



# The Milton Gazette

News from the Milton Parks & Recreation Department  
852 White Mountain Highway, Milton, NH 03851



**April 2023**

## **Spring Soccer Sign-ups!**

Registrations forms are out and on the website for any child wishing to play spring soccer. We have our coaches lined up, but could still use some help with this year's program.

The age groups will be U8, U10 & U12. If you played fall soccer, you are familiar with our program. If you are new, you will need to find out which group is most appropriate for your level of play. For more information, please contact rec at 603-652-4501 ext. 8 or email [recreation@miltonnh-us.com](mailto:recreation@miltonnh-us.com)



**Save the Date  
Saturday  
April 22, 2023  
Milton DPW will  
hold the 10th  
Annual Roadside  
Clean Up Day!**

## **Help us clean up your neighborhood!**

Milton Public Works will host the 10th Annual Milton & Milton Mills Roadside Clean Up Day. Residents can call the public works department and pick up bags the week before the clean up. If you would like to participate in this year's clean up you should contact the DPW by either calling (603) 652-9891, or contacting them through e-mail at [miltonhy@metrocast.net](mailto:miltonhy@metrocast.net). This annual community event, is very important to the beautification of our town. A task shared by many, makes a big impact on everyone! We thank everyone in advance for helping out and pitching in!

## **Town of Milton Easter Egg Hunt**

**Saturday  
April 1st  
Milton  
Town Beach**



**Best Decorated Egg  
Contest!  
Basket Raffles  
Golden Ticket Prize  
Crafts  
Easter Bunny!**

**Hunt Times By Group:**  
0 - 1st Grade (10:00 AM)  
2nd - 3rd Grade (10:15)  
4th - 5th Grade at (10:30)  
\*\* Please dress your  
child for outside!

**Participants should**  
bring a basket to collect  
their eggs in!  
After all groups hunt  
everyone can go out  
until all eggs are found!

**We recycle our eggs! After your child has gathered their eggs, please have them empty their eggs and return the plastic eggs to our designated boxes. If we need to relocate this event that day, we will post it on the recreation Facebook Page!**



## **Camp 3 Ponds**

**June 26, 2023 -  
August 18, 2023**

**Registrations for Camp 3 Ponds 2023 are open on April 3rd for Milton and Milton Mills Residents and past campers only! April 17th, we will begin open enrollment for anyone interested in attending this year's program.**

**There is a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit due at registration in order to hold your child's spot. We are a (no cash camp) checks, money orders only. Please plan accordingly!**

# Community News



## **SOLAR ENERGY EXEMPTION**

**Filing Deadline April 15th**

(preceding the setting of the tax rate)

The Solar Exemption was adopted by a majority vote in 2023 to exempt the asses value of qualifying solar related equipment for property tax purposes. This exemption shall be in the amount of 100% of the assessed value of qualifying solar related equipment under the following statue:

**[NH RSA 72:61 Definition of a Solar Energy System](#)**

**[NH RSA 72:62 Definition of a Solar Energy System](#)**

**You must apply for this exemption**

Physical copies may be obtained at the Assessing Office@ The Milton Town Hall.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- ⇒ Applicant must own the real estate which is equipped with a solar energy system on April 1st of the application year.
- ⇒ This exemption does not apply to those properties that generate electricity for resale.
- ⇒ The solar energy system must be installed and operational as of April 1st of the application year.
- ⇒ If the property is held in trust, a PA-33 form or "Statement of Qualification" form must be submitted with the application.

**PLEASE BE AWARE IF YOU DO NOT APPLY FOR THIS EXEMPTION, YOU WILL BE ASSESSED FOR THE FULL VALUE OF YOUR SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM.**

**Town of Milton, 424 White Mountain Highway,  
Milton, NH 03851  
Assessing Department (603) 652-4501 Ext. 6**

**[assessing@miltonnh-us.com](mailto:assessing@miltonnh-us.com)**



**IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR  
DOG LICENSE**

**All Dogs need to be licensed by  
April 30, 2023**



## **PUBLIC MEETINGS MILTON TOWN HALL 424 White Mountain Highway Milton, NH 03851**

April 3, 2023	Board of Selectmen - 6:00 PM
April 4, 2023	Planning Board - 6:30 PM
April 5, 2023	Conservation Meeting - 6:00 PM
April 17, 2023	Milton Free Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting - 10:00 AM
April 17, 2023	Board of Selectmen - 6:00 PM
April 18, 2023	Planning Board - 6:30 PM
April 25, 2023	Budget Committee Meeting - 6:00 PM



