Egremont News

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Selectboard:

Happy Summer everyone!

For us at Town Hall, it's happy new year, as our fiscal year begins on July 1.

Please note that this newsletter is no longer mailed. It is available on the town's web page at www.egremont-ma.gov. It is also emailed out to the Town's group email list. It is also available at both the Post Offices.

At the May 2023 Town Meeting, voters approved the formation of a Housing Trust and adopted a bylaw regulating the Trust. The bylaw has been submitted to the Attorney General's Office for approval. Once approval is obtained, the Board will move forward with appointing the five members of the Trust Board.

The construction work on the 23/41 roadway will continue throughout summer and fall. The covered traffic signs east of South Village and along Creamery Road mark the detour that will begin when the culvert just east of Creamery is replaced beginning on July 10. Main Street between Creamery Road and the Great Barrington town line will be closed to thru traffic beginning July 10 at 7am through July 14. Until July 10 the roadway at the culvert will continue to be one lane.

The Board of Assessors recently notified the Board that due to sales data in Egremont, and the surrounding area, home values for tax purposes will increase again about 15%. This does not necessarily equate to an increase in the tax bill. More details will be known in November.

Obtaining easements for the phase 1, Jug End Road intersection to the Mount Washington town line, work on Mount Washington road was funded at the Annual Town Meeting and work has begun on title searches for the properties needing easements. Engineering has begun on phase 2, Jug End Road intersection to Route 41, of the Mount Washington Road reconstruction project. The Town was recently given the great new that MassDOT is going to pay for the engineering and replacement of the bridge near Farm Lane, saving the Town hundreds of thousands of dollars.

ECO-TIP

Cleaning out your closet? Put outgrown or no-longer-used clothes & shoes in the blue bins at the Transfer Station. CMRK partners with Big Brothers Big Sisters to distribute all wearable clothing to where it is needed. They don't shred clothes/fabrics if they can be reused. CMRK also pays the Town 7¢ for each pound collected – 5350 lb in Q1 of 2023!

Transfer Station:

New stickers have arrived. Stop by Town Hall to pick yours up.

The Town will be implementing a new book recycling program in the very near future. Watch for details.

French Park:

The construction on the Pickleball courts has begun. The courts may not be ready for use this season.

Very soon new signs will be installed at the Pollinator garden, which is near the Dog Park, talking about the importance of Pollinator plants and identifying the plants in the garden. On July 12, from 10am to 1pm, there will be a discussion to learn more about the pollination process and pollinator creatures. There is more information later in this newsletter.

The very active Dog Park Committee members are keeping our Dog Park safe and clean. Please read the signage so that you know to register as user and you understand the rules about picking up your dog waste.

Grants Administrator's Report thru June, 2023

Following is a list of grants awarded totaling $90,543.00 and the status of each.

Municipal Fiber Grant - $12,493

from the **MA Community Compact Cabinet program** Installed fiberoptic cable and security equipment at the Water Dept. Plant (completed.) Install 3 "mesh" hotspots to provide outdoor wifi access and allow telephone calling during power outages at the following locations: 1 unit on a pole at jct. of Rte.71 at Boice Road and two units along Rte.23 (in process.) To be completed by September, 2023.

Community Forest Stewardship Grant for French Park -- $19,050.00

from the **MA Dept. of Conservation and Recreation,** to implement Yr.1 of the French Park Forest Management Plan. All work has been completed as of 6/20/2023.

Cutting of infested, weakened ash trees

Continued cutting/treatment of invasive shrubs near the Chapel Re-blazing of all trails

Interpretive signage at the Pollinator Garden

Survey of French Park

Purchased boundary signs and began installing at park perimeters

Began preliminary planning for future Park projects

Community Planning Grant Program– $54,000

from **MA Dept. of Housing & Community Development**

Retain qualified Consultant to assist Egremont Planning Board to revise the Egremont Zoning Bylaw. This grant will be augmented with an additional $6,000 from American Rescue Plan Act Grant (ARPA), for a total expenditure of $60,000. Work to commence 3rd quarter, 2023.

The following grants have been or will be, submitted with status as indicated:

MA EEA Dam & Seawall Repair Program: Grant for $577,935 submitted Feb. 17, on behalf of Lake Dam LLC to repair Prospect Lake Dam and make it fully operational, to control water levels and facilitate water quality monitoring. Agreement between dam owners and Town includes public access to the Prospect Lake with 10 designated parking places on campground property.

Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Action Grant: Grant submitted June 1 for $81,500 addressing Water Dept. capital needs (Hydrologic & Hydraulic study and backup well geotechnical explorations) and to conduct regulatory review of Town Bylaws and policies for climate resiliency and water resource protection.

MA One Stop for Growth: Rural & Small Town Dev. Fund $416,554 – Grant submitted May 30, 2023. Application for the balance of funds needed to construct a new Facilities & Transportation garage at municipal complex.

