

Northfield News

April Edition

Breaking News

2024 DOG LICENSES ARE IN

Dogs must be registered by April 30th per State Law
Please stop by Town Hall, or register on-line. Give us a call to verify if we have received your rabies vaccination (603) 286-4482

License Fees:

Puppies (4-7 months) \$6.50

Male/Female \$9.00

Kennel/Group Home \$20.00 (5 or more dogs)

Spayed or Neutered \$6.50

Owner over age 65 \$2.00 (first dog only)

If you no longer have a dog, please let us know so we may update our records.

Clerks office hours:

Mon, Tue, Thu 8:30am - 4:30pm;

Wed 8:30am - 6:30pm;

Fri 8:30am - 12:00pm



WINNISQUAM WHINNIES 4H RABIES CLINIC

Please make sure animals come on leashes or in carriers!

PRICES:
\$15 - 1 or 3 yr Rabies
(please bring prior Rabies certificate if 3yr Rabies is needed)
Cash Only

There will be a representative from both Northfield and Tilton town hall to register your dog for their 2024 license if you reside in those towns!

Northfield Town Hall
Back Parking Lot

21 Summer Street
Northfield, NH 03276

Homemade 4H Cat & Dog Toys will be available for purchase!!

Saturday April 27, 2024
Time: 10am - 12pm

The advertisement features a green background with white text and illustrations of a dog and a cat. It includes details about pricing, cash-only payment, and the location of the clinic. There are also icons of paw prints at the bottom right.

NEW CURBSIDE TRASH COLLECTION

The week of April 1, 2024 the new curbside collection changes will be implemented for all residential homes 2 units or less.

The service being provided will be fully automated. This means the truck will pull up to your container, lift the container and place it back down in the same location. Multiple containers must be placed next to each other at least (6) six inches apart.

Most everyone has received their new container, we are still awaiting some. If you have not received your 32 gallon container, please note it will be arriving soon. If you do not have it by trash day next week, please utilize your old container, or leave your bags at the curbside and a separate truck will be by those homes to collect the trash.

All trash containers come with a serial number to identify ownership, no registration required, they have been logged as the containers have been delivered. If you want your address on the container, please use mailbox stickers, do not spray paint the container.

All trash must be contained within the confines of the trash container. There will be no bags collected that are left outside of the container(s), as well as no bags, boxes or other debris stacked on top of the container. If this occurs, Casella will have to leave the container as is and will be back the following week to collect, if corrected.



PAY AS YOU THROW

The PAYT program changed a few months ago. If you have access trash beyond your allowable curbside containers you can bring any size back to the Transfer Station and drop it off for \$5.00 each. No special bags needed, only household trash is acceptable. Please rinse out your containers and bring them down during normal business hours. Tues & Sat 8am-3pm

RECYCLING CENTER

A great way to save on space in your curbside containers and produce less costly tonnage is the recycle. The Recycling Center accept plastics 1-7 unsorted, no black, no caps, corrugated cardboard (brown cardboard), tin, aluminum, glass and metal. Please rinse out your containers and bring them down during normal business hours. Tues & Sat 8am-3pm



**WE'RE
HIRING!**

The Town of Northfield is seeking candidates to fill the current positions open below. Please visit <https://www.northfieldnh.org> to view how to apply and the full job description, positions will remain open until filled.

Here's your chance to come work with a great team and community



The Northfield Police Department is currently seeking candidates for Police Sergeant and Police Officer

Full benefits package, paid time off, insurance opt out options, sign on bonus, paid holiday, NH Retirement and more.



The Northfield Public Works Department is currently seeking candidates for Truck Driver/Heavy Equipment Operator and Truck Driver/Light Equipment Operator

Full benefits package, NH Retirement, paid time off, holiday pay, insurance opt out option and more



The Northfield Administration Department is currently seeking a candidate for Code Enforcement Officer / Building Inspector

Flexible schedule, gas allowance



The Northfield Police Dept. has received many phone calls this weeks for people being scammed. This is tax season, so many scammer will be on the look out for you as you receive your refunds.

Do Not Be A Victim.

Ongoing scams involving requests for payments involving gift cards or Green Dot cards. The IRS, law enforcement, and any other government agencies do not require payment using gift cards or Green Dot cards. Common scams involve groups claiming to be from the IRS or some other law enforcement agency claiming you need to pay a fine to clear a warrant using gift cards, Green Dot cards, or similar instruments. If you are threatened with arrest or a warrant unless you pay, assume it is a scam and contact the Northfield Police Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT



Pothole season is upon us. The Public Works Department, like most departments throughout New England, will be working hard on road repairs as they come up. With the asphalt plants still closed most pot hole repairs will be temporary. Please use caution on all roads, drive slow, avoid large puddles, and if you see a pot hole, please take the time to go around it. We appreciate your patience as we continue to make the roads safer and easier to travel.