# Rabies Clinic

Sponsored by Milton Police Department & Milton Veterinary Clinic

**Saturday, May 6, 2023  
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Milton Highway Department  
803 White Mountain Highway  
Milton, NH 03951**

**(Dogs & Cats must be leashed) (Cats must be in a carrier)  
Prior vaccination records required (unless first time vaccination)**



## Senior Fun



31 Wakefield St. | Rochester, NH 03867  
(603) 335-7500

## Free Drop-In Programs for 50+ Years!

### Nutrition for Seniors - 50+

**Thurs, April 6 - 10:30am** - Rochester Senior Center  
Learn how to improve your diet with Sandy Powers, RN, Wellness Nurse from Cornerstone VNA. She will guide you to improve your nutritional goals, and ways to nourish your spiritual and emotional health. A healthy snack will be served. This is a free program, but pre-registration is required.

### Quilting and Crafting Drop-in

**Mondays from 9:00 -noon** – Rochester Senior Center  
Great for beginners as well as those who are looking to work on current project with company. This is a free, drop-in program. No membership or registration required. Any program updates and cancellations will be posted on [rec.rochesternh.gov](http://rec.rochesternh.gov) and to our department Facebook and Instagram Pages.

### Senior Mobility Class - 50+

**Fridays from 10:00 - 10:30 AM** - Rochester Senior Center  
Over time poor movement, injury, and stationary positions cause our tissues to change and shorten, often resulting in decreased mobility. In North American society the primary impairments are at the shoulder, hip, and ankle. Our mobility class combines soft tissue work with static stretching and stability work to unlock range of motion that has been lost over time and improve positioning. This is a free, drop-in program.

### Chair Yoga—50+

**Wednesdays from 9:30 - 10:30 AM** - This is yoga that uses a chair rather than a mat. We do several warm ups and poses on the chair. Once we come to standing, we use the chair for our support during posture sequences and balancing poses. The chair is convenient so the practitioner does not have to get up and down off the floor only up and down out of the chair. This practice is fantastic for Seniors, anyone recovering from surgery, and any type of joint issues or replacements. Anyone can do it! This is a free, no registration required.

### Senior Breakfast - 50+

**Third Friday of the Month, April 21ST** - 8:30-9:30 AM. Join City of Rochester staff for a morning of conversation, coffee and laughs. Meet new friends, connect with old friends and learn about the Senior Activity Center Breakfast is prepared by Recreation Staff and served buffet style. The food is always good, but the company is GREAT!



### Senior Bingo

Tuesdays, 9:00 - Noon  
Emma Ramsey  
Community Center  
424 White Mtn Highway  
Milton, NH 03851  
603-652-4501 ext. 8

### Senior Luncheon

to be served after bingo on Tuesday, April 11th!  
You do not have to play bingo to come enjoy the dinner after. Luncheon is served directly after the completion of that day's bingo.

We will be serving an Easter Dinner rolls, drinks and dessert.

(\$5.00) donation requested.

Reserve a spot by calling 603-652-4501 ext. 8  
or email [recreation@miltonnh-us.com](mailto:recreation@miltonnh-us.com)  
and put Luncheon in the subject line.

### FOOD AND NUTRITION RESOURCES FOR OLDER ADULTS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program**

Box of food and fresh local produce for income-eligible older adults age 60 and over. To apply, contact your local Community Action Program & Community Health Center at 1-800-942-4321.

#### **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program**

**(SNAP)** Monthly allotment to purchase food at grocery stores, farmers markets, online, and other approved retailers for income-eligible households. To apply, go to [NH EASY](http://NH.EASY) or call Client Services at 1-603-271-9700

#### **The Emergency Food Assistance Program**

Provides perishable and non-perishable foods to NH food pantries, soup kitchens and other access points across the state. For information contact the TEFAP, Coordinator at 1-603-225-3295 ext. 1120





# School & Library Happenings



PTA Calendar fundraiser sales will be from April 7th through May 1st. The drawings will take place at the May 3rd PTA meeting. The Calendars are \$10 each. You may purchase a calendar from an MES student or they will be available at both MES & Nute offices. Cash or Checks can be made out to "Milton PTA". The calendar features cash prizes, local gift cards & more.