DEP Asset Mgt State Revolving Fund Grant, August, 2023, grant $150,000 max. (40% town match required, grant amount t/b/d). Retain Tighe & Bond Engineers to conduct Water Dept. Asset Mgt. Planning, including 5 yr. annual charge system, fiscal analysis, Asset inventory w/ GIS, tablets and operator software.

Community Compact Cabinet Grants (CCC) - October, 2023:

Efficiency & Regionalization Grant for the Egremont Fire Dept. regionalization planning

IT Grant: Digitizing of town hall documents including large format drawings/maps; Database development

Other CCC grant with UMASS Collins Center – Town-wide Capital Improvement Plan

MA EEA Div of Env. Restoration: $300,000+ Blunt Road Construction Grant (March, 2024.)

For more information, contact Peg McDonough, Egremont Grants Administrator, 413 335 2789 or arpaegremont@gmail.com.

Help Support French Park Dog Park: A Community Spot for Dogs and their Owners

Dog owners in the Southern Berkshires know that there are few places for their dogs to be off-leash in a safe, fenced in area. French Park Dog Park, located on the property of French Park in North Egremont, is a fully fenced-in outdoor space, featuring two separate grassy lawn areas that provide the opportunity for dogs to socialize with one another off-leash. Cars can access the park from Baldwin Hill Road North.

Those who visit the park find it to be a place to bond with fellow dog lovers in a well-maintained setting. As one frequent visitor commented, "Those who frequent the park feel like we are part of a community – it is a very special place for both the dogs and their owners!"

What many visitors may not know is that the dog park is primarily funded by private donations, and that it costs approximately $4,000 per year to maintain the lawn, clean-up bags, trash cans and removal. Within the last two years, a town Committee was formed to ensure that the dog park can raise those funds and remain open and safe for both residents and non-residents of Egremont.

Come visit! All are welcome once they are registered users, which takes just minutes to complete on-line. **You may register your dog** here and consider donating to help keep this community space open! To make a donation, you can either click on the PayPal link here , scan the barcode at the dog park gate or drop a check (made out to French Park Dog Park) or cash in the secure donation box located at the park's entry gate.

We look forward to seeing you and your dogs!

ECO-TIP

Used household batteries contain heavy metals that can be recovered and shouldn't enter our trash stream. Take your Cs, Ds, AAs, buttons, whatever -- ALL of them – to Staples. They have a new (free) battery-recycling program!

Composting 101

By Green Committee Member, Bonnie Greenwood,
retired Environmental Health Specialist

Why should I compost?

Food waste is a heavy component of trash, so diverting it from the trash stream saves our tax money. When food waste ends up in landfills, it generates (under anaerobic conditions) methane, a greenhouse gas even more potent than carbon dioxide. Composting is an easy and sustainable way to reduce the food and yard waste that would otherwise go to a landfill. Composting creates a dark, rich soil amendment. When you add compost to the garden, less water is required and the need for chemical fertilizers is reduced.

How do I compost?

There are different types of bins or systems for composting. You can use an open pile or a store-bought compost bin. DIYers can build a bin or multiple-bin system out of concrete blocks, wood pallets, snow fencing, lumber, or chicken wire. Egremonters can toss their compostable kitchen scraps into the community compost bin at our Transfer Station, from which everyone is welcome to haul away the final product. The Town of Egremont also offers *Earth Machine* backyard composting bins for $25 each (regular retail price is $110). To purchase one, email Juliette Haas at jhaas@egremont-ma.gov.

Compost piles aren't finicky about location. Put them in a shady or sunny area, either directly on the ground, allowing "critters" (worms, bugs, fungi, bacteria, etc.) to have access, or raised to facilitate turning (for some store-bought composters).

Composting is done by mixing organic materials (kitchen scraps, leaves, grass clippings) with water and air to promote natural decomposition. Combine materials that are high in carbon ("browns") with materials that are high in nitrogen ("greens") and add water.

The ideal carbon-to-nitrogen (C/N) ratio is around 30:1 by weight, so try to add plenty of browns (dry leaves, dry grass clippings, straw, shredded newspaper, sawdust, chopped wood chips and bark, old potting soil). Then throw on the greens: fresh grass clippings, fruit and vegetable scraps, eggshells, coffee grounds and tea leaves (not all teabags are compostable), and manure (from plant eaters only).

Do NOT include meats, fish, poultry, bones, dairy products, oils, grease, weeds with seeds, pet waste, ashes, treated wood products.

How to Build a Compost Pile

Begin by adding about 4-6" of browns. Add a 4-6" layer of greens. Continue layering browns and greens until the pile is about 3x3x3 feet.

Mix the layers with a pitchfork while adding water so that the materials are as moist as a wrung-out sponge. Don't overwater, as this will create anaerobic (lack of oxygen) conditions.

If your bin or pile is in direct contact with the ground, organisms such as worms, millipedes, sow bugs, and fungi can move directly into the pile. Commercial compost bins that sit directly on the ground may have perforated bottoms, allowing these organisms to enter. If your bin is aboveground, you can add a few shovelfuls of garden soil that contains these critters to the compost. You can also purchase "red wiggler" worms from a garden center.

