

# New part-time Fire Chief appointed in New Durham

NEW DURHAM — The New Durham Select Board has announced the appointment of Tim Wilder as the new part-time New Durham Fire Chief.

Wilder brings strength in key skill areas such as emergency management coordination, command and emergency response procedures, firefighter development, on-scene incident management, departmental and personnel accountability, and budget planning and management, as well as commercial/residential construction inspections.

Previous employment with the Durham, Rochester, and Milton Fire Departments has given Wilder experience in leadership with a focus on public safety.

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Reader Stuart Leiderman of Barnstead shared this photo of the “Ukrainian Victory Garden” he’s spent the past three years cultivating with seeds purchased from Ukraine. Leiderman donates seeds to schools and local gardeners wishing to show their support for the Ukrainian cause as well. Sunflowers are a major field crop in that region, where they are pressed to produce cooking oil.

STUART LEIDERMAN — COURTESY

# Pumpkin & Pine Fair returns Sept. 20

BARNSTEAD — Save Saturday, Sept. 20, for the Pumpkin & Pine Fair in North Barnstead, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This church fair has been held for more than 20 years, and is a great place to meet friends for lunch at the café (get there early for the pulled pork) and to shop for unique treasures or gift baskets. The colorful purses and bags with fabric from Ghana will be there along with a silent auction that includes the art of juried New Hampshire artists. As always there will be collectibles, home goods and lots of baked goods. We offer gluten free goodies too! We will have Halloween costumes and décor, and Christmas décor as well. Many games and puzzles and a free craft table for children while you shop. Come find something for your home or start thinking of Christmas gifts.

Here is a list of some of the auction items: Ken Burt of Neva Dun Farm-Cut your own Christmas tree, Kathy Traynor donated a Watercolor of Barnstead Parade by Dan Brit, 3 weaving/wall hangings from Helen Fitzgerald, a Watercolor of a Calla Lilly by Clair Bolster, 4 tickets for the Pittsfield Players donated by Jean Gentile, Karate lessons from Jen and Dave Nolin, a basket of Maple syrup goods from Journeys End, Johnsons Restaurant \$50 gift certificate, and several gift baskets of children’s crafts and wood working crafts, just to name a few.

The Congregational Church of North Barnstead is part of the United Church of Christ. We are Open and Affirming and Access for All. We use our fair funds both to support the church and to extend our ministry out into the world, including to local community groups and families in need. The address is 504 North Barnstead Rd., just above Peacham Road. Don’t miss our wonderful Pumpkin and Pine Fair!

## African Children’s Choir to perform at United Methodist Church

GILFORD — The African Children’s Choir will perform Monday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Gilford-Laconia, 18 Wesley Way, Gilford.

The African Children’s Choir is marking more than four decades of transforming lives through the power of music, education and hope. As they embark on a tour of more than 100 cities, the Choir will continue to captivate audiences with their heartwarming performances with a show that blends traditional hymns and African cultural sounds, while sharing stories of God’s faithfulness through joyful worship.

Comprised of children ages 8 to 10, all from vulnerable backgrounds across Africa, the African Children’s Choir serves as a powerful testament to the resilience and potential of Africa’s future leaders. Each child in the Choir has faced significant hardship, often with limited access to education. Yet, through the Choir, these children gain life-changing opportunities for education and personal growth, becoming beacons of hope for their communities.

“The African Children’s Choir proves just how powerful music can be,” says Choir Manager, Tina Sipp. “These concerts not only provide hope and encouragement to our audiences, but they offer the children life-changing experiences that help shape them into future leaders.”

The Choir invites communities to experience their performances and be part of their mission to bring hope through music. No tickets are required, though donations are appreciated to continue the Choir’s impactful work.

# Golden Eagles shine at The Ridge

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

GILFORD — The Gilford golf team had the pleasure of playing on its home course a couple of times in the opening week of the season.

The Golden Eagles kicked off the season on Wednesday, Sept. 3, at The Ridge, welcoming Bishop Brady, Laconia and Lebanon to town. Gilford scored 84 points on the day to finish in second place behind Brady’s 91 points while Lebanon finished with 80 points and Laconia finished with 65.

Brayden Drew shared medalist honors for the day with a one-over-par 37 out of the second spot in the Gilford lineup. Ryan Folan in the top spot and Robbie McMath in the third spot both scored 20 points and Andy Taylor in the fourth spot scored 18 to round out the scoring for Gilford. Sam Kelley had 15 points from the seventh spot, Colton Byars had 13 points from the sixth spot and Adam Marceau had seven points in the fifth spot in the lineup.

On Friday, Sept. 5, the Golden Eagles took part in a match hosted by Sanborn at Apple Hill and came home with a tie with Campbell, with the Cougars winning the tiebreaker to take the overall win with 78 points. Gilford had 77 points, John Stark had 72 points and Sanborn finished with 69 points.

Folan and Drew shared medalist honors for the day, with both scoring 24 points from the top two spots in the lineup while Byars had 16 points from the fifth spot and McMath and Taylor both had 13 points in the third and fourth spots, with one of those scores counting toward the team score. Drew Smith had 12 points in the sixth spot and Dalton Houle scored nine points in the seventh spot.

Gilford rounded out the week with a stellar 93-point showing at The Ridge on Wednesday, Sept. 10, easily outdistancing Lebanon’s 75 points, Plymouth’s 66 points and Sanborn’s 61 points.

Folan fired an even-par 36 to earn 27 points on the afternoon and earn medalist honors while Drew and McMath in the second and third spots in the lineup both finished with 23 points. Smith rounded out the scoring in the sixth spot with 20 points. Taylor had 15 points from the fifth spot, Byars had 14 points in the fourth spot and Kelley had 13 points from the seventh spot.

Gilford is slated to be at Derryfield Country Club today, Sept. 18, for a 2 p.m. match and will be at Pelham for a 3 p.m. match on Thursday, Sept. 25.

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

Ryan Folan putts on the eighth hole at The Ridge last Wednesday afternoon. He fired even par to earn medalist honors for the afternoon.

Brayden Drew putts for Gilford during last Wednesday’s match at The Ridge. He shared medalist honors earlier in the week in two different matches.



# ABA Monthly Member Highlight: S.C.A.R.E. NH

ALTON — Every month, the Alton Business Association sits down with one of our amazing ABA members to get to know them a little better! We ask each member the same questions, providing an opportunity for our members to highlight the important work that they do in our communities. If you're an ABA Member and would like to be considered for future Monthly Member Highlights, please reach out to us via email at [info@altonbusinessassociation.com](mailto:info@altonbusinessassociation.com)

Q: Tell us about your business?

A: For over 10 years, S.C.A.R.E. NH helps break down those financial barriers that prevent children and families from enjoying the magic & mayhem of Halloween. We collect new and gently-used costumes and accessories that are distributed to families across NH and now beyond...at no cost.

At S.C.A.R.E., we believe that every little ghost and goblin deserves to experience everything that is Halloween while wearing that perfect costume. However, we understand that something as silly and simple as a costume can be out of reach for some families. We want to help fix that!

Q: Tell us about yourself.

A: I grew up in small town Maine before moving to NH for college. I tried my hand at a few different jobs but I have always felt drawn to helping others which I learned during my time as a boy scout. I am married to a woman who is my biggest supporter when it comes to the charity. She is also the stepmother to my now adult son who moved out to Michigan. I enjoy the outdoors, reading fantasy novels, and creating things with my hands... which has been helpful in putting together the haunt (S.C.A.R.E. NH's haunted house) every year.

Q: How did your business get started?

A: I overheard a young girl of maybe four years old ask her

mother to buy a princess costume for Halloween. The mother responded that they could not afford it right now and it made me ponder how many families might be out there unable to buy costumes for Halloween. I remember back in the day that we sort of made our own. Anyway, my wife suggested we take the costumes my son had outgrown and donate them to someone who could make sure they get to those who need them. After six months of searching online, I found a website for a place in Lowell, Mass. that had not been touched in five years. That is when I decided to fill this gap myself and together with some friends, we started S.C.A.R.E. NH.

Q: What has your relationship with the Alton Business Association done for you or your business?

A: We have been introduced to several local businesses in the Lakes Region with big hearts wanting to help us succeed which really in turn makes the communities they call home a better place to live for everyone. S.C.A.R.E. NH has expanded, from 400 costumes in 2021 to 1303 in 2024, a 225.75 percent increase! Now we grow ever further thanks to our connection with the ABA and we look forward to becoming a bigger part of the association and the community as a whole.

We will be distributing costumes through Lakes Region Community Services this year.

Collection boxes can be found at the following businesses through the Lakes Region: Sweet Caroline Bakery, Alton; Bricks at the Lake, Wolfeboro; Climaxe Throwing, Belmont; Identity Coffee Co, Meredith; Midnight Moon Tattoo, Meredith.

Q: What do you value most about this community?

A: I grew up in a small rural community where everyone knew everyone else. There is a certain semblance of closeness that you can't get in a bigger city. And seeing a community that is about supporting each other reminds me of those days. We see such turmoil in the world today, so it is great to see neighbors helping and supporting neighbors... to know there are still those who care.

Q: Why did you want

to open your business in this community?

A: There are no borders in my world of magic & mayhem. You can go to any corner of the world, and you will find people who could use a bit of help. And I refuse to stand by watching that struggle when I have a way to help...hopefully.

Q: What business accomplishment are you most proud of?

A: To date - there are several. I mean I never really expected to get bigger than the greater Nashua area...and yet here we are. Officially providing costumes to families of at least 10 communities, including Lakes Region and Seacoast New Hampshire. We managed to cross state lines as we begin our trek into southern Maine. And we have started talking with a shelter in Lowell, Mass.

S.C.A.R.E. NH has grown beyond anything I had anticipated and the fact that more and more communities are reaching out to partner with us blows my mind.

Q: What does the future hold for you and your business?

A: As I previously stated, I didn't expect it to become such a beast. We have been talking about what is next for us.

We already have to get a bigger storage unit to hold all the costumes. We are looking to purchase the box truck to make transporting costumes easier. But that is all still local stuff, and we are wondering if opening chapters in other states might be our next big step.

Q: What is one piece of advice you wish you had as a new business member?

A: It really is about who you know. You can't be afraid to get out there and talk to people because each and every business owner had to start at the beginning. Find people you can talk with and learn from the mistakes they likely made as they started out.

Q: How can people who want to learn more about you or your business get in touch with you?

A: Please check out our website and Facebook, where it tells you more about who we are, ways you can get involved, and has various links for reaching out. Alternatively, they can send an email to [scar enh@gmail.com](mailto:scar enh@gmail.com) or call us directly at 603-247-0995. Information and schedule for our Haunted House can be found online as well.

Sincerely, Jesse, "Saving Halloween, Head "Haunt-cho" of One Costume at a Time." S.C.A.R.E.