Milton Free Public Library  
13 Main Street  
PO Box 127  
Milton Mills, NH 03852  
(603) 473-8535  
mfpl@metrocast.net  
<https://miltonfreepubliclibrary.org/>

**New Offering!**

**HIP-HOP  
AND IT'S CULTURE**

Come learn Hip-Hop and all its components w/ Coach Pires

All Grade Levels 6-12 (16 spots available)

Thursdays and Fridays 2:30-4 in the cafe starting Thursday March 30th  
Sign up on our website: [www.sau64.org/nute](http://www.sau64.org/nute)  
\*All participants must have a permission to treat form filled out\*



**The Class of 2023  
Graduation Date has been  
set for  
Friday, June 10, 2023**

**Nute  
Chorus Concert  
April 20, 2023  
6:00 PM  
Nute High Gym**



**L to R: Library Friend Nancy Drew, Maddie Thompson, Library Director Ruth Gutman, Jacob Perko, Silas Picard**  
**High School Fun Fan Fiction Winners!**

Thank you to all the students who entered this year's high school Fun Fan Fiction contest - we loved reading your work! This year's group of entries was one of the strongest the Friends of the Library had read over all the years they have been giving these awards. It is clear to that there are many talented authors at Nute. Choosing the top three entries was a difficult task. However, when content, style and creativity were taken into account the judges chose the following winners:

Third place and \$50 went to Maddie Thompson for an ambitious plot change to "The Red Queen"; Jacob Perko took second place and \$75 for a clever and suspenseful re-imagining of "The Boy in the Striped Pajamas"; and Silas Picard came in first place for the second year in a row, and took home \$100 for his creative additions to Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

Congratulations to the three winners!

Please check out our website for up-to-date information on monthly programming a special activities!

<https://miltonfreelibrary.org>

## Recreation Information



**Eastern Boats**

Eastern Boats is in the process of giving an overhaul to a very special boat on behalf of the **Veterans Fishing Adventures Program**. The program specializes in taking veteran's out on fishing adventures to honor those who have served.

Eastern employees are converting the boat to become handicapped accessible, along with many other extra amenities to make this an very special boat for them to enjoy . All the Eastern Boat Employees have pitched in with the "tricking out" of this very special vessel and are looking forward to presenting it to the veterans who have given so much to our country!

On **Saturday, April 15th**, a group of those veteran will be traveling from the Washington, DC area for the unveiling of this very special boat, and Eastern Boats President, Greg Hopkins is reaching out to our community to ask if our residents would give them a warm welcome and honor them by lining our downtown area with American Flags and lots of cheers as they come into town! What an awesome opportunity to give thanks to all the veteran's who have sacrificed and put their lives on hold in order to keep our country safe!

As the date gets closer, Greg will let everyone know what time the veterans are expected to arrive in town so our residents who wish to participate and show them some small town love and help make them feel welcome can! After they have gone through town, Greg has invited anyone who would like to see the unveiling of this very special boat to follow them to the boat shop to continue the celebration!

They are reaching out to our community to help us make this a great event for the Veterans Fishing Adventure. If you have any questions give us a call 603-652-9213 or send an email to [hailey@easternboats.com](mailto:hailey@easternboats.com)



**Sat, April 8 - (10:00 AM – 12:00 PM)**

**Branch Hill Farm - Milton Mills, NH**

### **Description**

This workshop will include an introductory presentation on apple grafting as well as hands-on training provided by orchardist and Branch Hill Farm Executive Director Jared Kane. By the end of the class, each person will have completed grafting their own small apple tree to take home, using a scion (living shoot) collected from one of several varieties of local heirloom trees.

If time and weather permit, the group will take a short walk to tour the newly planted Preservation Orchard at Branch Hill Farm.

A minimum donation of \$10 to MMRG is being requested per person to register for this event. Registration is required by April 5th; however earlier registration is advised since the class size is limited to 20, and usually sells out quickly!