The pile should be turned or mixed every 3 days and watered to keep it damp. It should begin to heat up in about a week, depending on the outside temperature. The optimal pile temperature for decomposition is approximately 100-140°F. (You can purchase a soil thermometer at a garden shop or online.) If the pile is hot enough, turned regularly, and properly watered, you may have finished compost in a month or two, depending on your climate.

Put the finished compost wherever you want good soil: in vegetable gardens, flower beds, potted plants, lawns (e.g., broadcast over grass), and around trees and shrubs (or mixed into the hole when transplanting). Finally, make "compost tea" and use it to fertilize plants. Various methods are on the internet.

Questions? Email egremont.green@gmail.com, subject: Composting 101

ECO-TIP

Switch to glass or silicone food-storage containers. When a plastic container says "microwave safe," it means it won't melt – not that it's safe for your health.

Conservation Commission:

Prospect Lake Watershed: A sensitive ecosystem that touches all our lives.

By Peter Goldberg, Board Member of the Friends of Prospect Lake

If you live in Egremont, Alford, Great Barrington and Sheffield your life has both a direct and indirect connection with the Prospect Lake Watershed. What is a watershed? Here's a good, working definition: A watershed describes an area of land that contains a common set of streams and rivers that all drain into a single larger body of water, such as a larger river, a lake or an ocean.

Prospect Lake, and the watershed that bears its name, is located in Egremont and is an important resource for both residents and visitors of Egremont and the surrounding towns.

Located in the Southeast section of the Green River Watershed, and adjacent to the Karner Brook Watershed, Prospect Lake is part of the, still larger, Housatonic Valley Watershed that spans 84 towns from the Northwest corner of Massachusetts down to the Long Island Sound in coastal Connecticut.

Prospect Lake's environmentally sensitive, ecosystem plays a critical role in the ecological balance of the adjoining towns of Egremont, Alford, Sheffield as well as points beyond. At one time, Prospect Lake was referred to as Winchel Lake or Winchel Pond. The lake is classified as a Massachusetts Great Pond, and has been identified as a reservoir, pond and lake by various surveys, agencies and other resources over the years.

From the Prospect Lake Diagnostic/Feasibility Study Egremont, Massachusetts, 1991:

Both the lake and the watershed lie within the greater Housatonic Major River Basin. The lake itself is located at the Southern-most boundary of the Green River Watershed and the Northern border of the Hubbard Brook Watershed and encompasses an area of 812 acres, of which 55 acres are occupied by Prospect Lake. Thus, the land area that contributes surface water and groundwater to Prospect Lake measures approximately 757 acres, which is 13.8 times greater than the area of the pond.

Prospect Lake empties into the Green River, which, ultimately, flows into the Housatonic River which empties into the Atlantic Ocean near Bridgeport, Connecticut. The watershed encompasses an area of 812 acres, of which 55 acres are occupied by Prospect Lake. Thus, the land area that contributes surface water and groundwater to Prospect Lake measures approximately 757 acres, which is 13.8 times greater than the area of the pond.

Prospect Lake receives water from five tributaries. Three small brooks enter from the north and west while two larger tributaries enter Prospect Lake from the south.

In addition, a substantial portion of inflow to the pond takes the form of groundwater flow and overland stormflow. Outflow from the pond is eastward, entering into the Green River approximately 1,210 meters (4,000 feet) from the lake.

Resources

Housatonic Valley Association: https://hvatoday.org/our-housatonic-watershed/
EPA website, Green River Watershed: https://mywaterway.epa.gov/community/egremont/overview

EPA website, Hubbard Brook Watershed https://mywaterway.epa.gov/community/Sheffield,%20MA,%20USA/overview

Greener Pasture website, a historical look at Egremont in 1890:
https://greenerpasture.com/Places/ShowNews/25254
https://greenerpasture.com/Places/Details/962

ECO-TIP

If you don't buy organic produce, wash your produce in a vinegar solution to remove pesticide residue such as glyphosate (aka Roundup).

Water Department:

The Water Department continues to work with the contractors and engineers on the Main Street project. The new water mains have been installed and the associated service lines and valves will be installed over the next few weeks.

We appreciate our customers' cooperation and understanding while this project is being completed.

Water use rates will increase July 1; customers will see the new amount beginning with the August 1, 2023 bill. The reason for the increase is debt service, which will increase, to $61 per user account per month.

For the average user, the total increase will be about $22.50 per month (based on 3000 gallons per month). As usage increases, the fee will increase accordingly.

Please make us aware of your contact information in Egremont's Mass Alert System is accurate; if you would like to change your contact information or add more numbers or email addresses let us know at 413-528-0182 ext 17 or email waterdept@egremont-ma.gov.

Leak detection saves processed water and money! Remember to check outside hose faucets! If the spigot is left dripping, that faucet can waste 20 gallons of water a day. A leaky toilet can waste 200 gallons a day. These leaks waste your water and your money!