## Alton Parks and Recreation Community Connection

Paint Night with Anne Morrell

Alton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a Paint Night with instructor Anne Morrell at the Pearson Road Community Center on Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 6-7:30 p.m. Scene is "Last Leaf" depicting a fall/winter scene under the evening moon. All supplies are included, \$25 for adults; \$15 for children 12 and under. View the painting example on the Alton Parks and Recreation Face Book Page or ask for a copy to be emailed to you. All abilities are welcome. Bring a friend or sign-up solo. Please RSVP with your name and contact information to [parksrec-asst@alton.nh.gov](mailto:parksrec-asst@alton.nh.gov) or call 603-875-0109. Register early as space is limited.

Line Dancing lessons

Line dancing lessons with Jane Corbett are held on Thursdays now through October 30 from 1:00p.m.-2:00p.m. for beginners, and 2:10-3:10 p.m. for experienced dancers at the Alton Bay Community Center. Adults of all ages and abilities are welcome, \$15/session. Register on site.

Pilates classes in Alton Bay —Tuesdays and Thursdays

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Pilates classes at the Alton Bay Community Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. with certified instructor Donna Lee. All level adults are welcome for a full body, low impact class that will improve muscle tone, flexibility, balance and strength. Pre-registration is \$10 per class or \$15 drop in. Bring a mat and water. For more information/register contact Donna at [breathepilates1@yahoo.com](mailto:breathepilates1@yahoo.com) or [parksrec@alton.nh.gov](mailto:parksrec@alton.nh.gov). Class will not be held Oct. 7, 9, 14, 16.

Weight training classes  
Mondays and Wednesdays — Starts Oct. 6

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Weight Training Classes on Mondays and Wednesdays, with AFAA Certified Instructor Kellie Troendle, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Gilman Library for adults of all ages and abilities starting October 6. Build strong muscles and bones, increase flexibility and develop better balance. Bring light hand weights, a mat and water. For more information, contact [parksrec@alton.nh.gov](mailto:parksrec@alton.nh.gov) or 603-875-0109. Try a class for free. \$20 per month/session or \$5 drop in.

Fusion Belly Dancing — Starts Oct. 7

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Fusion Belly Dancing Classes with Katie Hynes on Tuesdays starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Pearson Road Community Center for adults. Classes start on Oct. 7. Create a unique and evolving artform with traditional belly dance movements and influences from various other dance styles. No registration required. Just drop in \$15/class. For more information, contact [parksrec@alton.nh.gov](mailto:parksrec@alton.nh.gov) or 603-875-0109.

Guided Meditation

The Alton Parks and Recreation Department and Friends of the Gilman Library are sponsoring Guided Meditation with Karen Kharitonov on Thursdays, Sept. 25, Oct. 16 and Oct. 30 from 6:30-7:15 p.m. at the Gilman Library, Agnes Thompson Meeting Room. Meditation is helpful for reducing stress, and slowing our bodies down to breathe. The program is free, donations accepted to benefit local charities. For more information contact Alton Parks and Recreation at [parksrec@alton.nh.gov](mailto:parksrec@alton.nh.gov) or 603-875-0109.

Little Lake Explorers Playgroup

Join in this new playgroup led by Jennifer Lutz and Melissa Sciuto on Mondays at the Alton Bay Community Center from 9-11 a.m. This free program is open to all children newborn to seven years of age and their parents. Activities include free play, snack time, story time, music and more. Parents must stay and supervise their child during the program and are asked to bring a peanut free snack for their child. Please pre-register by the Wednesday before each meeting at [littlelakeexplorersalton@gmail.com](mailto:littlelakeexplorersalton@gmail.com). Drop ins are also welcome. For more information contact Alton Parks and Recreation at [parksrec@alton.nh.gov](mailto:parksrec@alton.nh.gov).

## Gilford Parks and Recreation news

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Adult Chair Yoga – Fall Session

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce that it will be partnering with Renee Cupples, E-RYT500 Certified Yoga Instructor, to offer a six-week Adult Chair Yoga Program this fall. The program will be held on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Gilford Youth Center, beginning Sept. 9 and continuing through Oct. 14. The cost of the program is \$25 for the full six-week session, or participants may attend for a \$5 daily drop-in fee. No yoga mats are needed for this program, as chairs will be provided.

Registration forms are available on the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department website at [www.gilfordrec.com](http://www.gilfordrec.com), in the Town Hall Lobby, and at the Parks and Recreation Department Office. For additional information, please contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at (603) 527-4722.

Fall Hiking Program

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a number of Tuesday Fall hikes for any adult(s) looking to get out and enjoy the fresh air! The weekly hikes will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 16, and continue through October. Our first hike location will be Ramblin Vewe Farm located in Gilford! Hike locations will be determined weekly based upon trail and weather conditions. We will meet at the Gilford Town Hall at 9:30 a.m. to register and depart for our destination. Also, please bring water and a snack if you wish for each hike. Remember to wear proper footwear and dress according to the weather. Please RSVP to the Gilford Parks and Recreation office (603)-527-4722 at least one day in advance of each trip. This allows us to know how many people to anticipate and be able to notify participants of any cancellations or last-minute changes due to weather.

Sept. 22 (Monday) – Cooking Demonstration with Chef Dan and Lunch

Our very own special in-house chef, Dan Barnhart, will dazzle and dazzle us with a demonstration of multi-use cooking of a pork loin – you won't want to miss it! We will meet at the Gilford Community Church, Fellowship Hall at 11 a.m. to enjoy the demonstration – then we will be serving up a lunch of a pork loin chop with lemon arugula, seasoned fresh green beans, and a Chef's Choice dessert. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and water will also be available. The cost for the program will be \$11. Please be sure to RSVP no later than Wednesday, Sept. 17.

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# Gunstock prepares for winter with more improvements

GILFORD — As summer turns to autumn, Gunstock Mountain Resort's operations team has its sights set on improvements for the winter of 2025/2026, and beyond.

Gunstock is planning to invest heavily in resort upgrades over the

next few years. More than \$3 million is earmarked for lifts, \$2.5 million for snowmaking and grooming equipment, and more than \$4 million for general infrastructure improvements that include electrical systems.

Refurbishing the Panorama quad lift, anticipated to be a two-year process, began in the spring with upgrades to key components starting with the communication lines that transfer critical safety information between operators at the terminals and at every tower along the line. The computerized chair-spacing system that resulted in a disruption in lift service last spring has been replaced. These upgrades are critical elements of a larger investment in the full renovation of the Panorama lift. The lift will include further enhancements to include new lift structures to house lift components, and shelter lift atten-

dants at the base and summit.

The haul rope has been replaced on the Ramrod lift. Gunstock's Pistol lift gear box was newly upgraded for the season ahead. Tiger, Pistol, and Ramrod lift drive replacements are scheduled to be completed when Gunstock opens for the season in early December. In addition, resort electrical systems have been inspected and upgraded as needed to ensure reliability.

Snowmaking improvements for this winter include the installation of 24 new energy-efficient HKD Impulse tower guns that provide high production output of quality snow through a wide range of temperatures, and Klik hydrants that improve snowmaking utility and efficiency. When it comes to managing the snow surface, Gunstock will reinforce its reputation for superlative conditions with the help of

two new grooming machines – one equipped with a winch for managing the snow on Gunstock's steepest terrain.

Winter enthusiasts who prefer to earn their turns will be happy to learn that Gunstock is extending uphill access hours this winter and has joined Uphill New England, a local non-profit organization that has created the first ever multi-mountain

pass, building a community of engaged, responsible, and empowered uphill enthusiasts. In addition to offering Gunstock-only uphill-access season passes, the resort has joined 21 resorts to offer a multi-mountain uphill season pass.

More information about Gunstock's ongoing improvements can be found at [gunstock.com](http://gunstock.com).

## Alton Masons hosting monthly breakfast buffet Sunday

ALTON — The Masons of Winnipisaukee Lodge in Alton will hold their monthly Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, Sept. 21, starting at 7:30 a.m., open to the public, at the Lodge on Route 28, a quarter mile south of the Alton Circle.

With fruit, biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, omelets, bacon and sausage, home fries, beans, pancakes, French toast, coffee and juice being served, it is a perfect time for family and friends to sit down and enjoy an all you can eat breakfast buffet. The cost is now \$15. The Masons serve breakfast between 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. (New Hours) They hope to see you there (always on the third Sunday of the month). For more information about the breakfasts or Winnipisaukee Lodge, please contact David Snyder at 603-717-1713.

## Alton Garden Club meets Sept. 23

ALTON — The Alton Garden Club will meet next on Tuesday, Sept. 23. This will be an outdoor get-together hosted by a member, with a rain date of Thursday, Sept. 25.

During her presentation, Garden Club member Heidi MacPhee will focus on finding different types of vintage containers that are economical and make for unique and beautiful container gardens. Our meeting will start promptly at 1:30 with Heidi's presentation. This is sure to be a fun event. If you are a non-member and interested in attending, just call Peggy McKinney at 603-776-6032 for further information. Guests are always welcome.



COURTESY

Come and celebrate the fall at the Lakes Region Fall Craft Fair on Sept. 20 & 21 at the Tanger Outlets, Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.! There will be a vast array of beautiful arts & crafts including various jewelry styles, seasonal crafts and amazing Halloween headbands, surveillance birdhouses, beautiful wooden American flags, 3D art, handsome custom leather belts/bells and totes, laser creations, NH maple syrups, chainsaw sculpted artistic creations & demos by Elise, hand poured soy candles, handmade soaps & skincare products, gourmet food items including scones/honey/hot sauce/cookies/breads/whoopie pies/scones etc., children & adult books with authors, luminaries, artistic apparel, primitive and country decor, sublimated tumblers, CBD products, fresh produce & homemade pastries, and lots more!!! Friendly, leashed dogs welcome! Food! Free admission! Rain or shine under Canopies! For more information, call Joyce at (603) 387-1510. Presented by [joycescraftshows.com](http://joycescraftshows.com). See you there!

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**The Governor Wentworth Continuing Education Program** is excited to offer a range of engaging classes for the community. These courses will be held at the Kingswood Regional High School Complex, unless otherwise specified. The Fall 2025 class schedule is available on the GWRSD website at [GWRSD.gov](http://GWRSD.gov). Printed flyers are also available at local town offices, libraries, and through our community partners. Alternatively, we can send you a flyer by email at [adulteducation@sau49nh.gov](mailto:adulteducation@sau49nh.gov) (please note our new email address) or by calling KRHS at 603-569-2055 ext. 1007 for more information. **Registration is needed for all classes**, and some classes have limited seating, so be sure to register early, either online or by mail.

**Fall 2025 Course Offerings:**

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## After the loss of Kimball Castle, preserving our history matters more than ever

The fire that tore through Kimball Castle in Gilford in the early morning hours of Aug. 27 was more than the destruction of a long-empty building. It was the loss of a landmark that stood as a link to our past, a visible reminder of the days when Benjamin Kimball built on Locke's Hill and left a mark on the Lakes Region's landscape.