Gravel roads have been posted with a 6 ton weight restriction and asphalt roads have been posted with a 12 ton weight restriction. When planning for a delivery to your property such as fuel, household furnishing & appliances, etc. Please let the delivery companies know about road postings, and if at all possible, to make the delivery first thing in the morning while ground is still frozen. Additionally, when needed we do offer waivers, applications can be found on the Town's website www.northfieldnh.org

The restrictions will remain in place until the spring thaw conditions are such that they can be lifted without damage being done to the roads. For more information, please call 286-4490.





Listening

Session

**With Northfield
Selectman, Ross Cunningham**

Northfield residents are invited to come and talk about pressing issues, concerns, or just chat.

Location: Hall Memorial Library 18 Park St, Northfield

Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Date: April 6, 2024

May 18, 2024

Parks Commission

The Parks Commission continues to meet on the second and fourth Thursday each month. We meet at the Town Hall at 5:30pm, all are welcome to attend.

Raffle Winner

Congratulations to the Winners of the Wood and Pellets

Cord of Wood Winner - John Hanson

Pallet of Pellets Winner - Evelyn Ferrell

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and to Kevin Fife for the Wood and Cyr Lumber of Tilton for the Pellets

EVENTS

The Parks Commission is planning four big events this year. In late spring, early summer at Surette Park we are planning a Gel Blaster event for all ages, we are teaming up with Positive Impact, a local non-profit group working hard at getting kids outside to play. In the summer, we are working on a comedy night for adult at the Pines Community Center. The fall we'll be having our first ever fall festival for all ages, we are teaming up with the T-N Rotary Club. And in the winter, we are keeping the tradition going and planning a Game Night. All events will have food, prizes, raffles, 50/50, all adult events will be BYOB, and the Fall Festival will have a beer tent.

Additionally, this year we will be constructing the announcing booth/concession stand and the gazebo at Pines Park. We will be seeking volunteers as we get closer and the weather is in our favor.

And lastly, the Dragonfly Events is going to host another craft fair in September at Surette Park, there's food, raffles, vendors and lots of crafts. More information will be coming as the date gets closer.

To stay up to date on the events follow the Town on Facebook: Town of Northfield, NH additional information can also be found on the Northfield NH Parks Facebook page.

KEEP YOUR CALENDARS OPEN, YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS

Beaver

Castor Canadensis

Description: The beaver is the largest North American rodent, ranging in weight from 30-100 pounds. Their large webbed hind feet are adapted for swimming, and their broad, flat, leathery tail serves as a rudder and propeller. Although their ears are small, beavers have excellent hearing. Beavers close their ears and nostrils while under water. Beaver teeth, including their bright orange incisors, grow continuously.

Range and Distribution: Beaver occur across most of North America except on the peninsula of Florida, on the Arctic tundra, and in southwestern deserts. Trapping nearly eliminated beaver from New Hampshire by the late 1800's. Six beaver were released in the state between 1926 and 1930 as part of a restocking program. By 1955, the entire state was repopulated. Their numbers continue to increase locally throughout New England.

Habits and Habitat: Beavers are true vegetarians, eating leaves, bark, twigs, sprouts, fruits and buds of shrubs and trees, as well as aquatic plants such as sedges and rushes. Preferred woody plants include alder, aspen, birch, maple and willow. Small diameter stems (<3") are most heavily sought. Beavers typically feed within 100 yards of the edge of a pond. When beaver start gnawing on larger softwoods and less favorable hardwoods, or travel long distances to feed, it is indicative of a dwindling food supply. About 200 aspens support one beaver for one year.

Beaver cache food for the winter, submerging tree and shrub branches next to their lodge. Beavers are usually nocturnal but they may be seen at dawn and dusk making repairs to their lodge or dam or gathering food. Beavers live in colonies which usually consists of an adult pair, the young of the year (kits), and the young of the previous year (yearlings). The number of beavers in a colony is usually five or six, but can be 12 or more. Two-year-olds leave the colony in late spring to establish new colonies of their own.

Beavers are highly territorial. A colony marks its territory, using scent mounds, preventing other beavers from colonizing the area. They construct a large mound where scent is deposited or they deposit scent on small piles of mud carried from the stream bottom to the territory boundary. The territory of a beaver colony extends about 0.5 miles along a waterway.

Beavers are monogamous and pair for life. Breeding occurs in winter with 3-5 kits born in May or June. Litter size may vary with the quantity and quality of food supply. Beaver do not breed until their second or third year. Older females (5 to 13 year olds) produce more offspring.

Beavers dam small to large slowly flowing brooks, streams, or rivers, usually bordered by woodlands. After beavers complete the dam, they construct a lodge in the deepest portion of the pond. If a stream is too large for a beaver to dam, they will build dens or lodges along the banks. An adequate food supply is essential for beaver colonization. Beaver will colonize an area, build a series of dams and lodges, harvest small trees within reach of the impoundment, then move on when food resources are depleted. An abandoned beaver pond will eventually return to the early successional stage of a brook and meadow. Beaver flowages are important habitat for many other species including great blue herons, osprey, kingfisher, mink, otter and muskrat.

Management: Management activities that encourage beaver also can improve waterfowl habitat, particularly for black and wood ducks. Patch cuts around mature aspen and birch near the edge of a wetland can regenerate food supplies and encourage beaver to return. The installation of beaver pipes is an effective way to control water levels and keep beaver from flooding valuable timber stands, roads, and other areas.



