



Town of Rye Newsletter



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Please Vote in the September 13th Primary and the November 8th General Election



Selectmen's Message:

Mandatory Water Irrigation Restrictions, 400th Anniversary, Cell Coverage & More

Mandatory Water Restrictions: Rye Water District Mandatory Water Restrictions are in effect until further notice: We are in a D2 condition (Severe Drought) for water in the Seacoast area. A mandatory water conservation program is in effect. This means that outdoor irrigation systems for Rye Water District users must observe the following rules:

Irrigation is only allowed for odd numbered home addresses on odd calendar days of the week and even numbered homes can only be allowed for even calendar days of the week— (example: on Tuesday September 8th odd numbered homes in the Rye Water District cannot run their irrigation systems and even numbered homes can. On Wednesday September 9th even numbered homes cannot run their irrigation systems and odd numbered homes can). Recommended irrigation hours are

either from 2:00am to 7:00am or from 8:00pm to midnight. If you don't remember if you are in the Rye Water District check out you nearest fire hydrant and if it is colored silver and red you are probably in the District. Please help us conserve the precious water that we have and follow this mandate.

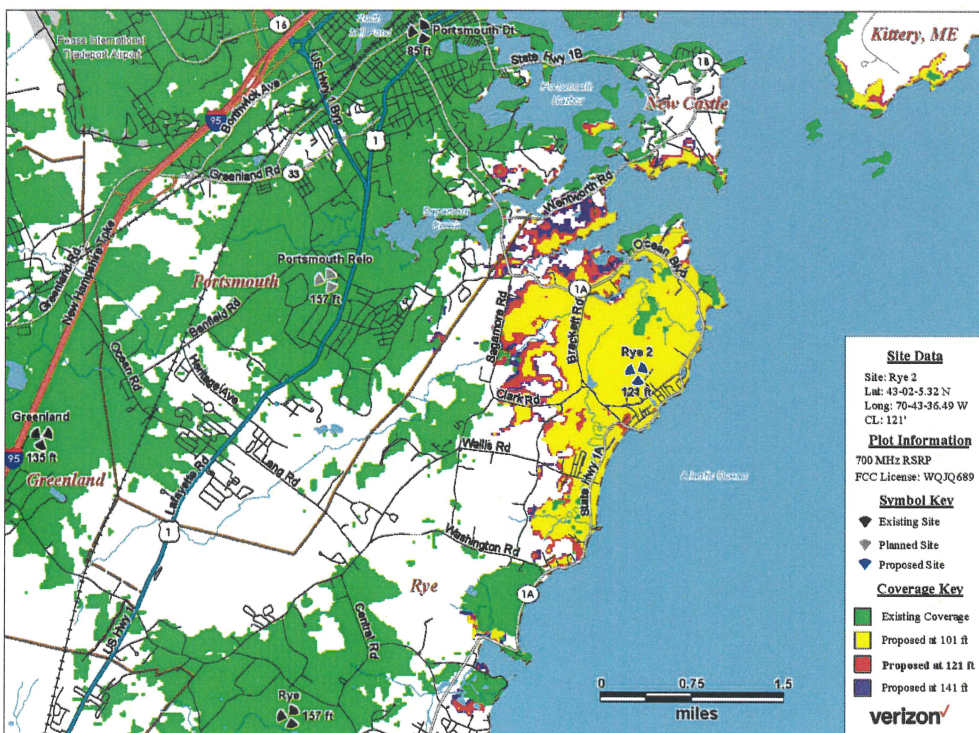
Cell Coverage: Recently the cell tower in the vicinity of Garland Road, which services Verizon, AT&T and T-Mobile, was up-upgraded by Verizon to support 5G. The results will be faster service for customers who are on Verizon. Users who have older 4G phones will not be affected. We are not aware of any additional upgrades to other carriers currently.

Our newest cell tower on Port Way has been active for several months. Presently it supports only Verizon customers. AT&T is in the process of adding equipment to the tower and it will

be complete by November. The area of coverage is illustrated on the map below. Basically, it covers the northern stretch of Ocean Blvd. including part of New Castle. To the west, covering part of Sagamore Road and most of Brackett Road. South to Clark and down to approximately the easterly portion of Washington Road. The obvious gap in coverage is in the center of town, the beaches and access roads. Plans are underway to identify locations that would best accommodate additional cell towers without the adverse aspects associated with them. There are several locations that have potential on both town and private land. We, along with the appropriate committees will pursue the goal of complete cell coverage as it is a safety concern as well as a convenience for our residents.

Town Hall Annex Update: After a lengthy discussion between the Select Board and the Budget Committee at their joint meeting on June 15, 2022 pertaining to the overall scope of the project and cost of the renovations, work on the Annex has begun!!! During the June meeting the Budget Committee approved an overall project cost of up to \$650,000.00. This amount encompasses the proposal from Triple Construction as well as items not included in the proposal, such as running a new water line from the street to the building, IT cabling and the security system. At this point the plans have been finalized and the contractor has completed the following work:

- Underslab rough plumbing completed, inspected and approved.
- The foundation for the vault room has been poured and backfilled.
- 50% of the interior walls have been framed.
- 50% of the ceiling has been framed.



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We are on track for substantial completion of the project between mid to late November, with staff hopefully transitioning by the end of the year. As a reminder the Annex will be the new home for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office, the Assessing Department and some members of the Finance Department as well as the Supervisors of the Checklist, Planning & Zoning, Building Inspector, Land Use Assistant, Select Board, Town Administrator and Treasurer offices will all remain in the current Town Hall building.

Rye400 Celebration: The Rye Historical Society has generously agreed to organize Rye's 400th anniversary celebration and the Rye400 celebration planning is well underway. In December, the kick-off event is a combined holiday parade, candlelight stroll and tree lighting ceremony at Parsons Field. The Select Board has voted to expend the first tranche of town funds authorized by warrant article to support the holiday event and telephone pole banners. The Rye400 Committee and its related activities are an initiative of the Rye (NH) Historical Society, a 501(c)(3), tax-exempt organization. Qualified donations are tax-deductible in accordance with the standards and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service. There are numerous opportunities to assist with event planning. Please consider supporting your Rye400 celebration both financially and as a volunteer. There is a link on the Town website which will direct viewers to the official Rye400 website www.ryenh400.org. Let's celebrate!

Lang Road US 1 Intersection reconfiguration finally completed: After six years of funding applications, engineering, easement negotiations, bidding, and site work, the intersection of Lang Road exiting onto US 1 has finally been completed. The purpose of the work is to protect vehicles entering US 1 from Rye along Lang Road thereby making accessing US 1 safer particularly for south bound US1 traffic.

