



ALEXANDRIA TODAY JULY 2017 EDITION

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Town Clerk/Tax Collector

2017 Wellington State Park Beach Passes

Wellington State Park Beach Passes are for Alexandria residents and taxpayers only. Must provide proof of property ownership or residency.

- Adults ages 12+: \$6.00
- Children ages 6 to 11: Passes are required for each child but at no charge
- Children ages 0 to 5: Free, no passes needed
- NH Residents over 65: Free with a NH driver's license

To purchase by mail, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with a list of names and ages with a check for the correct amount made payable to Town of Alexandria.



PRIMARY ELECTION FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE GRAFTON COUNTY, DISTRICT 9

Tuesday, July 18, 2017 8:00 am to 7:00 pm

Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria

There are no party changes before the primary. The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session for additions and corrections to the checklist at the Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH on Saturday, July 8, 2017 from 11:00 am to 11:30 am. Absentee Ballots are available for people that will be out of Town or not able to make it to the polls due to working on election day or will be otherwise absent from town on election day or due to religious observance or physical disability.



Recycling Committee 07/17



Recycling is contagious; You set the example, and others will follow

Money in our Pockets

I'm pleased to report that in May our recycling program again showed a net savings; \$152. This savings includes \$288 we received from scrap metal and \$180 savings based on glass recycling. With May savings, our savings through May now stand at just over \$50 – not that impressive, but it is a **savings**. During the month of June, we have already received \$1285 in revenue from scrap metal, which will be reflected in next month's report. We routinely monitor prices being paid for recycled materials, and we will continue to do so and work with our vendors to obtain the most favorable arrangements.

Everyone Does Make a Difference

Two leading companies have recently announced that they are making significant contributions to the recycling effort that will have a major impact on the environment and help preserve our natural resources. The direct impact on us as individuals is that we may soon be able to include these items with our recyclable materials. I also think that it is important that we, as consumers, recognize the commitment and contribution these companies are making to the recycling effort globally.

Keurig is developing a fully recyclable K-Cup pod and is committed to ensuring 100% of its K-Cup pods are recyclable by the end of 2020 [K-Cup pods are not currently recyclable], and the company says it is on track to meet that goal. The company recently announced that it has accelerated recyclability of K-cups in Canada, and now has a project goal, in Canada, of 2018. Keurig's work to improve recycling systems and education through its initiatives and investments total more than \$1 million a year with partnership organizations such as The Closed Loop Fund and The Recycling Partnership. Keurig also continues its testing at recycling facilities, aimed at helping the industry understand how K-Cup pods and other plastic items travel through recovery equipment so the company can help to catalyze system-wide change in ensuring those plastics get a second life as a new consumer product.

SC Johnson, headquartered in Racine, Wisconsin, announced that it has reached a milestone in its quest to make Ziploc brand bags and other types of plastic film recyclable, avoiding millions of pounds of plastic from ending up in landfills. The company says it is converting flexible film that includes grocery store and Ziploc brand bags into full-size garbage bags.

Developing a way to reuse Ziploc brand bags and other types of plastic film is a key step in the process to expand recycling. Ziploc brand bags have been collected for recycling at stores, along with other plastic bags; however, those bags are clean. Ziploc brand bags and other plastic film tossed in recycling bins pick up dirt and other grime, reducing

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their value for reuse. Additionally, plastic film material is not easily processed by most recovery equipment, and most recycling facilities in the U.S. remove this material from the recycling stream by hand and send them to the landfill.

Finding a way to allow both used and unused Ziploc brand bags to become part of the recycling stream will make the practice of recycling them economically feasible, more convenient for the public, and boost recycling numbers. Cleaning the bags is a critical step in the preparing the bags for recycling. SC Johnson has partnered with a company in Europe which has developed the equipment and technique necessary to wash the bags. After converting the rinsed plastic film into pellets, another European company melts down the pellets and converts them into garbage bags. SC Johnson says it is testing the same process in the U.S. with a recycling facility and a garbage bag manufacturer. The company says it also is looking into additional uses for the collected material, such as manufacturing pallets and construction beams. SC Johnson says it has no plans to mass produce or sell garbage bags made from recycled Ziploc brand bags, though it will sell limited quantities on its Green Choices website: www.scjohnson.com/en/green-choices/overview.aspx, by the end of the year.

Reusing Makes Good ¢

<http://www.boredpanda.com/creative-reuse-upcycling-repurposing-ideas/>

Here's a website with some creative ideas for repurposing items you might otherwise just throw away. Below are some samples of what you'll find on this website; check it out.



Convert bottle caps into tea candles



Turn an old ladder into a bookshelf



Cuddly toys from a stray winter glove



Oil lamps from old light bulbs

Creative ideas for recycling items are always welcome, as well as comments and suggestions about the newsletter articles. Please submitted your comments via email to: steve.whitman@hotmail.com; with the author's permission, comments may be printed in subsequent issues. Thank you all for your continued support; thanks to you our program is working.