For years, the castle has been off-limits, fenced and fragile, its future uncertain. Still, its presence mattered. Travelers on Route 11 knew to glance up at the ruins on the hill. Residents could point it out to visiting friends and say, "That's ours." And even in decay, the building inspired curiosity and a sense of local pride.

Now, with the walls collapsed and the site unsafe, the question becomes how to honor what remains. The castle is gone, but our duty to local history is not. Gilford Fire Chief Stephen Carrier was right to call it sad—this was not only a structure consumed by flames, but part of our shared heritage.

Our region is fortunate to have other historic treasures, from barns and mills to public buildings and family homesteads. Yet many of these sites face the same risks: deferred maintenance, encroaching development, and sometimes neglect born of the simple fact that budgets are tight. Waiting until history is reduced to ashes is no way to manage our legacy.

Preservation does not mean keeping every building exactly as it once was. Sometimes it means adaptive reuse, as we've seen in mills turned into museums or schools turned into community centers. Sometimes it means recording, documenting, and educating when physical rescue is not possible. But always, it requires foresight and a community willing to take responsibility before loss becomes inevitable.

The fire at Kimball Castle should push us to look closer at what remains across our corner of the Lakes Region. Which structures deserve protection? What partnerships—between towns, land trusts, businesses, and private owners—can make that protection possible? And how can we balance fiscal caution with the understanding that once history is gone, it is gone forever?

Kimball Castle is no longer a place for hikers to glimpse on the horizon, but it can still be a catalyst. If its destruction reminds us to better care for the stories written in wood, stone, and brick across our communities, then something lasting can rise from the loss.

### Letter submission policy

Letters to the Editor must include the author's name, address, and a daytime phone number for purposes of verification in order to be considered for publication. Only the author's name and the town in which they reside will be published. Letters submitted without all of the required information will not be accepted.

It is the sole prerogative of the Editor to determine whether a submission satisfies our requirements and decency standards, and any submission may be rejected at any time for any reason he or she might deem appropriate.



COURTESY

### Garden fresh

The New Durham Farmers' Market will continue to provide a wide variety of produce, food, and items each Saturday through Oct. 11 from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Old Depot Road, just off of Route 11. Here, a harvest of pumpkins and just picked tomatoes and peppers from Tavern Hill Farm in New Durham entices market goers.

## LETTERS FROM EDWIN

### Stupid

I've been sitting here on the bench at my mechanics shop while my brakes are getting worked on. I've been trying to find out if and when I wrote about something that's been bugging me for a couple of years that I believe I have mentioned, but can't seem to find it using the search function. There's just too many places to look. So pardon me if you've already read something.

A friend is always sending me cute little things to watch on my phone. Sometimes of people doing stupid things. Well, I don't need to do anything more to see stupid than drive around the roads around here.

I may have told you about the shed that I noticed a couple years ago that was built on the side of a hill so that it's sitting at an angle. Not plumb, so even if they decide to level the floor, the studs will probably be so warped that they'll have a challenge installing sheathing, doors and windows. A couple years later, I still see it sitting there in their back yard.

Everybody keeps building houses

around here. I know that it may be anti-immigration, but the more houses that there are in town, the higher taxes will be. You may think that doesn't make sense, but once you figure in the cost of schooling all the kids, as there will always be a certain percentage of houses housing kids, that expense always goes up. So therefore, so do your taxes. So I'm cool with slowing growth any way we can.

Now all the easy places to build on usually disappear first, then that leaves the challenging ones, which is where we are now. Houses get built on high or low places accessed by suicide driveways.

Just the other day, as I was driving off to work, I was heading down the street nice and slowly, and a car was just backed out from its garage that was barely a cars length from the street. Now I have a thing about people backing out into streets in the first place, and watch cautiously for such occasions. The driver, seeing me, stopped to let me go by. As I drove passed, him I noticed

in the corner of my eye that his electric garage door was closing down upon his hood. Oops.

Every time I see people running or walking in the road with their backs to the traffic, I get the feeling that I should yell at them to face the traffic. At least they'll be able to see what may be about to hit them and try to avoid it. I want to get bumper stickers that say that. Do they make them? I don't usually degrade my vehicles with such senseless distractions, but for this I think I would make an exception.

It's really dangerous. People could get hurt. Killed even. They used to teach us such things in school. Practical things about safety that you may never think of. You know, life skills kind of stuff. Such things have undoubtedly been replaced with all the sexuality garbage that they keep feeding the kids.

Driving home the other night, at dusk, the worst time of day to be on the road, headlights don't work yet, and visibility is marginal. I was driving up a NH highway

that made a tight bend around a curve going up a little hill. It was still summer so there was a fair amount of traffic. As I came to the curve, I saw a family of four was walking on the right side of the road with their backs to the traffic. I squeezed as far left as I could with there being opposing traffic to make as much space as possible.

When I was probably ten feet from them, the boy (he was dressed like a boy) who was probably five, decides to move up in the line by looping out into the traffic. It was time to be a honk your horn loud and obnoxious jerky driver. Walk facing the traffic! Don't you know that there is a sidewalk on the other side of the road?

Some people just don't have much sense. It's certainly not common anymore. Their son could have been hurt real badly, or worse, and unfortunately, it would have been the driver's fault.

My brakes are just about done. Perfect timing.

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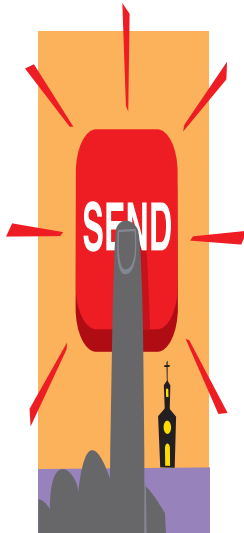
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# Going out of Town

## From Old Home to Old Home: A sunny Saturday in Portsmouth



Looking out at the Portsmouth Tugboats on an early Saturday evening.

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A view of the Piscataqua River and the Memorial Bridge from Prescott Park.

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Matt Wilson's Good Trouble takes the stage at the Seacoast Jazz Festival.

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A stop at Tendercrop Farm in Dover.

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The concept of Old Home Day is one I've been familiar with while working this job, but I've always thought it is a lovely concept. From the beginning, it's been a way to bring people who've lived in a community back home for a day. I've mostly lived in cities especially a few on the Seacoast when I was a kid, the kinds of places that have community events but nor a formal Old Home Day. Right after this year's Gilford Old Home Day I made a little excursion to the Seacoast that kind of felt like my own Old Home Day in a way but in a different form.

Gilford Old Home Day is always a fun time, but it's usually one of the more physically demanding assignments I have all year. It usually involves getting up early, walking up and down Belknap Mountain Road more times than I can count, and I can't remember a year when it wasn't at least 80 degrees or sometimes hotter. It's a great workout, but usually by 2 p.m., I have enough notes and photos for two stories. At this time, I usually head right home with enough energy for a shower and some quality time with my couch. This year, however, my energy level was a lot higher than usual and the thought of just going home didn't have that much appeal. I was already on the Route 11 corridor anyway I figured it was a good day for a run to the Seacoast.

As I traveled down the Spaulding Turnpike, I realized this was the earliest in the day I had been in this area in a long time. Lately, I've been going down in early evening to get some time at the Fox Run Mall and neighboring stores and then take a walk around downtown Portsmouth. I realized I was actually going to be in the area at a time when most everything was open.

My first stop was Tendercrop Farm in Dover, just a few miles from the General Sullivan Bridge. Tendercrop Farm is a farmstand located at

the former Tuttle Farm which has been standing since around 1780 and is the oldest farm building in the city of Dover. I remember my parents taking me here when I was a kid. At one point I stood in the greenhouse and vividly recalled being in that exact same spot when I was five years old. Inside the main store it was so hard to just pick a few goodies to walk away with. I walked away with a bag of produce including graffiti eggplant, Romanesco, rainbow potatoes, and of course a big slice of S'mores cake.

After debating what my next stop would be, I decided to go right to downtown Portsmouth and take advantage of finally seeing this place in daylight after too long.

As expected, downtown Portsmouth was bustling on a warm Saturday afternoon. I found a parking spot at the High/Hanover Garage and was walking out on Market Square and joining the crowds.

By this point, it had been a few hours since having that slice of lovely apple pie with ice cream at the Gilford Public Library and I figured it was a good time for lunch/dinner/whatever. After weighing the many kore dining options I had at this earlier hour, I decided on the French-style café Maison Navarre. I have been to this place a few times, but only recently discovered they have

a full menu. I ordered a crepe called "L'Alpine" with goat cheese and bacon with a side salad and washed it down with an Americano. It felt so nice to sit in a little dining room and people watch while scarfing down a delicious crepe and coffee.

After finishing, I went next door to Diversions Puzzles & Games and perused their great selection of puzzles and roleplaying game paraphernalia. I got a few some 100-piece puzzles depicting scenes around Portsmouth the last time I was here. This time I found another 100-piece puzzle showing a map of the New York subway system on one side and a MetroCard on the other. I have a similar puzzle set from the MBTA so they might get mounted side by side.

I decided it was the perfect time to head to Prescott Park. I know the park isn't that far from Market Square, but I usually do a loop around State Street before walking in the direction of the Piscataqua. I popped in and out of a few small shops on State Street and got some info on some fun events happening in the area. I then overheard one of the shopkeepers talking to a customer about a jazz festival and noticed a lot of people walking to Prescott Park with lawn chairs. I love that park anyway but I knew there was some more fun stuff happening.

There was in fact a jazz festival going on through the afternoon as part of the Prescott Park Arts Festival.

The Prescott Park Arts Festival is a nonprofit organization that brings music, theater, and other kind of events to Prescott Park especially over the summer. On this exact day I had arrived in time for the 42nd annual Seacoast Jazz Festival. I've been getting more into jazz music lately, so this was a great opportunity to experience some new bands and great music. I wished I had brought a folding chair, but I was content to find a spot of granite curb to park on.

I got there as Matt Wilson's Good Trouble took the stage and let myself get lost in the drums, piano, saxophone, clarinet, and vocals. I played clarinet in school and have been trying to get back into it, this experience might have given me an extra push in that direction. I also admired what Wilson did on the drums with some unique sounds created with drumstick

brushes. At one point he unscrewed the snare drum from his kit and sang into the drumhead, probably the most unique use of it I've seen.

After a few songs my body wasn't happy with sitting on a granite slab, so I got up and walked around the park. This has always been a peaceful place for me right by the river and the addition of jazz music and applause made it even more special. I spent some time with the lovely music and the salty air, then decided to head back to Market Square. All the activity that day was now starting to make me want that trip home.