Traffic going west on Lang Road, out of Rye, which intend to travel north on US 1 will find no change except for a slight curve in the road prior to reaching US 1. Traffic intersecting from Lang onto US 1 will only be allowed to take a right onto US 1. Westbound traffic on Lang Road with intentions on travelling south on US 1 will follow Lang to the intersection of Longmeadow Road which in turn intersects with US 1 at the Ocean Road traffic light. This offers a protected safe left turn onto US 1 and safe access onto Ocean Road for those proceeding into Greenland. Department of Transportation rules do not allow for a traffic signal at the corner of Lang Road and US 1 thereby requiring this new

intersection configuration. This now allows protected access from Rye onto US 1 on another key exit point from our Town. Outbound traffic from Rye now offers protected left turns onto US 1 from Elwyn Road, Washington Road, and now Lang Road. A long time coming but a much needed major safety improvement now completed.

Pease Cargo Facility: At their January 2022 meeting, the Pease Development Authority (PDA) approved giving a 180-day option to Procon/Kane on two parcels of land at Pease: Hanger 227 at the end of Aviation Avenue and on property adjacent to the airports' north apron (40 acres of undeveloped land). These sites would potentially house over 724,000 sq feet of air cargo warehouse space. At the March Rye election, a group of Rye residents manned a table with details on the impact of this project on the residents of Rye. Rye is directly on the flight path for runway 34 which is used by 80% of all flights coming into and out of Pease. Aircraft enter Rye over Straws Point and fly directly over the center of Town at normally 1,200 to 1,800 feet high. As the majority of air freight aircraft fly at night, the noise from these aircraft would easily awaken residents in that area of Town. In addition to the night time noise, such a facility would result in vastly increased heavy truck traffic and would most certainly change the quality of life for many seacoast residents. Both the aircraft and heavy truck traffic would also generate substantially increased environmental pollution.

At the March election nearly 500 residents signed a petition to "Say No To Pease Cargo" and subsequently the petition has been signed by over 1,000+ seacoast residents. Responding to the request by a myriad of Rye residents, the Selectboard submitted a letter to the PDA Board expressing our concerns, on behalf of these residents, and objected to the cargo facility plans. The Town of Durham has also submitted a similar letter. Selectboard members have also attended and spoken at PDA meetings. Many letters to the editor of the Portsmouth Herald have been also submitted by Rye and seacoast residents objecting to the plans for the cargo facility. At the May 19th PDA Board Meeting we were pleased to hear representatives from ProCon/Kane announce that they have decided not to pursue an air cargo facility at Pease. They expressed their interest now to work with other types of aeronautical research and development



New intersection format for Lang Road & US 1 (Right turn only)

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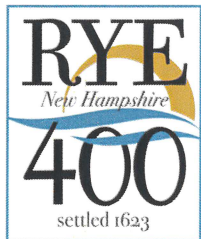
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companies as well as potential advanced manufacturing end users.

That said, another development company, East West Aeronautical announced that they are committed to bring an air cargo proposal to the PDA Board. Per an interview by Roger Woods, associate publisher at InDepthNH, with Eric Anderson, President of East West Aeronautical, Mr Anderson made it clear that his company was moving forward with a plan to create a Cargo Facility at Pease. Your Select Board is following the PDA meeting agendas and application schedule closely and will update you on any plan to expand cargo facilities at Pease.

Rye Select Board,
Phil Winslow, Chairman
Tom King, Vice-Chairman
Bill Epperson, Selectman

What's Happening for Rye400?



The Rye400 Committee, created under the auspices of the Rye Historical Society, has been working to plan a series of events and activities to celebrate our community's 400th anniversary. Get out your 2022 and 2023 calendars and plan on these dates!

- October/November, 2022 — watch for the colorful, celebratory banners on poles all over town.
- December 4, 2022 — be part of the launch of our 400th year by taking a Candlelight (LEDs!) Stroll through the center of town.
- March 1 thru July 1, 2023 — how do you see Rye? get out your paint brushes and cameras and submit your images as part of the 400th celebration contest.
- May 29, 2023 — take a trolley ride and listen to stories about our town.
- May thru September, 2023 — join us for one of several walking tours, highlighting different aspects of Rye history.

- July 1, 2023 — bring your family and friends to Rye Day at Parsons Field for games and lots of fun!
- July 4, 2023 — missed the first trolley tour? Take this one!
- July 12, 2023 — hop aboard a boat out to the Isles of Shoals to visit both Star and Appledore Islands. Reservations will be required. A second visit may be planned for August.
- July 30, 2023 — be part of a town-wide scavenger hunt...you never know what you'll need to find!
- August 5, 2023 — grab a pen and bid on special items at a silent auction. You won't want to be outbid!
- September 4, 2023 — take the final trolley tour of the year!
- December, 2023 — walk in the Candlelight (LEDs!) Stroll, the final event of the Rye400 year!

In addition, we are working with:

1. members of the indigenous community to host an event that raises awareness of its presence and contributions.
2. teachers to develop education programs for our students.
3. historians and community leaders to offer a series of lectures on a variety of topics throughout the year.

We will continue to update you on these and new things coming up.

But, don't wait for us! You can always check the latest news directly at <http://www.ryenh400.org/>.

We will only be 400 years old once. So, let's make it the best it can be. How can you get involved? The answer is coming soon, directly to your home! We are sending each household in town information that will highlight the ways you can help. Check your mailbox!

Questions? Contact us at RyeNH400@gmail.com.

Rye400 Committee

Police Department Update

Earlier this spring, the Police Department welcomed a new team member, Animal Control Officer (ACO) Kacie Burgoyne. Kacie was



hired in April after Robert McGrath resigned as ACO. Kacie joins us with a lot of animal experience having worked at the NHSPCA in Stratham. During her time with us, she has picked up

right where ACO McGrath left off. Please make sure to check out our ACO Instagram page to keep up with fun pictures and educational posts. The Instagram name is rye603aco.

As the summer comes to an end, the members of the Rye Police Department would like to thank everyone for a safe summer. With the summer leaving us, we would like to remind everyone of the seasonal town ordinance changes:

Beginning the Saturday after Labor Day, September 10th, the time restraints for dogs being on town beaches ends for the season. Owners are still required to keep their dogs under control and pick up any waste. Also, the town parking ordinances remain in effect until October 1st. For more information about these and other town ordinances, please head to our website at www.ryepolice.us.

The Rye Schools reopened August 30, 2022. As the school year begins, we would like to welcome the new SAU 50 Superintendent, Steve Zadravec, Rye Junior High Principal Anne Gilbert, and Rye Elementary Principal Michelle Pitts. We look forward to working with them **and** continuing the great relationship between the schools and the Police Department.

Here are some important reminders for parents:

- Please be aware of children riding their bikes and walking to and from school.
- During the hours of 7:45 AM and 2:45 PM when the school zone light is flashing, driver's speed must not exceed 20 mph while traveling through school zones. Please make sure your vehicle slows down before entering the school.
- Always stop for school buses loading and unloading students.
- It would be greatly appreciated if parents who drop off and pick up their children at the Junior High would drive past the school, turn around at Grange Park then enter the school parking lot. This will enable the morning and afternoon commutes to continue moving without

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creating a traffic jam.

- In addition, please check to make sure your child has his or her seat belt buckled. For your child's safety, we ask that you remind your child to remove his or her backpack before he or she attempts to buckle up.