April 2024 at Hall Memorial Library



Happy April! Right when you thought you were done with winter, it comes right back! Let's hope Mother Nature doesn't have anymore tricks up her sleeve and lets the warm weather in!



Happy National Library Week! That means it's SPIRIT WEEK!

- Monday: Wear Blue Day (Library Colors)
- Tuesday: Dress like a Book Character Day
- Wednesday: Dress like Steve Day
- Thursday: Hat Day
- Friday: Pajama Day
- Saturday: Shelfie Saturday

Participate to be entered to win a gift certificate to Tilton House of Pizza. One entry for posting a photo in each day's Facebook post, two entries for stopping by the library in person to show off your Spirit!



Story Time (Wednesday 4/3 and 4/17 (Ages 0-5) & Saturday 4/5 and 4/19 (Ages 5-9) at 10:30am): Join Storytime Steve for fun stories and a related craft or activity!

Cardboard Club (Wednesday 4/17 at 3pm): Come build things out of cardboard to your hearts content!

Family Art: Bird Feeders! (Wed 4/24 at 3pm) SPRING into spring with a homemade bird feeder! A fun and interactive craft for both kid and adult!

Owl Trip (Monday April 22 - Saturday April 27) Come to the library this school vacation to grab your Book Owl! We have a PARLIAMENT of Book Owls that need a vacation buddy to help them read their books. Each Book Owl comes with its favorite book that it needs you to read with it. Then, take a picture of your Book Owl on vacation with you and send it to us so we can post all our Book Owl adventures.



Chess Club (Mondays at 3pm): All ages and skill levels.

Board Games for Idiots (Tuesdays at 5pm): Plenty of games for a variety of skill levels.

Sewing Group (Fridays at 10am): Bring your own materials and supplies.

Eclipse Event (Monday April 8th at 2pm) It's finally nice enough to get outside! Come join us for an all ages campfire story event at the Hall Memorial Library. Mr.s Steve will be readying a few exciting stories next to the camp fire. S'mores will be served raw and must be toasted by the fire and assembled by YOU!

Community Campfire (Friday 4/12 at 5pm) It's finally nice enough to get outside! Come join us for an all ages campfire story event at the Hall Memorial Library.

Family Art (Wednesday 4/24 at 3pm) SPRING into spring with a homemade bird feeder! A fun and interactive craft for both kid and adult!

D&D Club (Saturday 4/27 at 1:30pm): Get ready for an adventure! Ages 13+, please register beforehand.



Yoga & Meditation (Wednesdays at 6pm) Join us after hours for a rejuvenating program. All levels are welcome; no experience in meditation or yoga is necessary.

Caroline Crafts: Fabric Bowls! (Friday 4/19 at 4pm) Join us for a creative and hands-on experience!



Read What You Want Book Club (Thurs 4/4 at noon & Mon 4/15 at 6pm) Stop in either (or both!) days to read whatever you want and then talk about it!

Classics Book Group (Thurs 4/11 at 5:30 pm) Reading Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte.

Nooners Book Group (Tues 4/16 at 12pm) Reading Vinegar Girl by Anne Tyler.

Books & Brews (Weds 4/17 at 3:30pm) At Kettlehead Brewing Company. Reading American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins.

Cookbook Club (Mon 4/22 at 1pm) This months' cook book theme is: Brunch! Find a new favorite brunch recipe and bring it to this months' meeting!

Crime Junkies (Fri 4/26 at 4pm) Reading The Angel Makers by Patti McCracken.

TSC Book Club (Mon 4/29 at 10:30am) At Tilton Senior Center. Reading A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline.

Banned Book Club (Tues 4/30 at 5:30pm) Reading Lawn Boy by Jonathan Evison.

PINES COMMUNITY CENTER

ANNUAL EASTER BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH

7:30-10:00AM

**COST: \$10.00 (ADULTS)
& \$5.00 (CHILDREN 3-12)**

Come join us for a delicious all you can eat breakfast of pancakes, french toast, eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, orange juice, etc.

The Easter Bunny will hop by for a visit around 8:30am!



APRIL 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Planning Board 7pm @ Town Hall 	2 Selectboard 5pm @ Town Hall Fire Commissioners 5:30pm @ Tilton Town Hall	3 CIP 5:30pm @ Town Hall	4 Parks Commission 5:30pm @ Town Hall	5 ZBA Applications Due by 5pm	6
7	8 	9	10	11 Parks Commission 5:30pm @ Town Hall	12	13
14	15 Fire Station Bldg Comm 5:30pm @ Tilton Police Station School Board 6pm @ Southwick School	16 Selectboard 5pm @ Town Hall	17 CIP 5:30pm @ Town Hall	18	19 Planning Board Applications Due by 5pm	20
21	22 Zoning Board 7pm @ Town Hall 	23	24	25 Parks Commission 5:30pm @ Town Hall	26	27 Rabies Clinic @ Town Hall 10am-noon
28	29	30				