# E. KINGSTON EDITION



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by Supervisors of the Checklist

The Supervisors of the checklist will be in session on Saturday September 3, 2022, from 2:30pm to 3:00pm at the Pound School, Depot Road, East Kingston NH.

This session will address checklist items and register new voters.

September 3, 2022 will be the last day Supervisors of the check list will be accepting voter registration applications. NO ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS SHALL BE MADE TO THE CHECKLIST AFTER THIS SESSION UNTIL STATE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY.

Voters may register to vote at the polls on election day September 13th, 2022, at the East Kingston Elementary School 5 Andrews Lane, East Kingston NH

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).

### **Bulk Waste & eWaste/White Goods Stickers**

By Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

#### **Bulk Waste**

The Bulk Waste pickup requires a sticker system such as the one we use for the White Goods. Each household will be allowed 2 free stickers and may purchase additional stickers for \$20 each. They must pick them up at the Town Clerks Office. Town Clerks Office (603) 642-8406 Option #2.

#### Town Clerks Office hours are:

Monday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 5p.m.-7 p.m.

A log will be kept to record each household that picks up their free stickers as well as any purchased. Bulky items are defined below, any other items will not be picked up even if they have a sticker. Bulk Waste is defined as: A large item or bundle, other than commercial construction and demolition debris, hazardous waste, White Goods or CRT's, which cannot fit into a cart. Items shall include, but not be limited to: tables, chairs, couches, bed frames, mattresses, bedsprings, grills, lawnmowers (without fuel tank), bathroom fixtures, etc.

The Bulk Waste Pickup is Monday, September 19, 2022. Maplevale residents on side streets need to bring bulky items out to Maplevale Road. Cricket Hill is a private road with limited access for large trucks and will not participate in Bulk Waste Collection.

#### White Goods and Electronic Waste

White goods, like household appliances, and electronic waste will be collected on Monday, October 17, 2022. REMINDER: each white good or electronic item placed at the curb will require a \$20 sticker purchased from the Town Clerk. Then call WM with the sticker number(s) the week prior to collection to notify them what white goods or electronic waste you'll be placing at the curb. WM (800) 972-4545.

NO CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH 2 P.M.

YOU MAY PICK UP YOUR STICKERS FOR BOTH EVENTS ANYTIME BEFORE THE COLLECTION DATES DURING THE TOWN CLERKS BUSINESS HOURS.

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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

\*Please be aware that the pandemic may affect normal business hours. It may be best to call before attempting a visit.\*

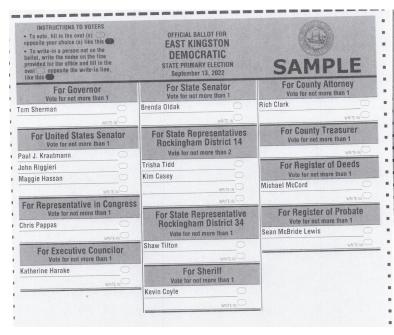
## **Voter Information**

by Barbara J. Clark, Town Clerk

Absentee ballots for the State Primary Election, to be held on September 13, 2022, are now available in the Town Clerk's Office. If you meet the state's requirements and qualifications and are unable to vote in person because of disability, religious beliefs, military service, or because of temporary absence, you may vote by using an absentee ballot.

You will need to complete an absentee ballot application form. Once completed, the application form needs to be returned to the Town Clerk's Office. NOTE: Do not use a sharpie or marker to mark your ballot. Please use a pen or a number 2 pencil.

State Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022. Polls will be open from 8:00am to 7:00pm at the East Kingston Elementary School, Multipurpose Room.

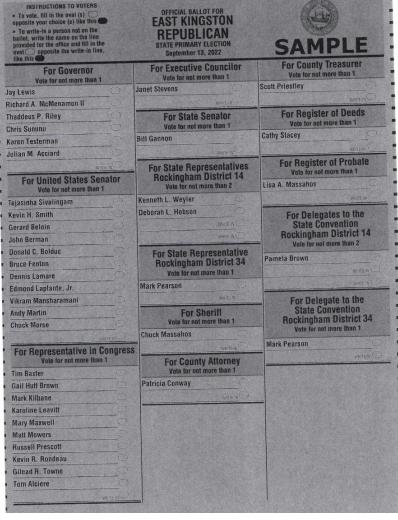


Absentee ballots are available at the Town Offices.