Here are some tips for students:

- Always buckle up when you are riding in a car.
- Always wear a helmet and follow traffic safety rules when riding your bike.
- If you ride a bus, learn and practice the safety rules for waiting at the bus stop, getting on and off the bus and riding the bus. Please stay in your seat.
- If you walk to school, learn and practice the safety rules for pedestrians. Always cross at cross walks and obey all traffic signs.
- Most important is to be a good role model for your younger brothers, sisters, and friends, help them learn and practice safety rules.

Finally, please remember that we all need to share the roadways. Whether people are driving, biking, walking, etc., please make sure to follow the rules of the road so we can all have safe travels. Types of distractions that are being noticed by your police officers include: use of cell phones or other electronics, eating, drinking, smoking, reaching or looking behind while in motion as well as grooming and reading. **Remember: Slow Down. Stay Alert. We all have a responsibility for safe practices while using the roadways.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Scott Blaisdell
Deputy Police Chief

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Saturday, September 24, 2022

9:00 am - 12:00 Noon

Place: Highway Garage

Route 111A

207 Middle Road

Brentwood, NH



Rye Fire & Rescue Update

Shark Buoys: Have you noticed the new orange buoy's floating off the coast of Rye?



These are shark data receiver buoys placed in the water along four coastal locations to track the activity of tagged sharks. The four buoys have been placed at Wallis Sands "pirates cove", Foss Beach, Cable Beach, and Sawyers Beach. These four buoy's will collect data for the season and record any tagged great white shark that comes within 1500 feet of the buoys. Rye Fire has partnered with Seacoast Maritime Charters, Seacoast Science Center, along with the Atlantic White Shark Conservancy "AWSC" who will read the data once a year and help in efforts of safety, conservation, education, and awareness for sharks.



Placing these receivers in the water would not have been possible without the help of the Seacoast Science Center,

NH Port Authority harbormaster Leo Axtin and Jack Farrell at Seacoast Maritime Charters who donated his time and vessel to help us deploy these buoys!

Ultrasound: This past month LT. Jake MacGlashing and Paramedic Kaitlyn Pidgeon were trained on our new Ultrasound machine. They were trained as 'train the trainers' and have since delivered the instruction to the rest of the membership. They received their training from a radiologist at Portsmouth Regional Hospital (see below photos). The Ultrasound will make an important difference in many pre-hospital critical medical emergencies. The ultrasound is in-service on the ambulance. Proud to be the first in the area, and only one of a few in NH to have this pre-hospital technology available!

Fire Chief,
Mark Cotreau



Assessing Department Revaluation Update

Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) and the Rye assessor's office are finalizing values for the 2022 town-wide revaluation update. The purpose of the 2022 revaluation is to bring property assessments uniformly in line with market conditions as of April 1, 2022. A town-wide revaluation is required by the State of New Hampshire at least every 5 years. The last one done in Rye was completed in 2017.

During the week of July 18, 2022, all property owners were mailed letters containing their 2022 preliminary assessed values. The letters also contained information on how property owners could schedule an informal review hearing with an assessor. Between July 27, 2022, and August 10, 2022, 297 informal review hearings were held with in person, phone, or zoom appointments.

What Happens Next?

The assessors are reviewing all of the information presented during the informal hearing process and making data changes as necessary. After values are finalized and reviewed by the Town, taxpayers who had an informal review hearing or a property assessment change, will be mailed letters stating both preliminary and final 2022 values. Values are expected to be finalized during the month of September. If you receive a letter with a revised value, please do not use the current tax rate to estimate the amount of taxes due. The tax rate will be set by the NH Department of Revenue in November.

If you still believe that your assessment does not reflect fair market value, you have the right to file a formal abatement request with the assessor's office. The abatement application can be submitted after the fall tax bill has been issued and prior to March 1, 2023.

Applications for abatement will be available from the Assessor's Office or online at the NH Department of Revenue website <https://www.nh.gov/btla/forms/documents/abatement.pdf>.

Should I pay my taxes if I do not think the assessment is correct?

Yes, you should pay your taxes on time to avoid interest, late fee penalties, or liens. Filing an application for

abatement does not stop the collection of taxes. If you are granted an abatement of property taxes through your appeal, you will receive a credit to your property tax account with the tax collector or will be issued a refund.

For more information and for updates about the 2022 revaluation, please contact the Assessing Office at 603-379-8270 and refer to the Assessing Department page on the Town website.

Michelle McDonald
Municipal Resources, Inc.

Public Works Message — "GET PUMPED - RYE"

Don't let ignorance of where your septic disposal system is, or how it works, spell disaster for you or your family; learn the basics. Don't wait for failure, be proactive. A little system maintenance periodically may forestall future system failure.

Where Does My Wastewater Go?

The first question you should ask yourself is do you have a septic system. This question is quite simple to answer in Rye. The only homes in Rye which do not rely on septic systems are located in the southeast corner of the Town generally bordered by Locke Road on the north, the Atlantic Ocean on the east, Causeway Road on the south and Central Road on the west; and Adams Park on Lafayette Road (Route 1). Also, if you receive a sewer bill from the Rye Sewer Commission or City of Portsmouth you do not have a septic system and do not need to be as concerned as do those relying on an in-ground septic disposal system.

Once you determine you have a septic disposal system you should determine its location. Often it is not apparent exactly where the system is located although manhole covers, vent pipes and large flat lawn expanses are all indicators. Should you not be aware of your system location one may contact your local septage hauler, code enforcement department, or New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) for assistance.

How Does It Works?

Whatever water goes down the drains in your bathrooms, kitchens and laundry room is your domestic wastewater. Typically, all the drains within one's home lead to a single drain pipe which exits the home and empties into a septic tank.

The septic tank is a buried, water tight container usually made of plastic or concrete. It holds the water long enough for solids to settle to the bottom and fat, oils and greases to float to the top. Special compartments keep the top and bottom solids from flowing out of the tank.

Liquid wastewater leaves the tank and enters the leach field where special pipes and piping allow the water to slowly seep into the surrounding soil, naturally removing harmful bacteria, viruses, and nutrients before it reaches the groundwater.

Protect Your Family.

If your septic system gets clogged with too much solid waste, it can force the wastewater to back up into the house, or overwhelm your leach field and break out onto your lawn, creating a soggy mess.

Protect Your Community.

The bacteria in wastewater is not just smelly, it is also a health hazard. System failure may allow wastewater to run off into local streams, lakes, ponds and/or the ocean; negatively impacting water quality, wildlife and community enjoyment.

Protect Your Wallet.

Proper system maintenance costs between \$250 and \$500 every 3 to 5 years. A failed system could cost between \$6,000 and \$15,000 to replace or repair.

Proper Maintenance.

There are a number of simple acts which one may perform to maintain a healthy and properly functioning system.

- **Conserve water:** Fix leaking faucets and toilets to prevent flooding or overloading your system.
- **Space Out Heavy Water Use:** Spreading out showers, clothes washing, dishwashing, car washing, etc. will give your system a better chance to work between high loads.
- **Only flush human waste and toilet paper into your system:** "Flushable" only means it will fit down the drain, not whether it will

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breakdown in the tank. If in doubt throw it into your trash.