**Saturday, April 15, 2023 - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Discover WILD New Hampshire Day is a fun way for the whole family to explore New Hampshire's wildlife resources and legacy of outdoor traditions. Browse educational exhibits presented by environmental and conservation organizations from throughout the state. See live animals, big fish and trained falcons. Try your hand at archery, casting, fly-tying and B-B gun shooting. Watch retriever dogs in action. Get creative with hands-on craft activities for the kids. Plus, check out the latest hunting and fishing gear and gadgets!



## Local Information



**NH Farm Museum**  
1305 White Mtn Hwy  
PO Box 644  
Milton, NH 03851  
[www.farmmuseum.org](http://www.farmmuseum.org)  
(603) 652-7840  
[nhfarmmuseum.info@gmail.com](mailto:nhfarmmuseum.info@gmail.com)

The New Hampshire Farm Museum provides hands-on, farm-based experiences for **students and youth groups** exploring New Hampshire's history and agricultural heritage. Students can experience a working farm, tour an 18th-century farmhouse, make butter, feed chickens, and explore our 104-foot barn of artifacts in a variety of programs. We are also happy to work with you! Programs can be tailored to match specific learning goals and adapted to fit your curriculum and student interests.

Schools, homeschoolers, Scouts, and camp groups are all welcome at the New Hampshire Farm Museum. With a minimum enrollment of just 20 students, we accept groups both big and small

### Planning Your Visit

The New Hampshire Farm Museum offers school and youth programs between May and mid-November. Visits can be scheduled for any weekday between 9:00 am and 2:30 pm. To learn more about youth programming or to schedule your visit, call (603) 652-7840 or email us at [nhfarmmuseum.info@gmail.com](mailto:nhfarmmuseum.info@gmail.com).

### PROGRAM COST & SIZE

Program cost is \$12 per student including materials. We need a minimum of twenty children in order to run a program. We recommend that you have one adult chaperone (teacher, parent, group leader) per ten students. One on one aides and bus drivers are always free!

### PICNIC LUNCH

In good weather, students can pack a lunch to eat in our picnic area. We can also show students historic games like hoop rolling and the game of graces for all to play during lunch!

### VISITING THE MUSEUM STORE

Students are welcome to shop in the Farm Museum Country Store during their lunch break! The store contains many fun, inexpensive items including educational toys, juice and soda, penny candy, farm-grown produce, and eggs. We ask that you let us know before hand if you'd like this option for your students so we can be sure to have the store staffed for your visit!

### FACILITIES

ADA Compliant Port-a-Potty on site.

### Local CSA's Available for the 2023 Growing Season!



**McKenzie's Farm**  
71 Northeast Pond Rd.  
Milton, NH 03851  
603-652-9400  
[mckenziefarm@gmail.com](mailto:mckenziefarm@gmail.com)

### **McKenzie's Farm Offers 2023 CSA Program Payment & Contract must be received by June 1, 2022**

**WHAT IS THE MCKENZIE FARM CSA PROGRAM?**  
If you purchase a share, think of this as a 'house account' at McKenzie's Farm. Your name, information and balance will be stored in our computer system which will allow you to come to the farm and purchase whatever produce or products you need!

**Full Share** \$500.00 (entitles shareholder to \$550  
@McKenzie's Farm

**Half Share** \$250.00 (entitles shareholder to \$275  
@ McKenzie's Farm)



**Branch Hill Farm**  
307 Applebee Road  
Milton Mills, NH 03852  
(603) 473-2535  
[branchhillfarm.org](http://branchhillfarm.org)

Imagine making dinner tonight with THIS. This is just one example of a CSA weekly share from last summer. Each week our CSA members pick up a box like this to take home and serve their families.

If that sounds like fun and deliciousness, then CSA may be right for you! To learn more, go to <http://www.branchhillfarm.org/.../join-our-2023-veggie-csa/>

Interested in supporting our Teen Farming Apprenticeship Program by purchasing a Spring Micro-greens Share? Learn more and sign up here: <https://forms.gle/zHCc5TeD2vcdrQsCA> Imagine making dinner tonight with THIS. This is just one example of a CSA weekly share from last summer. Each week our CSA members pick up a box like this to take home and serve their families.