I had to stop by Izzy's Frozen Yogurt and Ice Cream on Bow Street. I got a big scoop of peppermint cookie ice cream and walked down the stone steps to the little park off Ceres Street right by the famous tugboats. The big red tugboats now owned by Moran Towing are a famous sight in Portsmouth and I try to come down here every time I'm downtown.

The pier was busy with people at the neighboring restaurants and milling in and out of the park. Humans and dogs weren't the only ones here at that time: the moment I walked in the park I saw a woman with a large rabbit on a little harness. The big, gray bunny was laying on a bench enjoying the warm weather and not minding all the people coming up to ask questions and give pets. From what I gathered from just sitting and listening, this bunny was a mix of different breeds that was found on Craigslist under a meat listing. His mom had rescued rabbits before and got him as a companion. I had to ask to pet the bunny too and gave some little scratches on top of his head.

I finished my ice cream and walked back to the parking garage, feeling sweaty and tired from all the day's activities but content. Maybe this was a version of Old Home Day for me in my old haunts, or maybe it was just a lovely Saturday in an amazing city.



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# Gilman Library updates

ALTON — The Top Ten popular fiction books circulating at the Gilman Library right now are:

- “My Friends” / Fredrik Backman
- “Battle Mountain” / C.J. Box

and Think Twice” / Harlan Coben

- “The waiting” / Michael Connelly
- “Broken Country” / Clare Leslie Hall
- “Den of Iniquity” / J.A. Jance
- Both “Alex Cross

/ James Patterson

- “The House Across the Lake” / Riley Sager

You can access the entire collection list and even reserve items by accessing the online catalog through the website, [gilmanlibrary.org](http://gilmanlibrary.org), or

at 100 Main St., Alton. You’ll find a pleasantly inviting place to relax and read, or play a game, or put a puzzle together. Sometimes there is even live music.

Danny K. Kila has been playing his Hawaiian lap steel guitar at the Gilman Library every Thursday, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., since July 3. His last day to play before returning to Hawaii will be Thursday, Sept. 18.

More items have been added to the Outdoor Family Movie Raffle, NOW valued at over \$400. So far, 50 tickets have already been sold for this raffle. One lucky winner will be drawn after the 100th ticket is sold. Hurry in to get your tickets now. Raffle #1 is the Outdoor Movie Night Raffle, with more than thirty items, including two zero gravity chairs, an indoor/outdoor movie screen and a projector. Tickets cost \$5 (five dollars) each. Raf-

fle # 2 is the Blueberry Cozy Basket, filled with six items, including a beautifully hand-crafted afghan and shawl, The Berry Pickers book by Amanda Peters, with tea and jam, and a scented candle. Tickets sell for \$3. (three dollars) apiece. The winner will be chosen after the 100th ticket is sold. Raffle #3 is the Celebrating Nature Mini-Basket. Tickets are 50 cents. This prize includes the book “Seeing

George” by Cassandra Austin, a block tech succulent, flower socks, and an Acadia National Park micro-puzzle. The lucky winner will be picked after all 100 tickets sell. All proceeds go directly to The Friends of the Gilman Library, a non-profit organization that supports the mission of the Gilman Library and is always seeking out new friends to join in their endeavors. See you at the library.

## Gilford Public Library Classes & Special Events Sept. 18 – Sept. 25

• “Both Nobody’s Fool  
**Thursday, Sept. 18**  
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.  
Boost Your Brain and Memory, 1-3 p.m.  
French Club, 4-5 p.m.  
Book Discussion:  
Queen of Dirt Island, 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
This month’s book is “The Queen of Dirt Island” by Donal Ryan. Led by Betty; books are available at the front desk.

**Friday, Sept. 19**  
Senior Sculpt, 9-10 a.m.  
Harvesting Hope: A New England Chair Yoga Celebration of Fall, 10-11 a.m.  
Bridge, 10 a.m.-noon  
Preschool Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
Hand & Foot, noon to 2:30 p.m.  
Happy Crafters, 1:30-2:30 p.m.  
Advanced Conversational German, 2:30-3:30 p.m.  
Lower Intermediate Line Dancing, 4-5 p.m.  
Beginner Line Dancing, 5:15-6:15 p.m.

**Saturday, Sept. 20**  
Beginner Line Dancing, 10-11 a.m.

Must Die” and “25 Alive”  
**Monday, Sept. 22**  
Fun and Fitness With Joyce, 9-10 a.m.  
Baby Storytime, 10-10:30 a.m.  
Mahjong, noon to 3 p.m.

**Tuesday, Sept. 23**  
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.  
Senior Sculpt, 10-11 a.m.  
Bridge, 10 a.m.-noon  
Preschool Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
Adult Fall Craft: Wooden Bead Pumpkin, 11 a.m.-noon  
Are you ready to decorate for fall? Come to craft day and make a Wood Bead Pumpkin. It will look great as part of an autumn or Thanksgiving table centerpiece or on its own in a fall display.  
Dungeons and Dragons, 3-4:30 p.m.  
Do you like wizards? Do you like wizards who fight dragons and sail the seas and spelunk the vast-est of caverns? If you said yes to any of these, you will like our Dungeons and Dragons group! Starting Sept. 9, DND will be held every other Tuesday 3-4:30 p.m. in the

spend a while browsing Teen Room. Costumes are not mandatory but are appreciated, flaming swords and cursed battle axes are prohibited.  
Intermediate Line Dancing, 4-5 p.m.

**Wednesday, Sept. 24**  
Senior Stretch Yogaah!, 9-10 a.m.  
Card Games, 10 a.m.-noon  
Check out an Expert, 10 a.m.-noon  
Yogapalooza, 10:30-11:15 a.m.  
Paint Group, 1-3 p.m.  
Early Release: Mario Kart Party, 1-4:30 p.m.

Do you frequently boast to your friends you can beat them in Mario Kart? Swing down to the Teen Room and prove it! Eat some pizza, hang out and play a couple rounds! Early Release: Calming Pencil Box Kit, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Decorate your own calming pencil box kit to bring to school.

**Thursday, Sept. 25**  
Geri Fit, 9-10 a.m.  
Boost Your Brain and Memory, 1-3 p.m.  
French Club, 4-5 p.m.

vices Instructor I, NFPA Certified Plans Examiner, ICC Certified Residential Building Inspector, and Fire Inspector I and II.  
With public safety needs for firefighting, emergency management and EMT services as its critical criteria in the selection process, the selectmen saw all of those elements represented in Wilder, along with strong people skills and effective personnel management.  
According to the Town Web site, the BOS also based its decision of hiring Wilder partially

due to his multiple years as a senior level fire department administrator, and his command experience, budgeting skills, and grant writing abilities.  
The BOS indicated he also demonstrated the best understanding of current morale within the Town fire department. He has already suggested strategies to address that issue, as well as public confidence in the department.  
Following a swearing-in ceremony, Wilder was expected to take up his new duties on Sept. 15.

## Gilford Public Library Top Ten requests (plus two)

1. “Billion Dollar Ransom” by James Patterson
2. “The Correspondent” by Virginia Evans
3. “James” by Percival Everett
4. “The Frozen River” by Ariel Lawhon
5. “The River is Waiting” by Wally Lamb
6. “Apostle’s Cove” by William Kent Krueger
7. “The Hamptons Lawyer” by James Patterson
8. “The Nantucket Restaurant” by Pamela M. Kelley
9. “My Friends” by Fredrik Backman
10. “Vera, or Faith” by Gary Shteyngart
11. “All the Colors of the Dark” by Chris Whitaker
12. “The Irish Girl” by Ashley E. Sweeney

## Laconia’s Joseph DiPietro named to College of the Holy Cross Dean’s List

WORCESTER, Mass. — Joseph DiPietro of Laconia was named to the College of the Holy Cross Spring 2025 Dean’s List.

A member of the Class of 2026, DiPietro was named to the Dean’s List for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2024-25 academic year.

## Old Home Day Committee hosting Oktoberfest Dinner

GILFORD — The Gilford Old Home Day Committee will be hosting an Oktoberfest Dinner on Saturday, Oct. 4 at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Gilford Community Church. The evening will feature a buffet dinner, music, and dancing. Proceeds from the dinner will help offset expenses for the Gilford Old Home Day celebration.

This will be a sit-down only event (no To-Go meals available). Tickets are \$15/person, and are available for purchase at the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department Office

The delicious meal will be prepared by Dan Barnhart of The Plate Lunch, and will include Jägerschnitzel (a Schnitzel breaded pork served with a dark and creamy mushroom gravy), Beer Bratwurst, Sauerkraut, Kartoffelsalat (German potato salad), sourdough soft pretzels, and a dessert of the chef’s choice.

For more information, contact the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department at 603-527-4722.

To qualify, students must pass four or more letter-graded courses with no failing grades during the semester and earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

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During the hiring process, review of several submitted resumes by an oral board resulted in three top candidates. Following interviews with those individuals, the Board of Selectmen (BOS) chose Wilder. He holds an Advanced EMT certification, Level III Fire certifications, and a New Hampshire Motor Vehicle CDL-B license, and is an NFPA Certified Fire Protection Specialist, Firefighter I and II, Fire and Emergency Ser-

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# Signs it's time to replace gutters



Home improvement projects run the gamut from complex undertakings like room additions to simpler renovations like a new front door. Some home renovations excite homeowners more than others, but all improvements are a way to make a home safer, more comfortable and/or more functional.

A gutter replacement might not inspire the same level of excitement as a room addition or an overhaul of an outdoor living space, but new gutters can help to prevent roof damage and make properties safer by ensuring rain water is directed away from walkways. Homeowners who suspect it might be time for a gutter replacement can look for these signs of fading gutters.

• Cracks or splits: Cracks or splits at the seams of the gutters where two pieces connect is a telltale sign they need to be replaced. Cracks or splits are can slowly lead to separation of gutter pieces, which will lead to leaks. But not all cracks or splits are found at the seams. In fact, some homes feature seamless gutters, which also can crack or split. Regardless of where they're found, cracks or splits are a warning signs of fading gutters.

• Rust: Rust is rarely a good sign whether you're looking at a vehicle or even garden tools. Rust also is a bad sign in relation to gutters. Gutters are painted, and not only for aesthetic purposes. Paint on gutter also serves to protect them from water. When paint begins to flake, gutters will begin to rust and may even produce noticeable rust flakes on the ground below. Rust on gutters and rust flakes beneath them are indicative of gutters that

need to be replaced.

• Gutters pulling away from the home: Gutters that appear to be pulling away from the home is a sign that they need to be replaced. Gutters are fastened to a home during installation, which ensures they can withstand rain and water. Over time, those fasteners can wear down, ultimately leading to gutters that appear to be pulling away from the home. Though gutters can be refastened, eventually they will need to be replaced.

• Pooling water: Pooling water in a gutter may just be a sign that gutters need to be cleaned. However, pooling water on the ground directly beneath gutters indicates they're not effectively directing water away from

the home.