<u>Application for absentee</u>

<u>ballot is included at the back</u>

<u>of this document.</u>



## East Kingston Girl Scouts Help Monarch Butterflies

by Pollinator Pathways NH

Girl Scouts leader Karen Cumings and Girl Scouts from East Kingston and Exeter made milkweed seed packets and donated 50 of them to the Kensington Conservation Commission for the Hodges Lodges Trail Run fundraiser on Aug. 13.

Milkweed plants are the only plants that monarch caterpillars can eat to mature into adult monarch butterflies. In July 2022, monarchs were classified as endangered species by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), due to habitat loss and climate change.

Milkweed and other seeds to support monarch butterflies and our wild pollinator friends will be available again this year at the annual Pollinator Pathways NH seed giveaway in October. Go to <a href="mailto:facebook.com/pollinatorpathwaysnh">facebook.com/pollinatorpathwaysnh</a> or sign up for the monthly email at PPNH18@gmail.com.



Monarch butterfly on swamp milkweed flowers. Credit: Vicki J. Brown

## Library Garden Grows Food, Community

by Vicki J. Brown

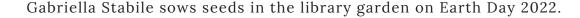
Last year, East Kingston Elementary School parents thought it would be great to have a community garden of vegetables and cheerful flowers. Founder Jennifer Dervan and her family got donations and built and filled raised beds at the East Kingston Public Library.

In the town's first annual Earth Day celebration on April 22, Shelby Stabile and her twin daughters, Elizabeth and Gabriella, sowed veggie and cut-and-come-again zinnia seeds – all donated by Shelby and many harvested last fall.

The library has harvested zucchini, string beans and tomatoes; corn will be ready soon. On the way are carrots, fall squash and mini pumpkins, for kids to decorate in the fall.

"The vegetables usually go to the first lucky patron in the morning. Sometimes we feed the guinea pigs, Sherlock and Watson," said East Kingston Public Library's Director, Tracy Waldon.

"The garden provides fruit and vegetables for food, while also supporting health and well-being in our wonderful town of East Kingston," said Shelby Stabile, the garden's organizer. "I encourage people to join in!"





### Friends of EKPL

By FoEKPL

September greetings! Did you know there are many ways that you can support the East Kingston Public Library this month?

Get an early start on your Fall reading or start your new school year by visiting the Used Book Store (UBS) at the Pound School Fridays 10-5 or Saturdays 10-1 to check out this month's specials:

- Vintage books large and varied selection of old books in great condition
- Gems and their history we have a new gemologist donation of books
- Romance novels shop our new donation of three boxes of romance novels
- Overstocks priced to sell!
- Plays and Poetry our sale continues
- Sneak preview Christmas!!

The FoEKPl receives 35% of the profits from Oceanfront Gaming Casino on Hampton Beach on our Charitable Gaming Nights of September 8th and 9th.

Make your Back to School shopping dollars go a little further by signing up for Amazon Smile and allowing amazon.com to donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the Friends of the East Kingston Public Library. Log into your Amazon account on smile.amazon.com and set the "Friends of the East Kingston Public Library" as the charitable organization associated with your account.

Mark your calendar to join us at the next FoEKPL Quarterly Meeting on Thursday, October 13th at 6:00 at the Library to learn more about the group and how to support programming at the

East Kingston Library.

Stop by the library, Used Book Store or the East Kingston's September Farmers Market to purchase your Friends drawstring bags or to purchase tickets for the Grumpy Whale's Star Quilt Raffle.

As always, thank you for your support! Please follow our new FaceBook Page "Friends of East Kingston Public Library", visit our webpage at <a href="https://www.eastkingstonlibrary.org/friends-of-ekpl">www.eastkingstonlibrary.org/friends-of-ekpl</a> or email us at <a href="mailto:friendsofekpl@gmail.com">friendsofekpl@gmail.com</a> for more information.