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Other Local Events/Organizations



HAYNES LIBRARY

Open on Mondays from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
33 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH 03222 (603) 744-6529



SWIM WITH A MISSION: NEWFOUND LAKE

Swim With A Mission is a charity open-water swim festival founded to honor and support our Veterans. Our swimmers will have the unique opportunity to swim in one of America's cleanest lakes, Newfound Lake in Bristol, NH. The top fundraisers for the event will have a chance to have a Navy Seal with them. But our festival doesn't stop there, once the races are done you, your family and guests can meet U.S. Navy SEALs and enjoy the live U.S. Navy SEALs demonstration. Live music provided throughout the day by iHeart radio and exciting food from your favorite local vendors. Proceeds from the festival will go to support the Navy SEAL Museum in Ft. Pierce, Florida, Veterans Count, and other local Veterans organizations in the Lakes Region.

Event details and schedule Date: Friday, July 14, 2017

Distance: 5K individual, 10K individual and a 10 mile team relay.

Start: Races begin at 7:00 am and run through 12:00 pm. 10K – 7:00 am; 10 Mile – 7:15 am; 5K – 8:00 a.m *Exact start time subject to change and will be updated closer to the event date.*

Check-in: All swimmers – 5:45 am – 6:45 am

Location: Wellington State Park on Newfound Lake, Bristol, NH

Description: These are open water swims in a loop pattern that begin and end at Wellington State Park. Each race will be an open water start. Please see Map for routes.

Fees: \$25.00 per individual swimmer. (\$25.00 sign-up fee will be credited toward the \$500.00 minimum fundraising commitment). Participant cap: 400 swimmers



To benefit



SJ Memorial Ride to benefit David's House – Saturday, August 25th (rain date August 27th)

Registration begins at 8:00 am at Hart's Turkey Farm, Meredith NH - \$20 per person
Complimentary breakfast buffet from 8 am to 10 am for registered riders/passengers.
Ride leaves for David's House promptly at 10 am.

Join us for the after event at Laconia Harley Davidson from 3 pm to 6 pm

For more information, please contact Meghan at meghan@colby-group.com or

<https://www.facebook.com/RememberingSJ>

Donations can be made online at www.davids-house.org/sj

Newfound Lake Region Association Summer Info

Aligning Town Vision and Land Use Regulations – Alexandria 7/19 at 7 pm – An NLRA presentation and discussion with watershed planners and decision makers on watershed growth and development, natural resource analysis and mapping, and tools and recommendations to achieve Town Master Plan Visions.

Lake Week, 7/22-7/29...A week-long celebration of "all things Newfound." Events will include guided hikes, a sailing race, group paddling event, & much more. www.newfoundlake.org

Hawk Migration Association, 8/17...Julie Brown of HMANA will be discussing the work the organization does to promote raptor migration monitoring efforts.

Boat Tours, June-Oct, Mon/Thu/Fri—The Eco-Tour Program includes hands-on discovery, historical facts and time to soak in the beauty of Newfound Lake on the NLRA Pontoon Boat.

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Office Hours

Selectmen's Office – 744-3220

Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 11 am to 6 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 8 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector – 744-3288

Monday: 9 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 9 am to 7 pm
Wednesday: 9 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 9 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Transfer Station

Monday: 8 am to 12 pm
Wednesday: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm

Police Department 744-6650

Chief Donald Sullivan
When dispatcher picks up, give dispatcher your message. They will page an officer on the radio. Cell phones are not reliable locally.

Highway Department – 744-6516

Jeff Cantara, Road Agent

Planning Board – 744-8986

Deliberative Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm, 6pm during winter months (November thru March)
Open 1 hour prior to meeting.
Chair, Merry Ruggirello
Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting.

Town Committees/Commissions

Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission meets the 4th Wednesday of the month in the conference room at the municipal building.
To contact the Conservation Commission:
e-mail: alexandrianh@metrocast.net
Phone: 603-744-3220
Mail: 47 Washburn Road
Alexandria, NH 03222

Recycling Committee

Please send your suggestions, tips, and comments to: steve.whitman@metrocast.net or call 744-3596. Thank you for recycling.
A Reminder: Anyone wishing to receive electronic copies of committee business conducting electronically or meeting minutes can do so by providing me with an email address. Sent to: alexandrianh@metrocast.net

FIRE PERMITS

Category I & II fire permits can be obtained in the Selectmen's Office (603-744-3220), but you will need to provide a copy of the previous year's permit in order to get a permit for the current year.

All other burn permits are available from the following:

Fire Warden: Mark Chevalier 603-455-1591 Tom Moore 603-744-5386
Deputy Fire Wardens: Fred Platts 603-744-2229 or 603-744-2190
Dave Ogden 603-744-9056 George Clayman 603-254-7345
Jeff Cantara 603-744-6516 or 603-848-1852 Robert Duquette 603-744-9819

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Please check website for up-to-date meeting schedule

Thursday, July 6, 2017: Budget Committee Meeting at 7:00 pm
Tuesday, July 11, 2017: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm
Tuesday, July 18, 2017: Primary Election for State Representative Grafton District 9 (8:00 am to 7:00 pm)
Wednesday, July 19, 2017: Planning Board Meeting at 7:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25, 2017: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, July 26, 2017: Conservation Commission Meeting at 6:30 pm

*All meetings are held in the Conference Room at the Municipal Building (47 Washburn Road) and open to the public unless otherwise noted.
Selectmen: All appointments and agenda items for Selectmen's meetings must be submitted to the Selectmen's Office by 4:00 pm the Thursday before the meeting. The Selectmen hold work sessions as needed at 5:00 pm prior to the meetings.*

Planning Board: Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting.

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