• Water damage inside: A home's interior might not be the first place homeowners look when inspecting for damaged gutters, but a flooded basement or crawl space could indicate a gutter problem. Gutters and downspouts are designed to direct water away from a home when functioning properly. When that isn't happening, water can pool beneath the foundation, leading to pooling water and other water damage in basements and crawl spaces.

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### CLUES ACROSS

1. Carved into

7. \_\_\_ Rogers, cowboy

10. Unruly locale

12. Edible mushroom

13. Influential noblemen

14. Rattling breaths

15. David \_\_\_ George, Brit. P.M.

16. Musician Clapton

17. Small Eurasian deer

18. Invests in little enterprises

19. Perimeter

21. Chicago ballplayer

22. Animal body part

27. It's everywhere these days

28. Fictional ad exec

33. Mr. T character Baracus

34. Against the current

36. Subway rodent

37. Armor plate

38. Hair on the head

39. Strong insect

40. Swollen lymph node

41. A way to lessen

44. Walter White poison

45. Sleeveless garment

48. Long accompanied song

49. Without features

50. Yankee great Mattingly

51. Removes from record

### CLUES DOWN

1. Root of taro plant

2. Those ones

3. Appliances have one

4. A way to sing

5. Midway between east and southeast

6. Animal dwelling

7. An object that as survived from the past

8. Oil cartel

9. Affirmative

10. Foul smell

11. Brisk tempo

12. S. American indigenous person

14. Restored

17. Official

18. Skin lesions

20. Electroencephalograph

23. Middle Eastern country

24. Extremely angry

25. Title used before a woman's name

26. British thermal unit

29. By the way (abbr.)

30. Anger

31. Nullifies

32. Ones who acquire

35. Time zone

36. Arabic name

38. Protein in mucus

40. Ballpoint pen

41. Mimics

42. Humans have a lot of it

43. Expressions of good wishes

44. Cool!

45. One point east of due south

46. City of Angels football team (abbr.)

47. A way to save for retirement

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To see the area, go

to [www.gundstock.com/](http://www.gundstock.com/) community and select the Belknap County Conservation District, then Boardwalk or on YouTube search Gundstock Boardwalk. Tasks include: priming and painting the bumper for the visually impaired, applying protection to the oak beams, removing invasive weeds, removing moss and lichen from boardwalk and plant remnants from between the boards and along the edging, and minor carpentry. The

pollinator gardens need weeding. Under 18 must have a parent or guardian with them. Community Service Certificates are available. Just follow the volunteer poster board signs. To visit any time, walk a quarter mile from the parking lot just off Route 11A (on right). For more information, call the Belknap County Conservation District office at 603-527-5880 or Jan, volunteer, at 603-707-9760.

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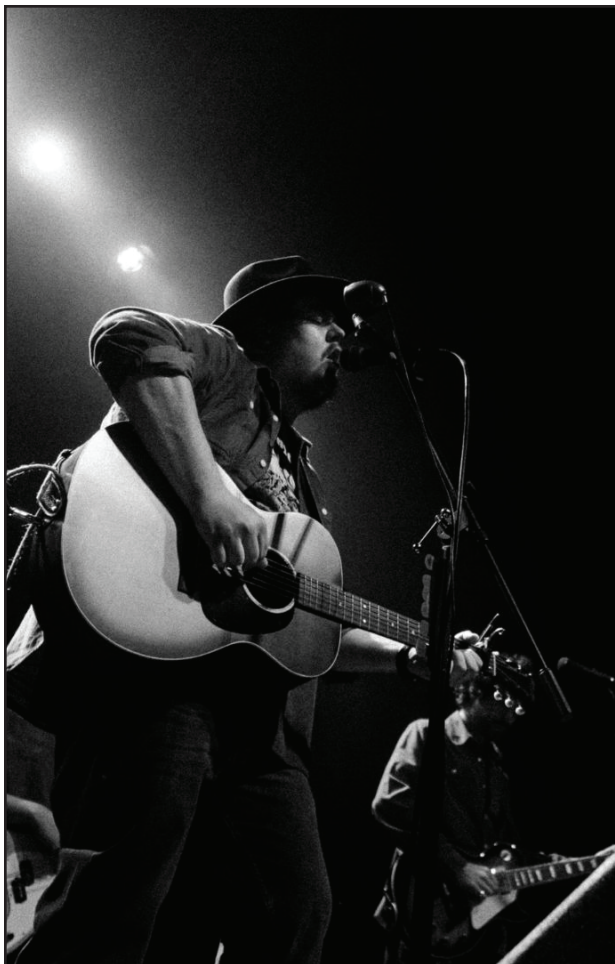
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# Next Songwriter Round-Up set for Sept. 24



MEREDITH — The partnership between Katie Dobbins Music (Gilford) and Hermit Woods Winery & Eatery (Meredith) which has brought the monthly music series Songwriter Round-Up to the Lakes Region is set to deliver another great show at the end of this month. Held in the region's premier listening room, The Loft, located on the second floor of the Winery, this series has been giving audience members a chance to experience the original music of talented singer-songwriters from the New England area and beyond. At each show three artists share their songs and stories in a unique in-the-round style performance. Held on the last Wednesday

of each month, this intimate series features two different songwriters each month alongside host performer Katie Dobbins.

The series has been steadily gaining in popularity with a growing number of area residents and visitors attending to experience the show "magic" that each new lineup creates. Winery co-founder and owner Bob Manley is thrilled to have his establishment be home to the monthly Songwriter Round-Up Series.

Remarking on the success of the series, Manley reaffirms the valued partnership the Winery has developed with Katie Dobbins Music, express-

ing, "Working alongside Katie Dobbins and her Songwriter Round-Up Series has been an absolute delight. Katie brings an engaging presence to the stage, effortlessly connecting with our audiences and showcasing incredible talent with each performance."

The next Songwriter Round-Up show takes place on Wednesday, Sept. 24, featuring the Lakes Region's own Katie Dobbins, a singer-songwriter who delivers her artistry with beautiful vocal tones wrapped in guitar and piano melodies, Troy Millette, a pop-folk-rock-Americana artist from Vermont who delivers songs about the human experience in ways that

have moved audiences throughout the northeast, and Cat Wolf, a singer-songwriter from the north country of New Hampshire who captures the joy and intimacies of life through her heart-warming lyrics supported by her expressive guitar playing. All of these artists bring their own unique life-lyrics, melodies, and styles to the stage. This promises to be an evening of great original music and dynamic entertainment that you won't want to miss. Learn more about each of these artists on the Hermit Woods Winery Web site.

A complimentary wine tasting will begin at 5:30 p.m., the Loft opens at 6 p.m. for seat-

ing & dinner orders, and music starts at 7 p.m. Patrons can further enhance their evening by selecting from a menu of tasty items available from Chef Kaylon

Sweet of Sweet Mercy's Kitchen. Tickets can be purchased in advance at hermitwoodswinery.com/the-loft or in-person at the Winery.

## Wright Museum hosting lecture on "The Four Chaplains"

WOLFEBORO — On Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 7 p.m., the Wright Museum will welcome Rev. David Lindsay. This is the final program of the Wright Museum's 2025 Education Series.

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Doors open at 6:00 p.m., the program be-

gins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 23 at the Wright Museum's DuQuoin Education Center, 77 Center St. in Wolfboro. Admission is \$8 for members and \$12 for non-members. Pre-paid reservations are strongly encouraged and can be made online at <https://wrightmuseum.org/lecture-series> or by calling 603-569-1212.

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Alton	Prospect Mountain Road	N/A	\$110,000	Patricia T. Rogers RET	Richard L. and Nicole A. Dolan
Alton	Route 28	N/A	\$196,000	Julia Ellen Waterman Estate and David W. Bertoncini	John S. Daskey
Barnstead	126 N. Shore Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$449,933	Christopher M. and McKenzie Swiger	Jean Petty
Barnstead	122 Suncook Valley Rd.	Mixed Use (Commercial/Other)	\$375,000	William F. and Dale W. Publicover	Zoyes Boathouse LLC
Barnstead	N/A	N/A	\$515,000	Thomas Boyd Estate and Joann Boyd	Philip A. Romano and Laura Tumenas
Barnstead	N/A (Lot 11-14)	N/A	\$557,533	John C. and Michelle J. Kolias	Steven A. Brinstock and Lorilei A. Whitsit
Barnstead	N/A (Lot 524)	N/A	\$449,933	Christopher M. and McKenzie E. Swiger	Jean Petty
Gilford	17 Partridge Lane	Farm/Forest	\$1,840,000	Needle Eye RET and Sylvia A. McCarthy	Liya Eljvertinya and Christopher R. Miller
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Gilmanton	628 Province Rd.	N/A	\$84,000	Province Road Partners LLC	D & M Homes LLC
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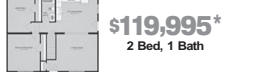


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# SPORTS

## Nunez penalty kick sends Golden Eagles past Bears



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Newfound's Mason Brown and Gilford's Kael Weber battle for position during action last Friday afternoon.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

GILFORD — The Gilford and Newfound soccer boys battled back and forth for 80 minutes on Friday, Sept. 12, with the host Golden Eagles scoring on a penalty kick in the first half and holding on for the 1-0 win.

Newfound had an early corner, which was cleared by Christien Nunez for Gilford. The Golden Eagles also got a nice defensive stop from Easton St. Cyr and Owen Wolpin went in the other way, with Newfound's Ricardo Rivera-Soto making a nice defensive stop. Aaron Bastarache had a cross for the Bears that was cleared out and St. Cyr had a shot denied by Newfound keeper Daniel Sherkanowski.

Mason Brown had a run in for the Bears that was stopped by Gilford's Kael Weber and Nunez

found Joey Estrada for a chance that Sherkanowski stopped. Ryder Sargent sent a shot wide for the Bears and teammate Jacob Dumont had a good clear. Bastarache made a run for the Bears that was stopped by Brody Mosher and Weber also had a good clear.

Gilford had a cross that was poked wide by Nunez and Jayden Belyea had a cross at the other end that Gilford goalie Gavin Forest was able to grab. Rivera-Soto made a good defensive stop and Sherkanowski also made a stop on a Gilford chance. Chase Cazeault just missed connecting with Bastarache for the Bears and Jevan Beale sent a shot over the top of the net at the other end.

Belyea just missed connecting with Bastarache and Gilford's Ben Coapland just missed connecting with Carter

Bruneau and Rivera-Soto made a good defensive stop. Nunez had a bid denied by Sherkanowski and Sargent and Brown both had chances go over the top of the net for the Bears. Brady Allesandro had a direct kick for Gilford that was cleared out.