Pictured to the right: Zoe, Nancy and Tracy at the Summer Market, on August 14th.

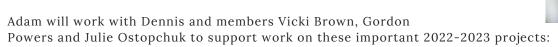
## Adam Barss Joins the East Kingston Conservation Commission

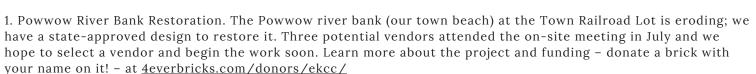
by EK Conservation Commission

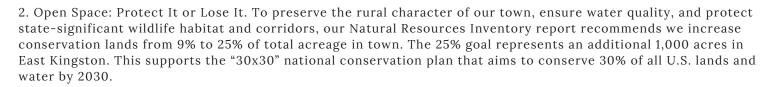
The East Kingston Conservation Commission (EKCC) welcomes Adam Barss as a new member. Adam was sworn in on August 8, 2022 and joined the August EKCC meeting.

Adam has lived in town with his wife Shannon and 4 kids since 2013. He works at Borrego Energy as a Senior Environmental, Health and Safety Manager and in his free time enjoys running, playing sports and coaching soccer for his kids.

"We are grateful to Adam and other conservation commission members for their expertise and for volunteering their time to support our beautiful town," said Dennis Quintal, EKCC Chair.







If you are interested in joining the Conservation Commission as an alternate or volunteer, please email us at EKconservation@gmail.com. Or attend one of our monthly meetings on the second Monday of the month at 5pm at the Town Office (downstairs).

We hope to meet fellow residents at the town Farmers' Market each month. Find conservation easement and other resources at <a href="https://www.eknh.org/conservation-commission">www.eknh.org/conservation-commission</a>

Dennis Quintal - Adam Barss - Vicki Brown - Gordon Powers - Julie Ostopchuk

## Girl Scout Troop 59300 Update

by Karen Cumings, Girl Scout Leader

Girl Scout Troop 59300 (Kindergarten-Grade 6 from EK and surrounding towns) has had a busy year! We have been learning how to be scientists and participated in a citizen science project, and we have used those observational skills to learn more about our environment and ways that we can protect it. As we begin a new Girl Scout year, we would like to invite you all to come out and see us at the East Kingston Farmer's Market on September 18th. We have worked together to sort and package milkweed seeds for anyone interested in helping to build a habitat for monarch butterflies in their own backyard, and the Juniors will



have some activities for kids to share what they have learned about energizing our bodies and using energy more efficiently. We hope to see you there!

### EKPL Summer Reading Program "Oceans of Possibilities" Ends with a Big Splash!

Starting with a Pirate Party in June and ending with a Beach Party Blast in August, this year's eight-week Summer Program has rivaled others in the past.

In between these events, our dedicated library staff Zoe and Tracy squeezed in an amazing number of well-attended events—a visit from the Seacoast Science Center in the library, a night learning about seagulls, a trivia night with lots of pizza (attended by more than 50 people), and a visit from Nile the Humpback Whale-all culminating in a Family Night at Camp Tricklin' Falls.

EK resident Peter Dervan came to several events throughout the summer with his wife Jen and their two children, eight-year-old Henry, and six-year-old Iona. Pete and Jen said their kids got a lot out of the program. There was even learning snuck in there with the fun.

"It was great to have regular weekly activities to keep our two kids occupied throughout the summer," he said. "It gave them something to do on a regular basis and offered us family-bonding time. It also was an opportunity for us to meet other families in town and get out of the heat. We have a fantastic and dedicated library staff that is really supportive of our community and families. They make the East Kingston Library quite a special place for the town."

## **An Amazing Eight Weeks**

by Zoe Sucu, Library Staff

Tracy and I have been overwhelmed these last eight weeks with the sheer amount of participation in the Summer Reading Program this year. It's been BY FAR our biggest year, in length, programs, and participation. Collectively, our readers read around 1,000 hours in those eight weeks, crafted, played games, learned some cool facts and so much more.