Toilet Leaks are hard to detect. They are usually caused by a bad main valve, flapper valve seat, a bad flush valve, an improperly positioned float arm, or a defective overflow tube. Test your toilets by dropping a few drops of food coloring into the water in the tank. DO NOT FLUSH! Wait for 15 to 20 minutes. If color appears in the bowl, then you have a leak and repairs need to be made.

Faucet Leaks are easy to find. If it drips, or worse, continues running after you shut it off, it needs to be fixed. If the dripping water is warm, it is costing you extra money! Water dripping or running from the shower head when the shower is turned off firmly, is usually caused by bad washers or seats which need replacing. Also, check for leaks from the tub faucet when the shower is turned on. This type of leak will defeat the purpose of a low-flow shower head because the water you save with the low-flow device is lost from the tub faucet.

If you have any questions about water supply or billing, the Water Department Clerk is available at Town Hall Monday - Friday from 7 to 3; telephone 528-0182 ext 17. Happy Summer!

Emergency Management:

Natural and man-made disasters can strike at any time. Massachusetts is susceptible to many natural hazards including floods, hurricanes and tropical storms, winter weather and blizzards, tornadoes, thunderstorms, lightning, severe weather, and others. In addition, man-made disasters can also occur including hazardous materials incidents, nuclear power plant incidents, power outages, transportation accidents, water supply problems, terrorism and others. Being aware of the different types of incidents that can occur is a critical part of being prepared for emergencies.

You may learn more about each of these hazards through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency website, https://www.mass.gov/be-prepared-for-emergencies where

you can learn about the potential emergencies that can happen and the appropriate ways to respond to them. When you know what to do, you can plan with your household and prepare in advance to be ready before the emergency. In addition to preparedness tips before the storm, the website also provides tips on how to stay safe during and after the emergencies.

In addition to being informed of the types of disasters that could occur, staying informed leading up to and during an emergency is also critical. While many events have little to no notice, hurricanes, blizzards and other weather events do have some advance notice. Be aware of severe weather watches and warnings and understand what they mean. These watches and warnings can be obtained from media sources, the National Weather Service, and All Hazards National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radios. By being alerted of these severe weather warnings, you can take necessary protective actions to keep you and your family safe.

During emergencies information may be available from a number of sources. It is important to sign up for and be prepared to get information in several ways since not all methods are used for all emergencies, and power outages and other effects of the disaster may cause disruptions in how you get information. Some of the primary ways to get information during an emergency include:

Local notification systems such as our Blackboard Connect Alert System. This system uses listed telephone numbers only, so the Town requires registration of cell phones or email addresses. To register or change your contact information, please email or call and we will be happy to assist..

Local notifications from public safety may include vehicles using public address speakers or door to door notifications. Other methods may include: Commercial media (TV and radio); MEMA's Massachusetts Alerts smartphone app; MEMA's Twitter or Facebook accounts; MEMA's website, https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-emergency-management-agency or our local community government website, www.egremont-ma.gov; The Emergency Alert System (EAS) via radio and television; Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA); All Hazards National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio.

Call 2-1-1 for Non-Emergency Assistance . 2-1-1 is the Commonwealth's primary telephone call center during times of emergency and is able to provide information on emergency resources such as shelter locations.

Egremont's Emergency Management Team prepares and plans throughout the year for all-hazard response. Communication equipment is constantly reviewed an updated. During times of severe weather outbreaks, Amateur Radio volunteers monitor the weather across Berkshire County and are in direct communication with National Weather Service offices in Albany NY and Taunton MA.

If you would like more information on how to prepare, please visit the Town's website preparedness page, https://www.egremont-ma.gov/183/Emergency-Management or call Town Hall (413)528-0182.

ECO-TIP

Choose BUBBLES instead of balloons. Balloons released to the air end up in waterways and then the ocean, where sea turtles and other marine life mistake them for food, leading ultimately to starvation. Make your own soapy solution: 4 c warm water, ½ c dish detergent, and ½ c sugar. Let stand for a few hours before blowing bubbles.

Council on Aging:

Happy Summer, everyone. One of the best seasons in the Berkshires! Here are some tips to keep you safe in the warmer months:

*know when to stay inside – on hot days outside activities are best done in the early morning and in the late afternoon

*slather on the sunblock

*keep meds up to date and properly stored

*drink plenty of water

*prevent falls - check uneven patio stones, watch for outdoor rugs and slippery pool decks

*keep your yard and patio/deck areas well lit

*keep in touch with your neighbors and when it's extremely hot be sure to check on them.

Walking Safely.....