The Golden Eagles were awarded a penalty kick with 14:56 to go in the first half, with Nunez stepping up and delivering the kick for the 1-0 lead. Nunez had a couple more bids, including one headed over the top of the net while Sargent had a shot denied by Forest at the other end of the field. Brown sent a nice cross to Bastarache and then Rivera-Soto, Connor Harker and Sargent all had good clears for the Bears.

St. Cyr had a bid denied by Sherkanowski and Beale had a nice clear for the Golden Eagles. Zach North had a



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Goalie Gavin Forest secures the ball during his team's game with Newfound last week.

direct kick for the Bears that Beale cleared out and Nunez had a late chance that Sherkanowski stopped and the game went to the half with the Golden Eagles up 1-0.

Late in the second half, Nunez sent a shot wide while Belyea had a direct kick chance that Forest made a diving save on. Newfound got a corner kick out of it and Harker's header was tipped wide of the net. The Bears had another corner kick that Forest grabbed and St. Cyr had another shot denied by Sherkanowski. The Bears had a couple of late chances from Bastarache and North but Gilford hung tight and took the 1-0 win.

Gilford is slated to be in action again on Friday, Sept. 19, at Prospect Mountain at 4 p.m.

Newfound is scheduled to be at Somersworth today, Sept. 18, at

4 p.m., will be at Mascoma at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, and will be hosting Lin-Wood at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 25.

*Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or josh@salmonpress.news.*

## Tilley picks up another win in Belmont



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Maria Tilley picked up the win in Gilford's meet at Belmont last Thursday afternoon.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Gunnar Marvel heads down the hill during his team's race last week in Belmont.

## Defending champs fall to strong Mountaineer squad



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Catherine Fay races the ball up the field during her team's game with Berlin last Friday afternoon.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

GILFORD — The Gilford Golden Eagles welcomed the state's northernmost field hockey team to town on Friday, Sept. 12, and the Berlin Mountaineers returned home with a 2-0 win over the defending state champions.

The first quarter went by with neither team able to score and Berlin was able to score with 9:46 to go in the second quarter, with Emily Smith and Olivia Richard picking up the assists for the 1-0 lead, which they took to halftime.

Berlin came back with some early chances in the third quarter, with Smith and Emma Rancloes making a nice run and Kierra Walker turning them away with a good defensive stop. Caitlin Kelley had a shot for the Mountaineers that Madi Breton stopped in the Gilford net and Berlin had a pair of corners, with Rowan Worthen, Grace Southworth and Susanna Tilley all making good defensive stops on the corners for Gilford.

Berlin got shots from Richard, Smith and Rancloes that Breton turned away and Southworth

made a nice run up the sideline for the Golden Eagles. Richard sent a ball in on net that Breton turned away and Rose Kelley and Smith got in close on the rebounds, with Breton making diving saves in front of her cage to keep it a 1-0 game. Worthen had a good clear on another Berlin corner and Smith sent a shot wide of the net for the Mountaineers.

Gilford came back with chances from Southworth and Catherine Fay, but Berlin goalie McKenna Kelley held her own in the net. Gilford had a corner chance that the Mountaineer goalie handled and Southworth had a nice cross in front. Fay and Riley Coutts teamed up on a chance and Southworth had a bid stopped by McKenna Kelley and the game went to the fourth quarter with Berlin up 1-0.

The Mountaineers doubled their lead just more than two minutes into the final frame, as Smith finished off a feed from Rancloes to make it 2-0. The Berlin defense then stopped a Gilford run in the zone and Walker had a good run in as well. Southworth cleared out a shot from



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Riley Coutts reaches out for the ball during action last Friday afternoon against Berlin.

Smith and Berlin's Caitlin Kelley and Brooke Laflamme had nice defensive stops. Caitlin Kelley also stopped a run from Southworth and Richard and Fay exchanged good defensive stops at opposite ends of the field. Richard had a late shot denied by Breton and the Mountaineers held tight for the 2-0 win.

Gilford is slated to be in action again today, Sept. 18, at Bishop Brady and will be at

home against Mascoma on Tuesday, Sept. 23 and at Conant on Thursday, Sept. 25, all at 4 p.m.

Berlin is scheduled to be at home against Newfound on Thursday, Sept. 18, at 4 p.m., will be hosting Kennett on Saturday, Sept. 20, at 11 a.m. and at Stevens on Monday, Sept. 22, at 4 p.m.

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## Timber Wolf golfers third at Canterbury Woods

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

CANTERBURY — The Prospect Mountain golf team finished third in a four-school match at Canterbury Woods on Wednesday, Sept. 10.

Hopkinton took top honors with 71 points on the day, host Belmont finished in second with 65 points and Prospect Mountain scored 48 points to finish ahead of fourth place Newport.

Stephen Rawnsley led the way for the Timber Wolves, scoring 15 points from the third spot while Mikey Perry

in the top spot, Alyssa Pica in the fifth spot and Charles Bravar in the sixth spot all finished with 11 points to round out the scoring. Gavin Gorton had eight points from the second spot and Brady Glidden added a point from the fourth spot.

Prospect Mountain is scheduled to be in action on Wednesday, Sept. 24, at Lake Sunapee Country Club at 4 p.m.

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

Kylie Kelly finished in third place in Gilford's race at Belmont last Thursday.



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William Reinhardt led the Gilford boys during last week's race in Belmont.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

BELMONT — The Gilford cross country team took to the course in Belmont on Thursday, Sept. 11, racing against the host Raiders, Prospect Mountain, Moultonborough, Inter-Lakes, Berlin, White Mountains Regional, Winnisquam and Kearsarge.

Maria Tilley picked up another win for the Golden Eagles, crossing the finish line in 20:37 while Kylie Kelly finished in third place in 24:10. Athena Booth was ninth overall in 26:34, Ali O'Brien finished in 15th place in 28:29 and Bailey Juurlink-Gagne finished out the scoring

in a time of 30:41 for 23rd place. Amanda Schaffnit finished in 33rd place in a time of 33:39 to round out the field of Golden Eagles.

The Gilford boys were led by William Reinhardt in fifth place in 21:19 and Gunnar Marvel in eighth place in 22:06. Dan Peron was 17th overall in 24:08 and Griffyn Greene finished in 30th place in 28:10 to round out the field of Golden Eagles.

The Golden Eagles are slated to be in action at Manchester on Saturday, Sept. 20.

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SPORTS

Late touchdown pushes Sachems past Gilford



Lukas Diaz breaks free for a touchdown run during action in Laconia last Thursday evening.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

LACONIA — It was a game fitting of a prime Thursday night slot, as the neighboring Gilford and Laconia football teams did battle on the turf at BankNH Stadium in Laconia on Sept. 11.

After a scoreless first quarter, each team put the ball in the end zone once in the second quarter and Gilford took the lead after three quarters. However, Laconia scored in the final three minutes of the game and booted the extra point to walk off

the field with a 15-14 win over the Golden Eagles.

Laconia got the ball first and Gilford's defense forced the Sachems to punt after just three plays. Mark Uicker hit Daniel Fournier with a screen pass to open the game and Lukas Diazran the ball for a first down, but two incomplete passes forced Gilford to punt. The Sachems were able to move the ball on the next drive, eating up the rest of the first quarter clock and getting the ball to the five-yard line on a fourth down and three

pass to close out the first quarter.

Laconia scored on the first play of the second quarter on a five-yard touchdown run and converted the two-point conversion for the 8-0 lead just six seconds into the second quarter.

The Golden Eagles came back with a drive of their own, led by Diaz, who carried the ball seven times, Liam Butler ran once, Fournier caught a screen pass and then Emmett Hughes snared an 11-yard pass from Uicker on fourth down with 6:21 to go. Diaz ran in the two-point conversion and the game was tied at eight.

Butler had a nice de-



Danny Fournier carries the ball during his team's game with Laconia last week.

en Eagles, which helped force the Sachems to punt after just three plays. Gilford ate up most of the clock for the first half with their next drive, with Diaz again doing the yeoman's work on the ground. However, two incomplete passes handed the ball back to Laconia in the final seconds of the half and the teams went to halftime tied at eight.

Gilford got the ball to start the third quarter and Fournier and Diaz carried the ball to start. Henry Sleeper caught a pass for a first down and Diaz, Butler and Fourni-

and Diaz broke free for a 29-yard touchdown run with 5:21 to go in the third quarter. Laconia stopped the two-point conversion and Gilford had the 14-8 lead.

Laconia moved the ball well on the next drive, but Timmy Macaione and Finn Butler got into the backfield on fourth and three and Gilford got the ball back to close out the third quarter. The Golden Eagles were forced to punt three plays into the fourth quarter but Laconia also punted on their next drive. The Sachems forced Gilford to punt

the ball back again. They moved the ball inside the 10 and scored on a touchdown pass with three minutes to go. They then booted the extra point to take the 15-14 lead.

Gilford got the ball back, but a flea flicker interception on the second play from scrimmage sealed Laconia's win.

Gilford is scheduled to be back in action on Saturday, Sept. 20, at 2 p.m. at Epping-Newmarket.

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Prospect runners compete in Berlin and Belmont



Paige Harding rounds the corner during action in Belmont last week.



Trew Reed leads a group of Prospect Mountain runners up the hill in Belmont last Thursday.



Lexie Briggs runs in her team's race at Belmont last week.



Dylan Krull rounds a corner in action last week in Belmont.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

ALTON — The Prospect Mountain cross country team kicked off the season in Berlin on Sept. 6, before competing closer to home on Sept. 11 in Belmont.

In Berlin, Paige Harding led the way for the Prospect Mountain girls with a fourth place finish in 26:13. Scarlett Pinto was ninth overall in a time of 29:37 and Kira Campanile was 10th overall in 29:38. Layla Baker was next for the Prospect girls with a time of 31:02 for 12th place overall and Eva McCartney was 18th overall in 44:05.

The Prospect boys were led by Caiden Wainwright in 23rd place in 25:05 followed by Logan Andrews in 24th place in 25:13 and Dawson Meehan in 25th place in 25:25. Dylan Krull was 26th in 25:27 and Trew Reed finished out the scoring in a time of 26:52 for 27th place. Matthew Whelan was 30th in a time of 28:22, Liam Conway was 33rd in 30:30 and Declan McCausland finished in a time of 34:44 for 34th

place.

Prospect continued the season with a meet at Belmont on Thursday, Sept. 11.

The Timber Wolf boys were led by Wainwright in 21st place in 24:44 with Krull in 24th place in 24:56 and Andrews in 25th place in 26:39. Meehan finished in a time of 27:12 for 27th place and Whelan was 29th in a time of 27:18 to round out the scoring. Reed finished in 29:45 for 33rd place, Hunter Witham was 27th in 30:27, Conway was 38th overall in 30:29 and McCausland rounded out the field of Timber Wolves.

Harding led the way for the Timber Wolf girls with a time of 26:15 for seventh place, Pinto finished in 19th place in 30:04, Campanile was 20th in 30:06 and Lexi Briggs was 34th overall in 35:15.