- **Don't park or drive on your septic system:** Heavy concentrated ground loads on the system has a high probability of damaging the system.
- **Pump the tank regularly.** Don't wait for failure. Septic tanks should be pumped and inspected every three to five years. Visit getpumpednh.com to find a New Hampshire Association of Septage Haulers (NHASH) member in this area.

Why Should I Pump?

Every home with a septic system generates wastewater which deposits solids in the septic tank which must be removed periodically. The regularity of the solids removal is predicated on the system loading, i.e. how many people live in the house, how often is laundry done, are there are number of persons taking frequent showers, is the kitchen equipped with a garbage disposal, etc.

Don't Wait for a Failure to Schedule a Septic Tank Pump Out.

This outreach message helps our community meet US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements associated with the public outreach component of the Town of Rye's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) NPDES permit and is provided as a public service of the Rye Public Works Department.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection

This year's collection is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022. Hours are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and will be strictly adhered to.

As in prior years, the collection will be held at the Brentwood DPW site on Middle Road, in Brentwood, NH.

The collection is paid for, and open to residents of the 53B Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District consortium. The six town's making up this consortium are Rye, North Hampton, Brentwood, Fremont, Kensington, and Sandown.

This will be the only time this year that residents may dispose of their Household Hazardous Waste (HHW). These wastes consist of domestic

hazardous wastes in small quantities (less than five gallons), which are commonly purchased at a grocery or hardware store and used in your home. They do not consist of any industrial or commercial chemical products used outside the household.

Transfer Station

The Transfer Station is open for the disposal of yard waste Tuesday and Saturday from 7:30 am. to 3:45 pm. Grass clippings and leaves should be separated from branches, twigs, and limbs, and deposited in the identified appropriate location, at the rear of the facility. In addition, limbs and tree branches should be less than four feet long and less than six inches in diameter.

On a final note, the transfer station attendants want to remind you that this time of year we experience a surge in honeybee and yellow jackets drawn to the recycled container bins. The attendants at the facility request that residents please rinse out their recyclables, prior to dropping off at the transfer station. This will cut down on the number of stinging insects and assist the attendants in maintaining the cleanliness of the facility.

As always, the Public Works Department appreciates all the assistance and cooperation we receive from the town residents and public, in general.

Jason Rucker
Public Works Director

Planning Board Update

We wish to welcome Kara Campbell, the Town's Land Use Assistant, who will support planning, zoning, and conservation initiatives.

Rules and Regulations Committee (RRC) members – Chair Steve Carter, Nicole Paul and Pat Losik. The RRC has developed, along with previous town counsel, Attorney Mike Donovan, several proposed changes to the Land Development Regulations (LDR). Some are minor corrections or clarifications to the current edition, and some are additions or more significant edits. Of note, Site Impact Analysis requirements are strengthened by incorporating recommendations from the 2021 Natural

Resource Inventory, an amendment to groundwater protection allows the Board to balance environmental protection aspects, such as buffers and tree retention, with groundwater resources, Stormwater Management Plans extend to minor subdivisions and site developments, and components of NHDES model regulations are added to promote water efficient landscaping techniques.

The proposed LDR amendments are posted on the Planning Board page of the Town website. A public hearing on the amendments will be held on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall. After the public hearing the Board will vote on the amendments; changes will take effect upon passage by the Board.

Town counsel, Attorney Eric Maher, will consult with the RRC in early September regarding recommended amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (ZO). Subsequently, the RRC will schedule meetings throughout the fall to review and discuss changes which will include contemporizing the ZO; public input is welcomed. Amendments will be ready for the warrant in January of 2023. If moved to the ballot, Rye voters will have an opportunity to vote on the revised ZO in March of 2023.

Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) members – Chair Rob Wright, Kathryn Garcia and Pat Losik. The Committee is on task regarding the planning for a Master Plan (MP). Planning Consultant Julie Labranche provided the Committee with a summary of costs and updated plans from other communities. Planning & Zoning Administrator Kim Reed provided the Committee with a cost estimate for a Build Out Analysis (BOA) which is integral to the planning process. A draft RFP is expected to be presented and discussed at the September 13, 2022 Board meeting. A budget estimate of \$95,000 - \$145,000 for the MP and BOA has been submitted to the CIP Committee. The Board is seeking members for a Master Plan Steering Committee; interested parties should contact Kim Reed.

The Board expects a busy fall with several applications on the September 13th Agenda including a Condominium Conversion at 251-279 Pioneer Road, a Major Site development at 15 Sagamore Road, and a Major Subdivision at 850 Washington Road.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Losik, Chair
Planning Board

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector's Message

As the summer is winding down, it's a good time to review office hours for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Fridays. Please note that any motor vehicle or vital record transactions will not be processed after 4:00 pm. However, the office is open until 4:30 pm Monday through Thursday to drop off any transactions that need to be processed, to pick up/drop off absentee ballots or to answer any Town Clerk/Tax Collector related questions.

This fall we will have two elections. The State Primary Election will be held on September 13, 2022 and the General Election will be held on November 8, 2022. Absentee ballots for the State Primary are available in the Town Clerk's office. Absentee ballot applications are available at the Town Clerk's office or may be obtained from the Town of Rye website. When applying for a ballot for the Primary Election, you must list a party. For example, if you are requesting a Democratic ballot, you must currently be registered as a Democrat or be listed as undeclared on the checklist to receive a Democratic ballot. Conversely, if you are requesting a Republican ballot, you must currently be registered as a Republican or be listed as undeclared on the checklist to receive a Republican ballot. If you are undeclared, you have the option of either a Democratic or Republican ballot. If you are undeclared, please remember to sign the "Reverse Back to Undeclared" sheet on the table as you exit the polls on election day in order to change your designation back to undeclared status. If you are voting by absentee ballot, there is a form inside the envelope for "undeclared voters to change their designation back to undeclared. Please note: The LAST day to accept absentee ballots filed in person is September 12, 2022 at 5:00 pm. The Town Clerk's office will be open from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on September 12, 2022 to drop off or pick up an absentee application along with the ballot. For the General Election, you do not need to

declare a party affiliation. If you have already applied for the General Election ballot, the ballot will be mailed to you as soon they are received. For both elections, the polling location is the Rye Elementary School, 461 Sagamore Road, Rye, NH. The polls are open from 8:00 am and close at 7:00 pm. If you have not registered to vote, please stop by the Town Clerk's office to do so or you may register at the polls on election day.

Please take a moment to visit the Town website www.town.rye.nh.us. On the home page, under the online registration and payments tab, there are several icons to help you navigate our many online transactions. From here you can register vehicles, pay tax and sewer bills, license dogs and apply for copies of vital records.

We expect the 2022 tax rate to be set in the beginning of November. Tax bills will be mailed out shortly after with a due date in December. Cash, check or credit cards are accepted forms of payment for taxes but please be aware there is an approximately 3% surcharge for the use of credit cards.

