

E. KINGSTON EDITION

"No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn. April is a promise that May is bound to keep, and we know it."
-Hal Borland



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The Results Are In!

Well, it goes without being said that March 14th, this years voting day, was a messy one. While the turn out was slightly less than normal years, we still had just under 400 people cast their votes on this years ballots.

A huge thanks to our road agent, town clerk, selectmen's office, and the many election workers who battled the weather all day to keep the polls open for the rest of us.

If you'd like to see the election results, you can find them at www.eknh.org/home/news/town-election-results or in person at the Town Offices or the East Kingston Public Library.

Town of East Kingston Annual Rabies Clinic

by Barbara Clark, Town Clerk



Dr. Kirk Smith of the Amesbury Animal Hospital and the Town of East Kingston will hold its Annual Rabies Clinic on Saturday, April 22, 2023, from 12:00pm - 2:00pm at the East Kingston Town Office Building parking lot, 24 Depot Road.

A fee of \$17.00 will be charged for each animal. Any domestic animal may be brought to the clinic but must be restrained by a leash or in a cage.

Please bring the pet's most recent proof of rabies certification so that a three-year vaccination can be offered. Otherwise, all vaccinations will cover a one-year period.

The Town Clerk's Office will also be open during this time to issue dog licenses to East Kingston residents.

East Kingston residents are reminded that April 30th is the deadline for dog owners to license their dogs with the Town Clerk. This applies to all dogs, three months and older. A certificate of rabies vaccination is required as well as proof of neutering/spaying.

You can license your dog online at: www.eknh.org.

East Kingston Edition

Town of East Kingston
www.eknh.org

Town Clerk & Tax Collector

(603) 642-8794

Monday: 8am - 5pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

8am - 2:30pm

Wednesday: 5pm - 7pm

Town Administration

(603) 642-8406

Monday: 8am - 4pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

8am - 2:30pm

Wednesday: 11am - 7pm

East Kingston Police

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: (603) 642-5427

East Kingston Fire

ekfd.org

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: (603) 642-3141

East Kingston Public Library

eastkingstonlibrary.org

(603) 642-8333

ekpublib@comcast.net

Monday & Wednesday:

9am - 5pm

Tuesday & Thursday:

11am - 7pm

Friday & Saturday:

9am - 1pm

E. Kingston Elementary School

(603) 642-3511

EKES on the web: eks.sau16.org

SAU16 on the web: sau16.org

Newsletter Deadlines

Submissions for the following month must be submitted by the

17th of each month. Send

submissions to

newsletter@eastkingstonnh.gov

Thank you, East Kingston

by East Kingston Conservation Commission

East Kingston voters:

Thank you for renewing your commitment to preserving our rural character by approving a \$4 million conservation bond. This enables us, with the Select Board, to raise money as needed when a conservation opportunity arises.

Our goal is to permanently set aside another 600 acres, to achieve our goal of 25% total land conserved in town. For more details, go to eknh.org/conservation-commission.



Special thanks to all of our conservation partners and advocates, especially Friends of Kingston Open Space (F.O.K.O.S.), LCHIP, the Society for the Protection of NH Forests (SPNHF), Southeast Land Trust of NH (SELT), and UNH Extension.

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Adam Barss, Vicki J. Brown, Julie Ostopchuk, Gordon Powers and Dennis Quintal (Chair)
East Kingston Conservation Commission

East Kingston Elementary School board Update

by Andy Herum, School Board Chair

New Member - Kirsten Soroko:

The East Kingston School Board welcomed Kirsten Soroko as its newest member. Andy Herum will be taking over as Chair, Tiffany DaBrieo will be the Vice Chair.

School Board Meeting Dates:

April 12th, May 10th, June 14th. All times at 5:30 in the EKES Library.

Meeting times and dates subject to change. Please see the EKES website for the latest information - www.eks.sau16.org

EK Town T-Ball Spring 2023 Registration is now open:

EK T-Ball offers 4-6 year old's the ability to learn the basics of baseball while making friends with other children in town. This is a fun program that will emphasize basic skills and sportsmanship.

Practices start in mid-late April, with games starting against other towns from the area in May.

www.eknh.org/recreation-department

Friends of EKPL (FoEKPL) News

by FoEKPL

🌸 Friends 1st Quarter Meeting

We hope you will join us for the 1st Quarter Friends Meeting to learn more about the group and how your help is needed (and appreciated). The meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 3rd at 5pm** and a Zoom option will be available. Please check the Friends' webpage for details and meeting materials.

🌸 Book, Bake & Plant Sale @ EKPL May 20th

Saturday, May 20th 10am-2pm (rain date: June 3rd)

The Friends group has been busy planning the Book, Bake & Plant Sale. This is an important fundraiser for the library. We hope to see you, your family and friends at this fun event, but in the meantime, we can use your help.

🌸 April at The Used Book Store (UBS)

Located at the Pound School; open Fridays 10am-5pm and Saturdays 10am-1pm (10am - 3pm on 4/29).

Stop in and check out our April specials:

- **Top & Bottom Shelves Sale:** 3 for the price of 1
- Half Price on **Gardening** books
- Great selection of **Romance** and **Young Adult** books

The UBS loves kids and **April 29th is our first 5th Saturday KIDS SALE event** with extended hours and special displays and books for our younger friends. Stop on in!

