billing and payments, press 3, for customer service - a live person - press the infinity button on your phone. That is how long you will be on hold. *Just a little AI joke there.*

I see you pressed 1 for technical help. Please state your problem.

Service is down.

My system indicates that your system is down. Here are some helpful resources. Just log into our website and go to "other resources".

But, my internet is down. That is why I am calling.

Please state the nature of your problem.

My problem is that you do not respond to my problem and give me canned nonsense instead.

For "canned nonsense", please go to our website and type it into the search bar.

Can I get an actual person?

Please note that many thousands of hours of customer calls have been used to develop this automated phone service, so humans are no longer necessary or available. Please state the nature of your problem.

I just want to know when you will restore the internet. It has been down for two days.

Your service has been down for only 45 hours, 12 minutes, and 15 seconds.

Yes, That is two days.

Your service has been down for only 45 hours and 12 minutes and 22 seconds.

Can you tell me what happened and when service will be restored?

I do not understand the question. If you need further assistance, please visit our website.

Goodbye.



Looking for Something to Do?

Compiled by Sharon Czarnecki

Don't forget, links to items previously featured here can now be found at: [Looking for Something to Do](#)



Weare Pink Ladies

By Lily Tang Williams

This month's gathering will be at Molly's Tavern in New Boston on **Friday, May 16** from 5 to 7 p.m. We selected an evening time as we are hoping to meet some more ladies with daytime jobs. There is no agenda. We just get together to relax and support each other. Please RSVP if you are able to come so that we can lily4liberty@comcast.net or You can find us on Facebook and join our private group: [\(2\) Weare Pink | Facebook](#).



POETRY CORNER

He Said Those Dishes Have More Personality Than His

Do dishes have personalities,
I never thought of them in that manner,
it was always more like, quality,
fine China, Melmac, pottery,
delicate, functional, plain, fancy,
I have gold rimmed fine Lenox, for
special occasions, simpler white
for in between events, ordinary
every day and Melmac for picnics,

gathering dust on the basement
workbench are two sets left from
combining two houses into one,
these are the ones he said have more
personality than his, so I
began thinking personality
rather than function, much more
fun, enhancement for fine dining,
one set, Flamenco flare, sizzling
fajitas, the other simple
sophistication by candlelight,
those are the ones he chose,
they will look lovely on
placemats I wove, and a
round table made by his
grandfather, in his new condo,
now is the time to see mine in a
new light with personalities.

-Marge Burke

Green

Green grows the grass,
at last, very slow
awakening this spring,
winter came early,
snowy and cold,
stayed late with
more of the same,
metamorphosis from
brown to green creeps
snail like, not all at once
hesitant, timid,
appearing first in small
patches on sunny slopes,
then verdant fields,
drenching rain an added
bonus to greening of
earth's soft blanket of spring.

-Marge Burke



WE'RE HIRING

STONEBRIDGE
COUNTRY CLUB

HELP WANTED
BUILDING MAINTENANCE

OFFERING 30-40 HOURS A WEEK. LOOKING FOR AN ENERGETIC, HARD WORKING PERSON FOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND BANQUET SETUP. LANDSCAPING, PAINTING, JANITORIAL, LIGHT HANDYMAN EXPERIENCE A PLUS. \$17-\$25 AN HOUR. CONTACT JASON JOZOKOS AT JASON@STONEBRIDGECCNH.COM

The advertisement features four small images: a golf course, a clubhouse, a person painting, and a banquet hall.

Kitchen: Eddie@stonebridgeccnh.com

Building: RAJ@stonebridgeccnh.com

Weare Business Corner



JUST LIKE HOME
pet care

Experienced, professional, loving
care of your dog
in my secure home
while you are away
Weare, NH

603-529-0756

The advertisement includes a cartoon illustration of a woman sitting on a rug with two dogs.

Ask for Kathy Lorenz.

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Mark your Calendar

Wednesday, May 14

7 p.m. – Conservation Commission meeting

Thursday, May 15

3:45 p.m. – Trustees of the Trust Funds meeting

6 p.m. – Ethics Committee meeting

Friday, May 16

11 a.m. – Weare Area Writers Guild meeting

Monday, May 19

6:30 p.m. - Board of Selectmen meeting

Tuesday, May 20

7 p.m. – Parks and Recreation Committee meeting

6 p.m. – Weare School Board meeting

Wednesday, May 21

7 p.m. – Energy Commission meeting

Thursday, May 22

7 p.m. – Planning Board meeting

Monday, May 26

6:30 p.m. - Board of Selectmen meeting