Please be aware that August 1, 2022, liens were placed on any properties with unpaid 2021 tax or sewer bills. For more information concerning a lien on your property, please contact Donna Decotis, Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

Donna, Amy, and Lindsay are always here to assist you. Kids are going back to school, please watch for kids on bicycles, walkers, school lights and signs.

Enjoy the Fall.

Donna DeCotis

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Moderator's Message

PLEASE VOTE

There are two important elections coming up – the State Primary on September 13th and the General Election on November 8th. Polls will be open at the Rye Elementary School (RES) for both elections from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. COVID-19 is still with us, with the BA.5 variant being responsible for 95% of new cases. While face masks won't be required, I encourage you to wear one, not just for yourself, but also to keep your

neighbors and poll workers safe.

IMPORTANT ELECTION LAW CHANGE RE: OVERVOTES

Under existing law, if a voter makes a mistake on his or her ballot, the voter can ask the Moderator for a replacement ballot. The Moderator will take the ballot with the mistake, mark it "cancelled," and give the voter a new unmarked ballot.

Sometimes the voter doesn't realize he or she made a mistake. Those mistakes are often what is called an "overvote." An overvote occurs when a voter marks the ballot for a particular office for more candidates than there are seats to be filled. This can happen when the voter fills in one oval, sees the mistake, crosses the oval out, and fills in a different oval. Another example is when a voter presses the point of their pen into one oval and then fills in a different oval. These are just some examples of overvotes. In the past, the vote tabulating machine would not count the ballot for the office in which the overvote was made. That vote would only be counted, if at all, if there was a recount and election officials could determine what the voter intended.

The law for how overvotes are processed recently changed. Pursuant to RSA 656:42, X, if a voter inserts a ballot with an overvote into the vote counting machine, the machine will reject the ballot and return it to the voter; the display on the machine will read "OVER VOTED RACE" and specify the race in which the overvote occurred. The statute states that "the voter shall be instructed to place the ballot in an auxiliary compartment to be hand counted by election officials after the polls close." **Alternatively, nothing prohibits the voter from returning the overvoted ballot to the Moderator and asking for a new one. In that case, the Moderator will mark "cancelled" on the overvoted ballot and give the voter a new unmarked ballot, just as he would if a voter asked for a new ballot after discovering a mistake.**

Voting by Absentee Ballot

There is still time to get an absentee ballot. Just go to Town Hall and fill out an application, or download one from the Town website. Please be aware that, for your Primary absentee ballot to be counted, it must get to the Clerk's office by 5 p.m. on Monday, September 12th; or Have it delivered it to the polls by an authorized agent by 5 p.m. on

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voting day. Absentee ballots cannot be accepted after that time. Also note that you cannot leave your absentee ballot in a drop box; that is prohibited by State law.

Registering to Vote / Election Day Registration

I encourage voters who are not registered to vote to do so before election day. You can register at the Town Clerk's office. Registration for the Primary closes soon. If you miss the deadline, you can still register to vote on election day itself.

Bob Eaton
Moderator

Rye Beach Committee Update

The Beach Committee continues to focus on issues related to the carry-in-carry-out policy, beach access, safety and water testing. We welcome community members to join a meeting or send concerns and suggestions via email to: beachcommittee@town.rye.nh.us. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month in the Town Hall at 6:30 pm and agendas are posted on the Town's website.

In cooperation with the NH Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation, we are pleased to support and fund water testing at Sawyers for the first time during all of the shoulder season. Surfrider partners with the UNH Jackson Estuarine Lab at Adams Point. Volunteers from Surfrider have been collecting samples from various NH beaches for several years in the off season months. The UNH lab conducts the tests to look for a fecal bacteria indicator which is known as Enterococci. This is one of the methods that is used to determine if there should be a beach advisory. The Beach Committee is grateful for all the assistance from the NH Surfrider leadership, especially Chris Grippo, Vice Chair and Program Director, and Ryan Suplee, Chair. During our high season, from Memorial Day to Labor Day, DES collects water samples and conducts tests regularly. The last advisory was posted in June on the Town's Facebook page and

website. Further information on Source Testing, which looks for human or wildlife contamination, will be determined by the Select Board.

There are many groups on the NH Seacoast that hold beach cleanups throughout the year, as well as some beachgoers who pick up trash daily. Did you know you can grab a bucket to clean the beach at Summer Sessions Surf Shop or Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Co?

With the support of the Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation, the Beach Committee schedules an annual pre-season beach cleanup and one at the end of the season. The Committee's next beach cleanup is at 9am on October 1st at Pirates Cove. Both Blue Ocean Society and Surfrider have a calendar of events on their websites that list other beach cleanups.

Links:

- <https://nh.surfrider.org>
- <https://www.blueoceansociety.org/>
- <https://bwtf.surfrider.org/explore/65>
- <https://www.des.nh.gov>
- <https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/partnerships/marine-debris-tracker>

For the second year, Rye Junior High and Grade 4 students worked on



environmental posters designed to educate beachgoers. The artwork was laminated at the Town Hall by Janice Ireland, mounted on stakes constructed by DPW, and placed at beach entrances by Beach Committee members. It took a community effort! Thanks to all and especially the students, school principals, teachers and Jen Sabine and the 4th grade team. Look for more in 2023!

Due to work, family and other commitments, we bid adieu to our Chair, Frank Hwang. Frank led a group of new members to build on previous members'

initiatives, develop new ideas and complete some projects. Thanks, Frank! We also want to thank Brendan Carney, member, and Deirdre Larkin, alternate, for their contributions to the Beach Committee.

Community members suggested the need for bike racks at beaches, more dog waste bins, and volunteered to conduct a survey of overall parking usage for cars with beach stickers. Let us hear from you!

Mary-Ann Sullivan, Chair
Rye Beach Committee

Conservation Commission Update

The Goss Farm had a busy summer. We currently have 24 garden plots being utilized and enjoyed by Rye residents. The plots vary from flower gardens, which have sustained pollinators, to vegetable gardens that have put summer favorites on grills and tables. There have been three high school students helping with maintenance at the farm, one student having transitioned from doing a school internship to being hired for a part time summer position. Rye Conservation Commission clerk Susan Shepcaro has directed and worked alongside the students. With August waning we want to thank our young farm hands for their hard work and wish them well in their studies.

The farm's blueberry patch has been managed this year by RCC members with help from local volunteers. Blueberries have been sold on site and to local restaurants and markets. The money raised will go back to the farm fund to be spent on farm projects. Additionally, we will continue to donate blueberries to the Rye elementary school in appreciation of all the second-grade classes that have made planting the bushes a school tradition for the past several years. The RCC looks forward to continuing partnering with the schools and community to make the Goss Farm accessible for educational opportunities, passive recreation and agricultural pursuits.