The Timber Wolves are slated to be in action again at Newfound on Monday, Sept. 22, at 4 p.m.

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Timber Wolves fall in close battle with Kennett



Prospect Mountain's Kora MacKenzie goes up to the net against Kennett's Samari Fils-Twomey during action last Wednesday evening.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING  
Sports Editor

ALTON — The Prospect Mountain and Kennett volleyball teams battled back and forth on Wednesday, Sept. 10, with the visiting Eagles coming out with the 3-1 win.

The Timber Wolves and Eagles battled back and forth in the first set, tying at 11 and 12 before Kennett's Seretta Spaulding had a service ace to help the Eagles open a 14-12 lead. Prospect got a hit from Chloe Petersen but Zamora MacPherson answered with a hit for the Eagles. Taylor Greenwood got a hit for the Timber Wolves to tie things at 16 and they were tied again at 18.

MacPherson had a service ace to open the lead to 20-18 before Kora MacKenzie answered with a nice tip at the net for the Timber Wolves. Bronwyn Sherlock got a service ace for the Eagles to open the lead to 24-19. MacKenzie and Anna Sanders both added tips at the net and Lizzy Bishop followed with an ace

as Prospect pulled even at 24.

After the two teams were tied at 25, Jaylynn Steel and MacPherson added hits and Kennett took the 27-25 win for the 1-0 lead.

Prospect got out to a quick lead in the second set, scoring the first 10 points. MacKenzie had three aces in the run and Greenwood added a hit. After Kennett got on the board, Petersen went on another service run with a couple of aces to stretch the lead to 16-1. Samari Fils-Twomey found a nice spot for the Eagles and Steel added a pair of service aces to cut the lead to 16-5.

Bishop had a hit for the Timber Wolves but Kennett answered with a hit from Hannah Smith, but the Timber Wolves closed things out with the 25-12 win to tie things up.

Kennett got the first four points of the third set, with Spaulding getting a service ace. MacPherson added a hit to push the lead to 5-1 but Petersen came back with a service ace for the Tim-



Taylor Greenwood goes up for a hit during her team's game with Kennett last Wednesday.

ber Wolves. MacPherson found a spot with a hit but Maddy Daly answered with a hit for the Timber Wolves as they pulled closer and eventually tied the set at seven.

Kennett had a couple of hits from Fils-Twomey to put them in the lead but Charlotte Vasquez answered with a hit for the Timber Wolves. The two teams went back and forth, with Sherlock getting a service ace as the Eagles opened the lead to 17-11. Petersen added a hit for Prospect Mountain but Kennett got a trio of aces from Spaulding and then a big block from Steel. The Timber Wolves got two aces from MacKenzie but Kennett closed out the 25-16 win for the 2-1 lead.

Kennett got out to a 3-1 lead in the fourth set, with Spaulding getting a hit. Greenwood answered with a nice play from the back row for Prospect and Fils-Twomey added a hit for the Eagles. Sherlock had a couple of service aces and Spaulding had a couple of nice plays at the net to up the lead to

12-8.

Marlee Jones added a service ace and Steel had a tip and block as the Eagles upped the lead to 16-10. After Prospect cut the lead to 16-13, Steel had another hit and Spaulding added an ace. Petersen added an ace for Prospect Mountain but Steel had a hit and a service ace for Kennett top open the lead to 21-17.

Bishop had a nice play off the ceiling for the Timber Wolves but Kennett closed things out for the 25-21 win and sealing the 3-1 win.

The two teams will meet again on Wednesday, Sept. 24, in North Conway at 6 p.m.

Prospect Mountain is slated to be in action on Friday, Sept. 19, at home against Gilford and Kennett is scheduled to at home against Hanover on Friday, Sept. 19, at 6:15 p.m. and at home against Kingswood on Monday, Sept. 22m at 6 p.m.

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# SPORTS

## Gunstock prepares for winter with more improvements

GILFORD — As summer turns to autumn, Gunstock Mountain Resort’s operations team has its sights set on improvements for the winter of 2025/2026, and beyond.

Gunstock is planning to invest heavily in resort upgrades over the next few years. More than \$3 million is earmarked for lifts, \$2.5 million for snowmaking and grooming equipment, and more than \$4 million for general infrastructure improvements that include electrical systems.

Refurbishing the Panorama quad lift, anticipated to be a two-year process, began in the spring with upgrades to key components starting with the communication lines that transfer critical safety information between operators at the terminals and at every tower along the line. The computerized chair-spacing system that resulted in a disruption in lift ser-



Improvements have been happening all summer long as Gunstock prepares for a new winter season.

vice last spring has been replaced. These upgrades are critical elements of a larger investment in the full renovation of the Panorama lift. The lift will include further enhancements to include new lift structures to house lift components, and shelter lift attendants at the base and summit.

The haul rope has

been replaced on the Ramrod lift. Gunstock’s Pistol lift gear box was newly upgraded for the season ahead. Tiger, Pistol, and Ramrod lift drive replacements are scheduled to be completed when Gunstock opens for the season in early December. In addition, resort electrical systems have been inspected and

upgraded as needed to ensure reliability.

Snowmaking improvements for this winter include the installation of 24 new energy-efficient HKD Impulse tower guns that provide high production output of quality snow through a wide range of temperatures, and Klik hydrants that improve

snowmaking utility and efficiency. When it comes to managing the snow surface, Gunstock will reinforce its reputation for superlative conditions with the help of two new grooming machines – one equipped with a winch for managing the snow on Gunstock’s steepest terrain.

Winter enthusiasts who prefer to earn their turns will be happy to learn that Gunstock is extending uphill access hours this winter and has joined Uphill

New England, a local non-profit organization that has created the first ever multi-mountain pass, building a community of engaged, responsible, and empowered uphill enthusiasts. In addition to offering Gunstock-only uphill-access season passes, the resort has joined 21 resorts to offer a multi-mountain uphill season pass.

More information about Gunstock’s ongoing improvements can be found at gunstock.com.

## PSU soccer ID clinics set for Nov. 23

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth State University men’s and women’s soccer programs have released the details of the annual fall Panther Soccer ID Clinic.

The half-day clinics are geared toward high school players aged 16-and-up with an interest in playing at the collegiate level. Both clinics are scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 23, with the girls’ clinic running from 9:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., and the boys’ from 2:15 to 5:30 p.m. An optional, joint admissions tour for both groups is scheduled for 1 to 2 p.m.

The Panther Soccer ID Clinics offer high school players the opportunity to train and play in the Plymouth State environment while gaining insight

into the college recruitment process. Participants will also learn what it takes to succeed physically, emotionally, technically, and tactically at the collegiate level. Attendees will receive a PSU soccer tee shirt and post-clinic access to video footage from the two technical/tactical training sessions.

The clinics are run by head coaches Rob Wright and Sammy Blizzard Bogardus and their staffs and are limited to 28 participants. The registration fee is \$85, and a multi-child discount is available.

Registration links, waiver forms, and the camp brochure can be found on the department website at athletics.plymouth.edu/camps.

## Ricky Craven named pace car driver for Mobil 1 301 at NHMS

LOUDON — On Sunday, Sept. 21, Ricky Craven, two-time NASCAR Cup Series (NCS) race winner and Newburgh, Maine native, will get behind the wheel of the official Toyota GR Supra pace car as he leads 36 of NASCAR’s best to the green flag for the Mobil 1 301 NCS race at New Hampshire Motor Speedway (NHMS).

“I’ve been looking forward to my return home for several months,” said 1995 NCS Rookie of the Year Craven. “This was, during my driving days, and will always be my absolute favorite racetrack. Each time I returned to New Hampshire to compete in a NASCAR event, I had the advantage of feeling as though I was racing with a home field advantage. I am so grateful for the opportunity to get back behind the wheel to lead the Cup Series field to the green flag.”

In addition to serving as the Honorary pace car driver for Sunday’s Mobile 1 301 NCS Playoffs race, Craven will participate in a variety of appearances throughout New England’s only NCS Playoffs weekend:

Saturday, Sept. 20  
5-6 p.m. – Autograph session with the Tide car he won at Darlington Raceway with on display  
6:15-7 p.m. – Guest on “The Magic Mile”

Happy Hour Show with Kurt Busch, hosted by NASCAR personality Jose Castillo and fellow New Englanders Mamba Smith and Alan Cavanna at The Groove

Sunday, Sept. 21  
10:30-10:45 a.m. – Guest at the Wicked Good Live Auction and Raffle to benefit the New Hampshire Chapter of Speedway Children’s Charities on “The Magic Mile” Entertainment Stage

11:45 a.m. – 12 p.m. – Guest on Trackside Live, hosted by Kenny Wallace and John Roberts, on “The Magic Mile” Entertainment Stage

“Ricky is a pride of New England, and I can’t wait to see him back on ‘The Magic Mile’ behind the wheel of the official Toyota GR Supra pace car to lead the field of NASCAR’s stars to the green flag,” said New Hampshire Motor Speedway Executive Vice President and General Manager David McGrath. “We’re excited to welcome him for the whole weekend to engage with New England race fans back on his home turf.”

Throughout his career, Craven achieved two NCS wins, including the famed March 16, 2003 win at Darlington Raceway with a margin of victory of only .002 seconds over Kurt Busch – the closest finish in NCS history until April

17, 2011 when Jimmie Johnson tied this margin of victory over Clint Bowyer at Talladega Superspeedway. That record has since been broken by Kyle Larson with a .001-second margin of victory over Chris Buescher at Kansas Speedway on May 5, 2024.

From 1991 to 2004, Craven made 278 NCS starts, earned two wins, 17 top-fives, 41 top-10s and six poles and led 1,075 laps. From 1986 to 2006, he made 142 NASCAR Xfinity Series starts, earned four wins, 27 top-fives, 57 top-10s and seven poles and led 1,579 laps. After retiring from the NCS, Craven made 26 NASCAR CRAFTSMAN Truck Series (NCTS) starts from 2004 to 2005, earned one win, four top-fives and nine top-10s and led 114 laps.

On-track action kicks off Friday, Sept. 19, with practice and qualifying sessions for the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour (NWMT) and NCTS plus Sig Sauer Academy Dirt Duels at The Flat Track. The action continues on Doubleheader Saturday with the Mohegan Sun 100 NWMT race, the Team EJP 175 NCTS Playoffs race and NCS practice and qualifying. The on-track action culminates Sunday with the NCS taking on “The Magic Mile” to kick off the Round of 12 with the

Mobil 1 301. Don’t miss all of the exciting off-track action including “The Magic Mile” Happy Hour Show, Trackside Live, The Groove fan hangout, concerts from Draw the Line and Being Petty: The Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers Experience, Family Movie Night featuring “Captain America: Brave New World,” driver appearances, a variety of live performances, fireworks and much more.