*whether walking, running or biking always keep safety in mind

*always walk facing traffic

*cross safely - look both ways, look again, use crosswalks

*walk single file when cars are approaching; move over when vehicles approach

Biking Safety

*know traffic laws and obey them - bikes must follow the same rules as motorists

*remain alert - keep your head up, look around, be aware of hazards

*use hand signals when turning - look, signal, look again, turn

*wear a helmet

***whether walking, running or biking be sure to wear a "Be Safe, Be Seen" vest. They are free and available at the Town Hall, the Police Department and the Egremont Free Library**

Looking for tech help or assistance with your I phone? Liz Jaffe will be at the Town Hall on Mondays from 10:00 - 11:30. Liz has been helping seniors with their tech questions for many years. So bring your devices and questions to the Town Hall on Mondays and get your questions ansered!

Transportation - Need a ride? You now have more options. You can call Melanie at 528-0182 x25 to book a ride for medical appointments on one of two vans the Town has. The new TriTown Connector Program is now up and running. This program provides on demand transportation services for residents of any age. Trips are limited to Great Barrington, Egremont and Stockbridge for any purpose. Seniors over 60 can book rides to Monterey, New Marlborough and Pittsfield for medical appointments. For intown rides the cost is $2.00 weekdays from 7:00 a.m to 8:00 p.m. Weekend rides are provided from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Call 413-591-3826 to arrange a ride.

COA in person lunches will resume in the fall. We have an exciting variety of speakers lined up to entertain and inform you. Watch for details!

Adult Playgrounds - We have received shipment of 2 pieces of equipment and another 4 pieces are en route. We will start installing these six pieces shortly and will install the remaining 3 pieces when they arrive. We will keep you posted!

Remember you COA is here to assist you. Call us with your questions or concerns - 528-0182 x 16. If we don't have an answer to your question or concern we will do our best to get you an answer. WE love to hear from YOU!

Egremont Technology Committee:

Fiber Connect Upgrades. FC is continuing the process of upgrading its network infrastructure. Two new "backhaul" circuits, one through Great Barrington and the other through Hudson, NY, are being added to FC's existing circuit through the state's "middle mile" network to provide "backhaul" redundancy. This means that there will be more than just one link between the Egremont network system and the national Internet network. This will greatly reduce the likelihood of outages caused by a single-point failure of the connection between Egremont and the national network, as has happened a few times. Not only will these additional circuits reduce the likelihood of service disruptions, but they will also enable higher speed connection between the national Internet and FC's local networks in Egremont and Monterey. When the new circuits are fully functional, FC will begin to introduce optional new premium higher-speed network services to customers.

Public Wi-Fi Hotspots. FC is continuing to work with Verizon and National Grid to obtain licenses to attach hotspot equipment to utility poles. As we reported previously, the Town has been awarded a municipal broadband grant to work with FC to extend the public wi-fi network in South Egremont along Main Street. The grant is also funding a public wi-fi hotspot in the North Village near the intersection of Boice Road and Route 71. A separate grant funded public wi-fi hotspots in French Park. FC will supply free public internet service at these locations.

Final Buildout Certification. As previously reported, FC completed the network extension buildout throughout the Town of Egremont last fall. On April 4, 2023, the Select Board voted unanimously to certify that the Network Extension Project is complete. This certification closed out the state-funded network construction project and allowed FC to apply for its final payment from MBI under the state grant award program.

Meeting Schedule:
Subject to change. Please see postings of meetings on the Town's web page at www.egremont-ma.gov at Town Hall and the Post Offices for more detail. This is not official.
(Many meetings are taking place via Zoom. Please check the town's web page, www.egremont-ma.gov, for meeting postings.)

Historical Commission - first Wednesday at 4pm
Assessors - Tuesdays & Thursdays 9am to 12noon
Council on Aging - Meetings as posted.
COA Administrative Assistant is at Town Hall Thursday 9am to 12noon.
Board of Health - Monday–Thursday 7am to 12:30pm. Meetings - Thursdays as posted 10am
Selectboard - Generally meetings every other Tuesday 10:00am. Office weekdays 7am to 3pm.
Building Inspector - Tuesday 12:30pm to 3:30pm. Other times and inspections by appointment
Cemetery Commission - first Friday of every month at 8am.
Conservation Commission - Second and Fourth Thursdays 5:30pm
Finance Committee - January through April. Other times as needed.
Library - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 2-6pm & Saturday 9-12noon 413-528-1474
Planning Board - Please check web page for meeting dates.
School Committee: Second & Fourth Thursdays 6pm Mt. Everett High School Library
Tax Collector: Monday - Friday 7:00am to 3:00pm
Town Clerk - Mon-Thurs 1pm to 3pm or by appointment
Transfer Station - Tuesday & Thursday 8am to 1pm, Saturday 8am to 1pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm
Water Department - Office Clerk weekdays 7am-3pm Meetings as posted.
Zoning Board of Appeals - as needed
To reach a board member or to leave a message please call the Town Hall 528-0182.