Sally King, Vice-Chair
Rye Conservation Commission

Historic District Update

The Historic District Commission (HDC) took the summer off from formal meetings, but we have been working behind the scenes in partnership with the Rye Historical Society, planning the Rye 400 Celebration events. Rye was first settled by Europeans in 1623 and 2023 marks the Town's 400 Year Anniversary. To kick off the Rye 400 Celebration, the Historic District is hosting a Vintage Holiday Candlelight Stroll through the center of town on Sunday, December 4th. The Candlelight Stroll will begin after the Holiday Parade which starts at 3:00 p.m..

Stroll participants can pick up a candle at the library's park and walk with carolers to Parsons Field where the large evergreen tree will be lit up with lights. Along the route the historic homes will be honored with a special wreath and bow displaying the original year of construction of each house. A program booklet will also be available for stroll participants to learn some unique historical facts about the properties in the Town Center.

More information about the Stroll and other Rye 400 events can be found at www.ryenh400.org. If you are interested in volunteering for the Stroll or becoming part of the HDC, please check the Town Calendar for our upcoming meetings. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30PM. We currently have openings for 2 alternate members and would welcome the participation of other community members.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kaitlyn Coffey, Chair
Historic District Commission

Rye Historical Society News

The Rye Historical Society held its annual member meeting on August 14, 2022. Members approved the slate of board members for the new cycle: Ginna Macdonald (president), Jan Olmstead (vice president), Steve Cash (treasurer),

Cathy Hodson (assistant treasurer pro tem), Lew Karabatsos (secretary) and the following members at large - Jean Briggs-Badger, David Caswell, Becky Marden, Andy Stecher, and Debbi Toohey. We recognized Alex Herlihy's departure from the board and his new role with RHS as Town Historian. The board of directors is immensely proud of all the work that Alex has done to bring the Society and Town Museum to where it is today. Lucky for us, he will remain in a volunteer role to continue sharing the history of Rye with our community.

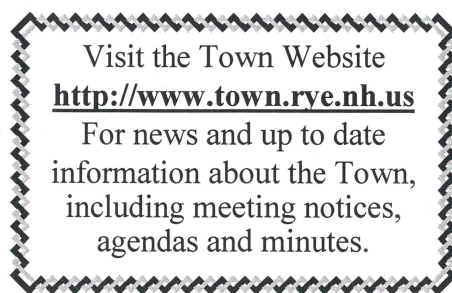
RHS has hired professional archivist Jane Ward to work on cataloging and preserving donated items for our collections. If you have any items you think would be important for us to have, please send an email to info@ryenhistoricalociety.org and we will forward your request to our collections committee.

The museum (next to the library) is open on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. - noon through the end of October. Visitors can stop in to view our 2022 exhibit on Family Connections.

In addition to our usual focus on collections, programming and museum exhibits, RHS is also the fiscal sponsor and umbrella organization for the Rye 400th celebrations, which means that your donations will be tax-deductible. Board member Andy Stecher is the chairman of the Rye 400 committee which is made up of Society members, Town of Rye, and community members. Those looking to get involved should contact Andy by email at ryeNH400@gmail.com or visit the website ryeNH400.org.

Members are crucial for the work we are doing. We've set a Big Audacious Goal (BAG) to bring our membership number to 400 for the 400th. Look for a mailer in your mailbox soon and I hope you will join us!

Respectfully Submitted,
Ginna Macdonald,
President, Board of Directors



Rye Recycling Education Committee Update

Rye Recycling – Let's Do It the Rye-ght Way!

We know this is an exciting time of year, the students going back to school. The leaves will be turning soon. Such a beautiful sight.

Ideas

Just passing on some ideas that might be helpful.

- Rossenreports.com is a great venue to use online for consumer updates.
- One such idea is reusable produce bags made with cotton mesh. (I take them with me to the store with my other grocery reusable bags.) Just go online under same name or Seek Bamboo and Tru Earth Cotton.
- Another great idea is reusable silicone bags. (Great for back-to-school lunches and for storage.) Again, just search same name. Some of the sites are Walmart, Eco Trade, and Zero Waste.
- With energy costs going up, search for electricity usage monitor, to help manage your energy bill and unplug items when not in use.
- When cleaning out old prescriptions and over the counter drugs, you don't have to wait for your town to have a drug take back day. Portsmouth Police Station has a container stationed in their main entrance all year long. Please don't place them in your trash.

Information Update

Mr. Fox Composting wants everyone to compost **BROWN** paper towels or nonbleached white ones. (Paper towels that have no chlorine, dyes, inks or fragrances.) Seventh Generation is one brand suggested. Mr. Fox also recycles pizza boxes without any inserts in them.

Get Involved

The Rye Recycling Education Committee has openings for new members. We meet at the Rye Public Library on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

Remember, enjoy all that a New England fall has to offer and please recycle. The earth will thank you,



Joan Provencher
Senior member
Rye Recycling Education Committee



FALL PROGRAMS

Mailing: 10 Central Road Rye, NH 03870 Physical: 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH 03870
Telephone: (603) 964-6281, Fax: (603) 964-1516, E-mail: dmartin@town.rye.nh.us
Town Website: www.town.rye.nh.us

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FALL PROGRAMS SIGN-UP COMMENCEMENT

Monday, September 12, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

Rye Recreation Office, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH and
Online www.town.rye.nh.us

Programs are limited to a first-come, first-serve basis. Registrations will not be accepted prior to 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 12, 2022.

THE WAVE LUNCH PROGRAMS AND DAY TRIPS

The lunch programs are held at The Wave at Rye Congregational Church the second Thursday of each month except when there is a holiday. Lunch is at 12:00 p.m. followed by entertainment at 1:00 p.m. Reservations for lunch are required and the cost is \$25 for a complete lunch/entertainment or \$8 for a beverage and dessert only/entertainment. If you are not having lunch, you can still attend, but we just ask that you notify us in advance. Space is limited for the day trips so it is important to register early. No refunds will be given unless funds can be recovered from the contract provider. Prior to the trip, you will receive correspondence confirming the departure time and location as well as schedule.

LUNCH PROGRAMS



RYE'S OWN SEABEE HONEY Joe Marttila will follow-up on the Spring 2022 presentation on honeybees to provide an informative overview on honey. The session will concentrate on how honeybees create honey, the SeaBee honey extraction process and the different flavors of honey. SeaBee honey has the only honey in the USA that is traceable to the exact apiary and hive that produced it. There will be tastings of some of these traceable honeys produced by SeaBee at this event.

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2022

Lunch: TBA.

Reservation Deadline: Thursday, September 1, 2022

Fee: \$25 complete lunch; \$8 beverage and dessert only.



THE CAPITAL CRIME OF WITCHCRAFT: WHAT THE PRIMARY SOURCES TELL US On first impression, the witchcraft trials of the Colonial era may seem to have been nothing but a free-for-all, fraught with hysterics. Margo Burns explores an array of prosecutions in 17th century New England, using facsimiles of primary source manuscripts,

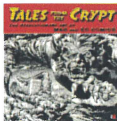
from first formal complaints to arrest warrants, indictments of formal charges to death warrants, and the reversals of attainder and rescinding of excommunications years after the fact; demonstrating how methodically and logically the Salem Court worked. This program focuses on the Salem witchcraft trials of 1692 and 1693, when nineteen people were hanged and one crushed to death, but also examines a variety of other cases against women in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022

Lunch: TBA

Reservation Deadline: Thursday, October 6, 2022

Fee: \$ 25 complete lunch; \$8 beverage and dessert only.