🌸 Charitable Games of Chance Dates

FoEKPL receives 35% of the profits from Oceanfront Gaming Casino on Hampton Beach on designated dates. Our upcoming dates include April 5th & 6th and June 3rd & 4th.

2023 Membership Drive

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2023 Friends Membership drive! As we've mentioned before, this is our most important fundraising period. If you would still like to donate, it is not too late! Pledge forms can be found at the library, the Used Book Store, or please send us an email at friendsofekpl@gmail.com.



Book, Bake and Plant Sale

Saturday
May 20, 2023
10-2

Please contact the Friends of the East Kingston Public Library if you would like to donate any plants, seedlings or baked goods.

friendsofekpl@gmail.com

Bring the whole family - something for everyone, including kid's activities
Rain date: Saturday June 3rd



Do you love books? Do you have a few hours to spare Friday or Saturday?

The Pound Used Book Store is looking for more volunteers.

contact: Carol Powers at carol.jim.powers@comcast.net

Republicans to Meet

The Newton, East Kingston, Kensington and South Hampton (NEKS) Republican Town Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00 pm.

Our Republican Town Committee is an organization of voters who meet monthly to learn about the Republican Party and support its candidates and principles.

Any and all Republican voters, and like-minded independents, are invited to participate in the committee.

For detailed information about the meeting please email neksrepublicans@icloud.com

All Together Now - Summer Reading 2023

by Zoe Sucu, Library Director

It's that time of year once again! We are officially knee deep in summer reading planning.

This years theme is All Together Now and is focused around kindness and community. Our program will start on June 26th and go until August 12. We've got a bunch of new and exciting things coming your way for children and adults alike.

As always, if there is something you wish to see, please don't hesitate to email us directly at ekplsummer@gmail.com.



The graphic features the text "All Together Now" in a large, green, cursive font. A small bee is positioned above the word "All", and a green flower is to the right of "Together". Below "Now" is another green flower. To the right of the text is a large, detailed illustration of a bumblebee. In the bottom left corner, there is a jar of honey with a wooden dipper and a spoon, with a small bee on the lid. The jar has the East Kingston Public Library logo on it. The text "June 26 - August 12" is in brown, "East Kingston Public Library" is in yellow, and "Summer Reading Program 2023" is in pink. The entire graphic is enclosed in a brown border.

All Together Now

June 26 - August 12

East Kingston Public Library

Summer Reading Program 2023

Town of East Kingston Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee Members Wanted

by Ron Morales, Chairman Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee

The East Kingston Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee is seeking interested town residents to serve as members on the Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee. The Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee meets on a quarterly basis to review the past quarters performance metrics and to review action items for the upcoming quarter. Experience is not required, but an understanding Microsoft Office is a plus.

Any person interested in serving should submit a letter of interest as follows:

Ron Morales, Chairman
East Kingston Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee
24 Depot Road
East Kingston, NH 03827
Alternatively, email to rmorales@EASTKINGSTONNH.GOV

Town of East Kingston Trustee of Trust Funds

By Ron Morales, Trustee of the Trust Fund

ALTERNATE MEMBERS WANTED

The East Kingston Trustee of Trust Funds is seeking interested town residents to serve as alternate members on the Trustee of Trust Funds. Alternate members will participate as voting members when a regular member is absent or unable to serve on any matter. Alternate members are encouraged to attend all meetings to keep themselves informed and to familiarize themselves with Trustee procedures; however, this is not required.

The Trustee of Trust Funds meets as required to act on requests for funds from the Capital Reserve and Capital Trust Funds and any other matters that come before the Trustees. Experience is not required, but an understanding of investments is desirable.

Any person interested in serving should submit a letter of interest as follows:

Ron Morales, Trustee
East Kingston Trustee of Trust Funds
24 Depot Road
East Kingston, NH 03827
Alternatively, email to rmorales@EASTKINGSTONNH.GOV



REGISTER TO VOTE



The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session
Saturday April 29, 2023
11:00am to 11:30am

East Kingston Public Library

This session will address checklist items, register new voters, and accept change of party requests.

To register to vote, please bring the following:

- Proof of Identity (photo ID)
- Proof of Age
- Proof of Citizenship (passport, birth certificate or naturalization documents)
- Proof of Domicile (town you which you live)

If you do not have these available, you will need to sign an affidavit attesting to your ID, age, citizenship, and residence (domicile).

Important Dates

- **April 3rd @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting**
 - In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on eknh.org/selectmen.
- **April 10th @ 5:00pm - East Kingston Conservation Commission**
 - In-Person. Meetings will be held at the Town Offices. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/conservation-commission.
- **April 12th @ 5:30pm - EKES School Board Meeting**
 - In Person. Meeting will be held in the EKES Library. More information can be found at eks.sau16.org.
- **April 17th @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting**
 - In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on eknh.org/selectmen.
- **April 20th @ 7:00pm - Planning Board Meeting**
 - In Person. Meetings are held at the Pound School. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/planning-board.
- **April 24th @ 5pm - EKPL Board of Trustees**
 - In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the East Kingston Public Library. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on eastkingstonlibrary.org.
- **April 27th @ 7:00pm - Zoning Board**
 - In Person. Meetings are held at the Pound School. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/zoning-board-adjustment.