Business listings:
In an effort to promote local small businesses, the following businesses/services located in, or near, Egremont have agreed to be listed here. If we missed asking you and you wish to be included, please send your information to the Town Hall.
Support local businesses:

The Inn at Sweet Water Farm - B&B
1 Prospect Lake Road
413-528-2882 www.innsweetwater.com

Robin's Chair Caning - Chair caning and repairs.
Robin Walther
116 Egremont Plain Road
413-528-2537
robinschaircaning@gmail.com

41 Main Antiques Gallery - Vintage and modern furniture, antiques, collectibles, architectural and decorative objects.
413-528-0112
www.41mainantiques.com

Blue Rider Stables - Therapeutic Horseback Riding Lessons, summer programs
www.bluerider.org
413-528-5299

Green River Arabians & Pintos -
Horse Boarding, lessons, judging, farm programs
413-528-2367 arabpinto13@yahoo.com

Indian Line Farm - Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) & Farmers Markets
413-528-8301
www.indianlinefarm.com

Ivory Pond Farm -
Llamas, Yarn and Woolens. Dancing Crane Rug Hooking Studio. Hooked rugs, lessons and supplies.
Tom & Liz Marino
413-528-9465
www.lizmarinorughooking.com
Llamama@wildblue.net

Turner Farms Maple Syrup - Phillips Road, open 7am to 7pm 7 days a week.
Syrup and Honey
413-528-5710

Skip DelVaglio – Old Drone Apiary at Frog Cottage (Local Honey)
1257 Sheffield – Egremont Road
413 528-2308

Frog Cottage Goodies: Phyllis & Cynthia
Pies, cakes, cookies, fudge, fruitcakes, cheesecakes
1257 Sheffield/Egremont Road
Great Barrington MA 01230
413-528-2308

Zorn Core Fitness -
Personal, Couples & Group Training
Cardio Room - $25 @ month Free 1 month cardio for Egremont residents zornari@gmail.com
46 Main Street, South Egremont
413-528-1594 www.zorncorefitness.com
Yoga at Zorn Core Fitness, with Karin Beebe
Ashtanga Yoga & Gentle/Hatha Yoga
46 Main Street, South Egremont
413-528-0828
kbyoga@gmail.com

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Health Coaching - Marblehillwellness.com
Robi@marblehillwellness.com

Clean Healthcare Products
Hotpoint Health
www.hotpointhealth.com

Old Egremont Country Store - groceries, beer, wine, liquor, newspapers, lottery, & much more
413-528-4796

Blueberry Lane Home Design - Interior decorating
413-528-9633

Steve Agar - driving services
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413-854-7269

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413-528-0102 413-717-2443

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NORTH EGREMONT. It took two votes and nearly an hour of discussion to do it, but this town now has a street known as Buttonball Lane.

An article in the warrant for yesterday's town meeting here asked that a small section of the so-called Sheffield Road near the Egremont Town Hall in South Egremont be renamed Buttonball Lane.

Frederick W. Lord of Stockbridge, a former local resident said there is "a beautiful buttonball tree" there.

"It's not a buttonball, it's an American sycamore," Erik H. Haupt, a tree surgeon, pointed out.

"The buttonballs were called buttonballs in the 1800s," Roy Farnum replied.

"In my opinion, that's a cottonwood," Henry J. Hoffman stated.

"Buttonball's an old Yankee name for sycamore, " Oliver C. Wilcox said. "A cottonwood's entirely different."

"Will it cost any money?" one man asked.

"About $6 for a new sign," Selectman Kimball Spahr replied.

Mr. Farnum objected to the expenditure for a sign, pointing out that nobody who would be voting on the question lived anywhere near the road. Chandler Whipple of Bow Wow Road said street signs bearing picturesque names have short lives and "usually find their way to some college dormitory."

The name change was passed, however, by a show of hands. The vote was 36-25 after a motion to table the matter had been defeated, 39-25. Mr. Haupt voted for Buttonball Lane.

The Egremont Village School.
My education from 1940 to 1948 By Richard Burdsall

July 31, 1940 was my sixth birthday. In September 1940 I was enrolled in the first grade at the South Egremont Village School. There was no pre-school or Kindergarten. The classroom was one room with eight grades, six rows of desks, six desks per row. Each grade was grouped together, and each grade had 4-5 students. Each spring we had a school picture taken, and I have a picture where there are 35 of us.

Eight grades, one room, thirty-five students, ages 6-14, eight curriculums of three subjects for each grade. Children moved up a grade as they became proficient in the course work.

One teacher, Mr. Nelson Salling.

So what did I learn, and how did I learn it, during my years at the South School?

I was able to learn to read easily by the time I was seven. We used the Dick and Jane series of reading text books and they became increasingly more difficult with each grade level. The story lines were engaging enough, but the visits to their Grandfather's squeaky-clean farm were nothing like the farms many of us lived on! You could move through the series at your own pace regardless of your grade level. "See Spot run, run Spot run" is the opening sentence of book 1, series 1 for first graders!

We learned do math, both number functions, and math lessons in texts. Math increased in difficulty as we went through the grades. We had no algebra or geometry.