I just want to give out the biggest thank you to all those who joined in on our fun. While it's hard work (we start planning in February, believe it or not), it is so worth it seeing those smiles on kids faces, or watching families spend a night doing something they've never done before. It's what makes it all worth it in the end.

This program would not be possible without the Friends of the Library. Year after year they help provide the programming and supplies to make this program come alive. They're a great organization and I encourage anyone who'd like to learn more to join one of their meetings!

I'd also like to thank Tracy and Sarah for putting up with all my crazy ideas and schemes (and stress). Even shortstaffed, we crushed it. I am eternally grateful.

Zoe



















## **Important Dates**

## • TUESDAY September 6th @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting

- <u>In-Person with Zoom Option</u>. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on <u>eknh.org/selectmen</u>.
- September 12th @ 5:00pm East Kingston Conservation Commission
  - <u>In-Person</u>. Meetings will be held at the Town Offices. More information can be found at <u>www.eknh.org/conservation-</u> commission.
- September 15th @ 7:00pm Planning Board
  - In Person. Meetings are held at the Pound School. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/planningboard.
- September 19th @ 6:30pm Selectmen's Meeting
  - <u>In-Person with Zoom Option</u>. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on <u>eknh.org/selectmen</u>.
- September 26th @ 5pm EKPL Board of Trustees
  - <u>In Person with Zoom Option</u>. Meetings will be held at the EK Public Library. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found at <u>www.eastkingstonlibrary.org.</u>

#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Application for State Election Absentee Ballot-RSA 657:4

Absence, Religious Observance, or Disability

For
Official
Use
Only
Voter Not
registered

Voter ID#

Date Returned:

Date Mailed:

Date Requested:

Last Name: First Name:

	(Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Voters Residing Outside the U.S. use the federal post card application)								
	I. I hereby declare that (check one):								
	I am a duly qualified voter who is currently registered to vote in this town/ward.								
	<ul> <li>I am absent from the town/city where I am domiciled and will be until after the next election,</li> </ul>								
	or I am unable to register in person due to a disability, and request that the forms necessary for								
	absentee voter registration be sent to me with the absentee ballot.								
II. I will be entitled to vote by absentee ballot because (check one):									
	I plan to be absent on the day of the election from the city, town, or unincorporated place								
	where I am domiciled.								
	I am confined in a penal institution for a misdemeanor or while awaiting trial.								
	I am requesting a ballot for the presidential primary election and I may be absent on the								
	day of the election from the city, town, or unincorporated place where I am domiciled, but								
	the date of the election has not been announced. I understand that I may only make such a								
_	request 14 days after the filing period for candidates has closed, and that if I will not be								
	absent on the date of the election I am not eligible to vote by absentee ballot.								
	I cannot appear in public on election day because of observance of a religious commitment.								
	I am unable to vote in person due to a disability.								
	I cannot appear at any time during polling hours at my polling place because of an								
	employment obligation. For the purposes of this application, the term "employment" shall								
	include the care of children and infirm adults, with or without compensation.								
	For use only on the Monday immediately prior to the election: I cannot appear at my								
	polling place on election day because the National Weather Service has issued a winter storm								
	warning, blizzard warning, or ice storm warning for election day applicable to my city, town, or unincorporated place and either (check one):								
	I am elderly or infirm or I have a physical disability, and would otherwise vote in person but I have concerns for my safety traveling in the storm.								
	I anticipate that school, child care, or adult care will be canceled, and would otherwise								
	vote in person but will need to care for children or infirm adults.								
	Any person who votes or attempts to vote using an absentee ballot who is not entitled to								
	vote by absentee ballot shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. RSA 657:24								
	III. I am requesting an official absentee ballot for the following election (check only								
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	affiliation with a party and I am requesting a ballot for that party's primary (check								
	only one):								
	*State Primary Election to be held on September 13, 2022								
	Democratic Party Republican Party								
	State General Election to be held on November 8, 2022								
	OR								
	*State Special Primary Election to be held on //								
	Democratic Party Republican Party								
	State Special General Election to be held on/								

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