COMICS IN WORLD HISTORY AND CULTURES

Marek Bennett presents a whirlwind survey of comics from around the world and throughout history, with special attention to what these vibrant narratives tell (and show) us about the people and periods that created them. Bennett engages and involves the audience in an interactive

discussion of several sample comics representing cultures such as Ancient Rome, Medieval Europe, the Ancient Maya, Feudal and modern Japan, the United States in the early 20th century, and Nazi Germany during World War II. The program explores the various ways of creating and reading comics from around the world and what these techniques tell us about the cultures in which they occur.

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2022

Lunch: TBA

Reservation Deadline: Thursday, September 1, 2022

Fee: \$25 complete lunch; \$8 beverage and dessert only.



HOME OF THE WORST WEATHER ON EARTH:

NH'S MT. WASHINGTON Scene of the second highest wind speed ever recorded on earth: 231 miles per hour, host of winds of over 70 miles per hour one-third of the days in the year, Mt. Washington deserves its fearsome reputation. It is also a place of great beauty and solitude. The cluster of buildings at the top, eight-mile Auto Road, three-mile Cog Railway and numerous hiking trails reflect man's relationship to the mountain as well. Mix weather phenomena, great natural beauty, and human history together and you have a mountain unlike any other. Join Freeport, Maine's Michael Perry for a slide show look at the beauty of Mt. Washington through the seasons, with special emphasis on the winter months.

Tuckerman Ravine, the Alpine Garden, Lakes of the Clouds, the historic Crawford Path, and more. See the magic of the summit buildings frozen in rime ice under brilliant blue sky, the greenery of Spring in the Great Gulf, inspiring views of this grand old matriarch from all angles.

Whether you have hiked, skied, or experienced the mountain by train or vehicle Michael's program is sure to bring back many fond memories of your own adventures on what the Weather Observatory staff affectionately refer to as "The Old Rockpile."

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2022

Lunch: TBA

Reservation Deadline: December 1, 2022.

Fee: \$25 complete lunch; \$8 beverage and dessert only.

DAY TRIPS



THE BEAT GOES ON Join us to see the music of the "Goddess of Pop" Cher, the #1 Cher Tribute Show in the world, performed by Lisa McCowry. She is respected as the most authentic and well-rounded CHER tribute artist capturing Cher's singing voice, look, walk and

mannerisms. Lisa brings her internationally acclaimed show to the stage at Danversport Yacht Club in Danvers, MA.

Date: Thursday, November 17, 2022.

Meal Choice: Thanksgiving dinner with the fixings and sides or vegetable lasagna and dessert, coffee/tea.

Reservation Deadline: October 13, 2022.

Departure Time and Location: TBD

Fee: \$115 (includes transportation, admission and lunch).



CHRISTMAS WITH PAUL ANKA—A special

holiday tribute show. All the hits of Paul Anka and more...this dynamic show will feature not only the greatest hits of Paul Anka but the chart topping hits he wrote for others such as Buddy Holly, Frank Sinatra,

Sammy Davis, Jr., Tom Jones, Frankie Avalon, and Bobby Rydell to name a few. Sprinkle in some of our favorite holiday songs performed only the way Paul Anka can, and you have an incredible holiday show at the Danversport Yacht Club, Danvers, MA.

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

Meal Choice: Chicken parmesan or baked scrod, salad, potato, vegetables, breads, dessert, coffee/tea.

Reservation Deadline: November 9, 2022.

Departure Time and Location: TBD.

Fee: \$115 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch).



FALL BASEBALL INSTRUCTION is co-ed and provided by Stephen McManus, former coach at the University of Rhode Island and pro player in Europe.

Learn basic skills for the beginner to advanced player.

Players in grades 2-8 will be broken out into groups based on age and ability. Held on Sunday at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH. Please bring your glove, drink and apply bug spray.

September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$180

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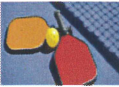
STRENGTH & BALANCE is instructed by Kim Rivest. This group fitness class will help you strengthen major muscle groups using weights and work on balance. A combination of exercises performed standing or seated will challenge you and allow you to work at your own pace. Class begins with a warm-up and finishes with a series of stretches to leave you feeling refreshed and energized. Please wear sneakers and comfortable clothing. Classes are held on Wednesday, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Dates: September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9, 16, 30, December 7, 14, 2022 (12 classes)
Location: The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye
Fee: \$60 (Prorated to start date)

CHAIR YOGA is instructed by Amelia McKenney, Rye resident, and life-long athlete. This gentle form of yoga is practiced sitting in a chair or standing using a chair for support. Build inner and outer strength while relaxing and centering the mind. Have fun with others while learning postures that help you build strength, flexibility and balance. Focusing on the relaxation response to reduce stress and promote health. Please wear comfortable clothing. Classes are held on Tuesday and/or Thursday, 10:00-11:30 a.m. at The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye

Option 1—Two days per week: September 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29, October 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27, November 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 29, December 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 2022 (31 classes)
Fee: \$155.00 for two days per week
Option 2—One day per week (Tuesday or Thursday):
Fee: \$80.00 for one day per week



YOUTH SKI or SNOWBOARD LESSONS Look for more information coming soon!!



ADULT PICKLEBALL LESSONS are co-ed and will be held at the Community Campus Tennis Courts, 100 Campus Drive, Portsmouth. Instruction is provided by Pete Litichevsky, who is a tournament pickleball player with a 4.25 rating and currently plays in the US Open in Naples, FL. Participants should bring water and apply bug spray and sunscreen.
Session 1: Learn-to-Play Pickleball (Beginner) Saturday, September 17, 2022, 8:00-10:00 a.m. and **Session 2:** Learn-to-Play Pickleball (Beginner) Sunday, September 18, 2022, 8:00-10:00 a.m. Fee: \$20.00 per session/day
Session 3: Advanced Skills Pickleball, Saturday, October 1, 2022, 8:00-10:00 a.m. and **Session 4:** Advanced Skills Pickleball, Sunday, October 2, 2022, 8:00-10:00 a.m. Fee: \$20.00 per session/day



GYROKINESIS® is instructed by certified Gyrokinesis® and Gyrotonic® teacher Joni Day. This class will introduce the principles of Gyrokinesis® Method of Movement. Some benefits of regular practice include a healthier, more supple spine; increased range of motion; greater joint stability; improved agility and athletic performance; and deep internal strength. The Gyrokinesis® Method can accommodate all levels of fitness and age groups. Classes are conducted on a mat and stool. (Stools are provided). Please dress comfortably and bring a yoga mat and water. Classes are held on Monday, 9:00-10:00 a.m.
Session 1, September 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 2022
Session 2, October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 2022
Location: The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye
Fee: \$75 per session (5 classes)