We learned to write ***descriptions of people and things, essays that told stories****, and* ***writing that explained things****. Some of us were proficient in writing and math by fourth grade. Those who found subjects difficult got tutoring or extra help right at their desks. We all learned something more by listening to the teacher explain things to other students.*

Most of us had small bottles of ink, and we wrote with our own fountain pens which we called "ink pens. "We also had pencils which were provided by the school. Some of our work was done on slate chalk boards for all to see. They were called black boards, and we used white chalk sticks, and felt erasers. Everywhere there wasn't a window there was a black chalk board.

Penmanship, or the ability to write "cursive" was easy for some, and hard for others. It was very hard for me, and my hand writing to this day is atrocious. Fortunately none of us were graded on it!

We had no science, no history, no Phys ed, only one play, no languages, nor anything else that is in a modern elementary school curriculum. Oddly we had smatterings of both music and art.

We had a beat-up upright piano against an inner wall, and nearly every week Mrs. Charlotte Moffat arrived to play songs for us. Often we sang semi religious songs like White Christmas, Jacob's Ladder, and Michel Row the Boat Ashore. Sometimes we sang songs out of a set of worn hymnals from the school bookcase. The best part of this enjoyable time was when she allowed requests. Most of our families had radios and we were up on the latest tunes. We all knew the 1940's release "You are My Sunshine ", and Mrs. Moffat gamely played "Pistol Packing Mama" and the scandalous 'Rum and Coca-Cola' as we sang gustily along. A particular favorite was "Mairzy Doats and Doze Doats" and I can still hear her banging out "Chattanooga Choo Choo "and "Don't Fence Me In" as we struggled with the lyrics. Her radio must have been working overtime at home in order to keep up with our tastes in popular music!

Art was sporadic at best . As I said, we had chalk boards on three walls. On the four popular holidays, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter, we chose among us to form about six teams and each team was given a board to draw a scene on. It was not a competition, and the pictures were mostly planned and drawn by the older students. For these projects Mr. Salling brought out a rare treasure. He provided four boxes of colored chalk that were shared among the teams! The drawing was done during some of the class time, but mostly during recesses. The completed works were admired by us for several days, and after an observed holiday, erased. The colored chalk was returned to Mr. Salling's desk drawer for the next holiday.

Yet with all that we didn't have in our education, students who went on to Searles High School on tuition seemed to do comfortably well for their four years there.

There was no bussing. All the South School children in the village walked to school, even the first graders. Those going to South School from farms and rural homes walked in good weather and were taken to school by car or truck in bad weather. After serious snowstorms, the school was closed until the roads were cleared enough for

traffic. In decent weather kids rode back and forth to school on patched up single speed balloon tire bikes that were handed down through the family.

The South school had a larger facility than the other two one room schools in our district. The South school had a second smaller room behind the classroom that was used for recess in bad weather. It also housed both the boys' and girls' bathrooms, a water fountain, and a giant wood fired gravity hot air furnace. The South school was built in 1880. It was 60 years old when I started there in 1940.

Every student brought a boxed lunch or bag lunch which we ate in the school room at the beginning of the 12 to 12:45 recess. After we had eaten our lunch, we went outside and played Red Rover, Steal the Flag, softball, marbles, tag, mumbley peg, and similar games in the schoolyard. This is where we learned some of our social skills, which sometimes included a wrestling type of 'physical contact'. These happened when Mr. Salling was eating his lunch inside and he never seemed to notice our squabbling.

Other recesses were 15 minutes at 10: 30 ***and*** *15 minutes at 2 o'clock. School let out at 3:00. Village children walked home and the young country kids, in nice weather, walked home with their brothers, sisters, or just older kids going their way. In bad weather parents found a way to pick up their kids, and others who might live on their route from home to school.*

So, in September 1940 I walked into the school building with my older brother, Walter, for my first day of school in first grade. I met my three classmates. They were Jimmy Ten Broeck, Johnny Schneider, Susan Williams (Trag), and I, Richie Burdsall, was the fourth.

What I have described are some of the more memorable parts of my education in a one-room school in the 1940's. The more I go over these eight years, the more memories seep back into my conscious mind.

Richard H. Burdsall
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THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