For a full NASCAR weekend schedule, visit NHMS.com/Events/NASCAR-Cup-Series/Schedule/.

For tickets and camping for New England’s only NASCAR Playoffs weekend, featuring the Mobil 1 301 NCS and Team EJP 175 NCTS Playoffs races, Mohegan Sun 100 NWMT race and Sig Sauer Academy Dirt Duels, fans should visit NHMS.com or call 833-4LOUDON. Tickets for kids 12 and under are just \$10 on Sunday, free on Doubleheader Saturday and start at \$10 on Friday.

Keep track of all of New Hampshire Motor Speedway’s events by following on Facebook (@NHMotorSpeedway), X (@NHMS) and Instagram (@NHMS). Keep up with all the latest information on the speedway website (NHMS.com) and mobile app.

## HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

**Thursday, Sept. 18**  
**KENNETT**  
Cross Country at Kingswood; 4  
Golf at Kingswood; 3:30  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Cross Country Home Meet; 4  
Field Hockey at Pembroke; 4  
Girls’ Soccer vs. Plymouth; 6:30  
Golf Home Match; 3:30  
**Friday, Sept. 19**  
**KENNETT**  
Boys’ Soccer at Lebanon; 4  
Field Hockey vs. Plymouth; 4  
Girls’ Soccer vs. Lebanon; 4  
Volleyball vs. Hanover; 6  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Boys’ Soccer at Plymouth; 4  
Football vs. Bow; 7  
Volleyball vs. Laconia; 6  
**PROSPECT MOUNTAIN**  
Boys’ Soccer vs. Gilford; 4  
Girls’ Soccer at Gilford; 4

Volleyball vs. Gilford; 6  
**Saturday, Sept. 20**  
**KENNETT**  
Field Hockey at Berlin; 11  
Football at Pembroke; 2:30  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Cross Country at Manchester; 10  
**Monday, Sept. 22**  
**KENNETT**  
Volleyball vs. Kingswood; 6  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Volleyball at Kennett; 6  
**PROSPECT MOUNTAIN**  
Cross Country at Newfound; 4  
Tuesday, Sept. 23  
**KENNETT**  
Boys’ Soccer vs. Berlin; 5:30  
Girls’ Soccer at Berlin; 3:30  
Golf Home Match; 3:30  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Boys’ Soccer at John Stark; 4  
Field Hockey vs. Hollis-Brook-

line; 4  
Girls’ Soccer vs. John Stark; 7:15  
Golf at Kennett; 3:30  
**Wednesday, Sept. 24**  
**KENNETT**  
Golf at Pembroke; 3:30  
Volleyball vs. Prospect Mountain; 6  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Volleyball vs. St. Thomas; 6  
**PROSPECT MOUNTAIN**  
Golf at Sunapee; 4  
Volleyball at Kennett; 6  
**Thursday, Sept. 25**  
**KINGSWOOD**  
Golf at Portsmouth; 3:30  
**PROSPECT MOUNTAIN**  
Boys’ Soccer at Raymond; 4  
Cross Country at Newmarket; 4  
Girls’ Soccer at Raymond; 6  
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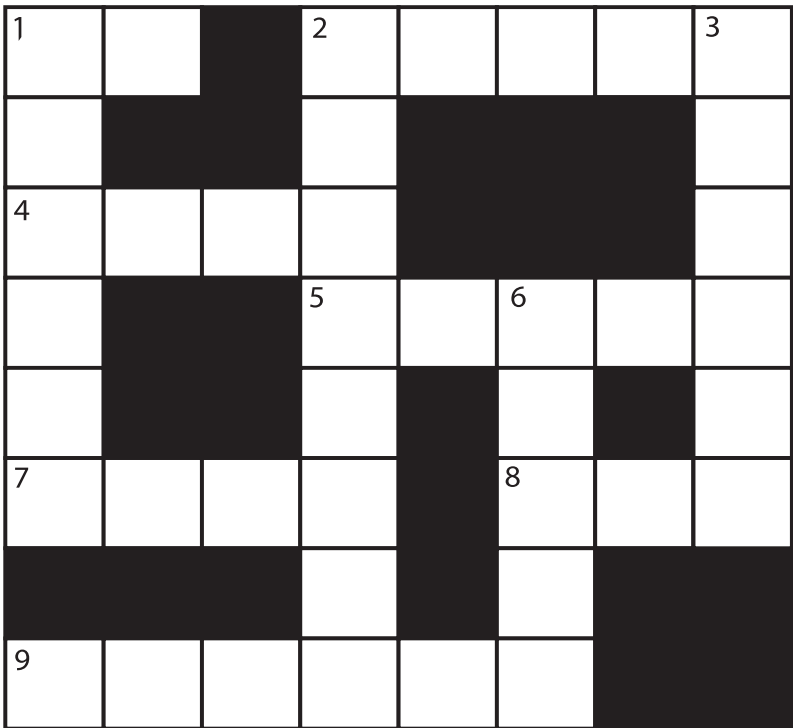
Nature

FACT:

Leaves change color in the fall due to the breakdown of this substance.

Answer: Chlorophyll

Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS

  - 1. California city (abbr.)
  - 2. Sudden fear
  - 4. Dull pain
  - 5. Rest on knees
  - 7. One who feels superior to others
  - 8. We breathe it
  - 9. Place for learning
- DOWN

  - 1. They grow on trees
  - 2. Game played with a baby
  - 3. Not as hot
  - 6. Digital message

Answers: Across 1. LA 2. Panic 4. Ache 5. Kneel 7. Snob 8. Air Down 1. Leaves 2. Peekaboo 3. Cooler 6. Email 9. School

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Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Pumpkin

CRYPTO FUN

Solve the code to discover words related to fall. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 13 = L)

A. 22 18 2 9 8 19  
Clue: Cleaning up leaves

B. 3 4 9 13 13 15  
Clue: Slightly cold

C. 1 23 24 21 23 26 14 23 22  
Clue: Falls starts here

D. 17 18 13 13  
Clue: Autumn

Answers: A. raking B. chilly C. September D. fall

SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

ANSWER:

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9	3	7	2	5	4	1	6	8
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1	2	9	4	6	3	8	7	5
8	7	4	9	1	5	3	2	6
6	5	3	7	2	8	9	1	4



## SNHU announces Summer 2025 President’s List

MANCHESTER —It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Summer 2025 Presidents List. The summer terms run from May to August.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President’s List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week

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- Michelle Hamilton of Alton Bay
- Odane Palmer of Center Barnstead
- Meagan Wenzel of Center Barnstead
- Trevor Sass of Laconia
- William Butler of Laconia
- Alexis Beaumont of Laconia
- Jacinda Odette of Gilmanton

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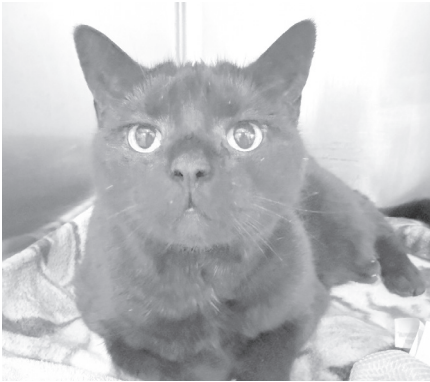
terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer:

- Makenzy Joy of Alton Bay
- Colby Sykes of Alton Bay
- Ariana Daoust of Alton
- Devin Rogers of Alton
- Colby Sykes of Alton
- Ronald Tyrell of Center Barnstead
- Connor Frenzel of Center Barnstead
- Kaitlyn Blackey of Center Barnstead
- Jilian Smeltzly of Gilford
- Cody MacLeod of Gilford
- Scott White of Gilford
- Sarah Ancora of Laconia
- Katie-Ann Parsons of Laconia
- Tucker Clark-Manseau of Laconia
- Christina Wallace of Laconia
- Taylor Hough of Laconia
- Despina Kafanelis of Laconia
- Danielle Dye of Laconia
- Darrick Roche of Laconia

- Aliyah Perry of Laconia
- Samuel Orzechowski of Laconia
- Carlos Cardona of Laconia
- Madison Sandifer of Laconia
- Trevor Munroe of Gilmanton
- Alec Carpenter of Gilmanton
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## PETS OF THE WEEK



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# Gilford Community Church hosts Gals' Night Out



GILFORD — The Gilford Community Church has scheduled their next “Gals’ Night Out” for Friday, Sept. 26 at 6 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Bryan Conway, “Just One Man...An Entire Band” and a delicious dinner will be prepared by Ellie Murphy!

Gentlemen are also invited to enjoy music from the ‘50’s, ‘60’s and ‘70’s...so put on your dancing shoes and get ready for a wonderful night!

Tickets are \$25 and are on sale now in the church office.

We will once again be collecting donated items for New Beginnings Women’s Shelter in Laconia. Their current needs are: new pillows, zippered mattress covers, twin size sheets, queen size sheets, blankets, comforters, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, disinfectant wipes, toilet bowl cleaner, toothpaste (kids and adults), diapers (Size 5 and 6), baking sheets, pots & pans.

Located in Gilford at 19 Potter Hill Rd., the Gilford Community Church (GCC) is an inclusive, open community that welcomes believers and doubters, seekers and skeptics, young and old. Viewable live on YouTube, Sunday service at GCC takes place at 10 a.m. To learn more about GCC, or virtually attend service, visit [gilfordcommunitychurch.org](http://gilfordcommunitychurch.org).

## Calling all musicians

Patrick’s Singer/Songwriter competition returns Sept. 29 with \$500 Grand Prize

GILFORD — Patrick’s Pub & Eatery in Gilford is excited to announce the return of its Seventh Annual Singer/Songwriter Competition, kicking off on Monday, Sept. 29, as part of its popular Monday Night Open Mic series.

Since opening in 1987, Patrick’s has been a hub for live entertainment in the Lakes Region. The Monday Night Open Mic, launched in 2015, continues that tradition by giving both seasoned and emerging musicians the chance to shine.

Live music has always been at the heart of what we do at Patrick’s,” explained General Manager Megan Page. “We’re fortunate to be surrounded by so much talent in the Lakes Region, and our customers truly appreciate it.”

Musicians interested in performing or competing can contact John McArthur at [John@NHMusicCollective.com](mailto:John@NHMusicCollective.com). For Patrick’s full entertainment lineup, visit [www.patrickspub.com](http://www.patrickspub.com).

Eight contestants will be chosen over seven weeks to compete in the Finals Night showdown, where the winner takes home \$500 and each runner-up earns \$150.

“Year after year, we’re blown away by the talented musicians who step up on the stage,” said John McArthur of NH Music Collective, who runs the weekly Open Mic at Patrick’s. “We can’t wait to see who rises to the top in 2025”.



Patrick’s 2024 Singer/Songwriter contest winners from right to left: second Runner Up Temple Mountain, Winner Ian Archibold and 1st Runner Up Ian Galipeau.

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