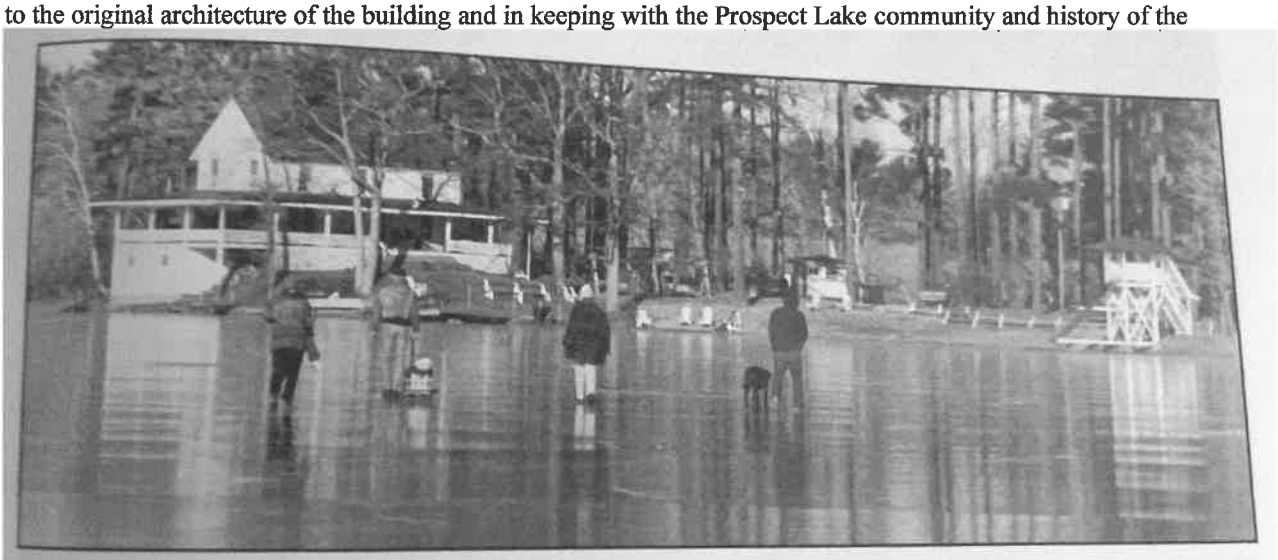
The Cliff House

This is the earliest known photo of the Cliff House, taken shortly after the building was completed 1876-7.

If you have ventured out on Prospect Lake or explored the beach at Prospect Lake Park any time since 1876 you could not avoid noticing an imposing structure perched on a rock outcropping at the eastern edge of the lake. Not intended to draw attention to itself, the building served as a viewing platform for the enjoyment of the surrounding lake and hills, a place to dance, play and enjoy nature. This structure has been known as the Cliff House. It originally served as a recreation hall, a scenic residence for the owners, and a small tavern with rented rooms for guests. Then, over the years it was expanded to include a promenade and a boat house.

The house was built, on the newly named Prospect Lake, by John E. Van Bramer during the year 1876-1877 in response to changing times. The concept of leisure and country vacations became part of the life-style not just for the "rich and famous" with their Adirondack and Berkshire Hills camps but for "every man". The Cliff House, with its adjacent picnic ground, lake, beach, water slide, camp sites and cabins became a popular destination. Part of trend that transformed life in the Berkshires for almost 150 years.

Following a succession of ownership beginning with the Van Bramer's in the 1870's, followed by Millard and then the Siter family in 1924. In 1958 the park was purchased and the campground expanded by Helen and Bill Carroll and then operated by the Palma tier family. Recently purchased by Ian Rasch and Roman Montano of Alander Construction, the Cliff House will revert back to a dining and recreation facility for the complex following the next trend as a "Glamping" resort for the "almost rich and perhaps not so famous" fun seekers and vacationers of today. On behalf of the historical commission, we hope these renovations will be historically sensitive to the original architecture of the building and in keeping with the Prospect Lake community and history of the property.



Walking on clear ice, circa1980s.

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On-Going

Jug-End Reservation: **The Historical Commission continues working with the DCR and Jeff Bendremer,** Tribal Historic Preservation Officer on finalizing the area history and jointly developing a plan for possibly creating an interactive historic site recognizing the role of the Mohicans in our community and the layers of history embodied in this location.

Membership: We are very sorry that Abigail Rogers-McKee and Douglas Cooper will be leaving the Commission, but are ever grateful for their generous efforts on behalf of the preservation of our town's history.

Our town has a deep, rich and interesting history. We welcome any of our fellow Egremonters who would like to join one of our monthly meetings, learn about our mission and projects and stay to pitch in.

The Academy Building: The work has been completed on the belfry and we will be returning to our archives, updating our inventory and readying the space for visitors.

The Glass Beer Stein: Like a letter in a bottle, a 1750 blown glass beer stein appeared in the mail from a local now living in California. The stein has been authenticated and appraised and will add its story to our ever growing archive.

Dirt Roads: We are in the process of documenting and archiving photos of our dirt roads which add so much to the rural quality of our two villages. If you have any photos to share please email them to eghistcomm@egremont-ma.gov.

MACRIS: **We continue to add to document our inventory of historic properties. Please tune into the website at** https://mhc-macris.net/ **and learn about your home and your community.**

Learn more about the pollination process and how to identify these small creatures.

Join Robert Gegear, PhD, assistant professor at UMASS Dartmouth and creator of the Beecology Project, for an opportunity to become a citizen reporter using the Beecology App.

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What are the eligible trip purposes?	Non-emergency medical appointments, employment, meals, food pantry, recreational activities, rehabilitation services, shopping and social services	Non-emergency medical appointments, senior center, jobs and job training sites, grocery store, food pantry, adult care facilities	All trips are eligible. Rides are available for seniors only to Monterey and New Marlborough and medical appointments in Pittsfield.
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