ADULT YOGA & MEDITATION is instructed by nationally-certified classical yoga teacher Jeanie Ryan. Build core strength, flexibility and balance while gaining relaxation tools and healthy living tips. Learn the ancient practice of combining yoga and meditation to harmonize the mind, body and spirit. This is a multi-level class. Beginners welcome. Please bring your own yoga mat. Classes are held on Thursday, 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Session 1, September 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2022
Fee: \$99 per session (6 classes)
Session 2, November 3, 10, 17, December 8, 15, 2022
Fee: \$82.50 per session (5 classes)
Location: The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye

RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE is co-ed and open to grades K-4. Held December 3, 2022 to February 18, 2023. Grade K meets once a week to practice and play as a group at Rye Elementary. Grades 1-4 meets twice a week, once for practice and Saturday for games. Held at Rye Elementary School. Fee: \$50 for 1st registrant, \$45 for each additional registrant from the same family (includes uniform shirt). *Late fee of \$45 will apply to registrations received after the Friday, October 28, 2022 deadline.*
***Please note the Recreational Basketball League will be offered Pending Rye Elementary School approval and availability.**



ADULT PICK-UP BASKETBALL Look for more information coming soon!! ***Please note Adult Pick-up Basketball will be offered pending Rye Junior High approval and availability.**



RYE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM is open to grades K-5, 2:40-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, at Rye Elementary School. The cost of the program is \$18.00 per day with a minimum of two days required. Space in the program is limited. Contact Rye Recreation at 603.964.6281 regarding availability.



**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES!
PART TIME
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
COUNSELORS AND
WAVE AFTERSCHOOL CLUB COUNSELORS**

For more information contact:
Dyana Martin, Recreation Director
603.964.6281 or dmartin@town.rye.nh.us



**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!
RECREATION COMMISSION
MEMBER VACANCY**

For more information contact:
Dyana Martin, Recreation Director
603.964.6281 or dmartin@town.rye.nh.us

Rye Public Library Events: Fall 2022

“Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.” — Albert Camus

Ongoing Activities:

Adult Book Discussion: Please sign up to join these lively discussion groups.

Fourth Wednesday of each month at 2:00 pm!

9/28 *Count the Ways* by Joyce Maynard

10/26 *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

11/16 *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles

Coloring for Adults: 11:00 am on Mondays! Materials provided.	Military Book Discussions: First Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. 9/1, 10/6, 11/3
RPL Knitters: By the Fireplace at 10:00 am on Thursdays! All skill levels are invited to join this welcoming group.	

Monday Movie Matinees – shown in the Community Meeting Room on the second Monday of every month at 1:00 pm

Sept 12 <i>Death on the Nile</i> PG-13 127 min	Oct 10 <i>Queen Bees</i> PG-13 100 min
November 14 <i>Uncharted</i> PG-13 116 min	

Save the Date!

Join us for a special presentation on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 6:30PM when adventurer Ed Webster brings us his amazing photography to illustrate his talk *Antarctica Comes Alive!*

FRIENDS OF THE RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY

New members welcome!

The FRPL meet monthly on Third Tuesdays at 6:00PM

Museum memberships supported by *The Friends*:

Children’s Museum of NH, Dover

Currier Museum of Art, Manchester

Historic New England

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston MA

Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

Museum of Science, Boston MA

Strawbery Banke, Portsmouth

Ogunquit Museum of Art, ME

Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA

Seacoast Science Center, Rye

NH State Parks parking pass

Woodman Museum, Dover

Museum Passes Donated by the Friends of the Rye Public Library

**Join us on these forthcoming dates, and watch for even more
Friends of the RPL programming!**

Thursday, September 29 6:30 – 7:30 pm Author and Chef James Haller, talk and book signing; *At the End of Ceres Street*. Sponsored by the Friends of the Rye Public Library.

Tuesday, October 4 6:30- 7:30 pm Visual Jazz: the history, utility, beauty and identity of the American Quilt. Sponsored by the Friends of the Rye Public Library.

ASK A LIBRARIAN about Technology – If you have questions about your computer or how-to on your device [phone or tablet] call RPL at 603-964-8401 to set up a tech help session. These sessions are process oriented and not meant to troubleshoot device functionality. If you wonder how to download books and other materials to your device, create an e-mail account or manage storage, etc. this session is for you. If your device just crashed or won't boot up, that's beyond the scope here.

Rye Public Library Youth Department

Summer Reading Programming! Sept – Nov 2022 More details at ryepubliclibrary.org or (603) 964 – 9551

<p><u>Youth Programs:</u> Toddler Sensory Play Mondays 10:30-11:00am Messy Art 2nd and 4th Mondays 1:00-1:45am Story Time Thursdays 10:30am Outdoor Open Art, Chalk Art, and Popsicles Tuesdays 3:00-3:45pm Teen Book Box Release* 2nd Wednesday of the month Middle Grade Book Box Release* 1st Wednesday of the month Youth and Teen Take & Makes Available starting the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month while supplies last</p>	<p>Writers' Group* 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month via Zoom 6:30-8:00pm Grades 6+ Lego Night 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month 4:30-5:30pm Pokemon Night 1st Tuesday of the month 5:00-6:00pm Graphic Novel Book Club <i>Check website for book titles</i> 3rd Thursday of the month 4:30-5:15pm Grades 4-6 Paper Bag Book Club <i>Check website for book titles</i> 1st Thursday of the month 4:30pm-5:15pm</p>
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***Asterisked programs require signing up! Please visit our website for registration links.**

Rye Library Board of Trustees Update

Since June, 2021, the Trustees of the Rye Public Library have been working with various groups to create an enhanced green space, named the “Library Common,” on the Parsonage property it acquired earlier in 2021.

Our goal is to create a public space not only for library programming but for public gatherings sponsored by other organizations that, like the library, contribute to the cultural and social life of the community. In fact, this space already has hosted a number of well-attended library events, encouraging us to make it an even more attractive place for Rye to gather.

To that end the trustees have:

- Contracted with Warrenstreet Architects of Concord, NH and Altus Engineering of Portsmouth, NH to design and engineer the project.
- Organized and met regularly with an Advisory Committee consisting of approximately fifteen volunteer town residents to gain public input in shaping the purpose, physical attributes, features and function of the common.
- Developed and approved a concept plan, through many iterations, for the common generated from numerous meetings and work sessions with the architect, engineer and Advisory Committee and presented it to the Select Board, the Rye Town Center Committee, the Rye Conservation Commission, and the Rye Historical Society, all of whom endorsed the concept plan as not only a positive but a transformative addition to the Rye Town Center.
- Met with the Rye Historical Society and the Advisory Committee to finalize the concept’s proposed relocation of the Rye Town Museum to a more prominent position fronting on the common, along with the library, in a campus-like setting.
- Begun the process of forming a “campaign committee” to lead the necessary efforts to inform, advertise, and fundraise for the common.

The benefits of the concept to the town include:

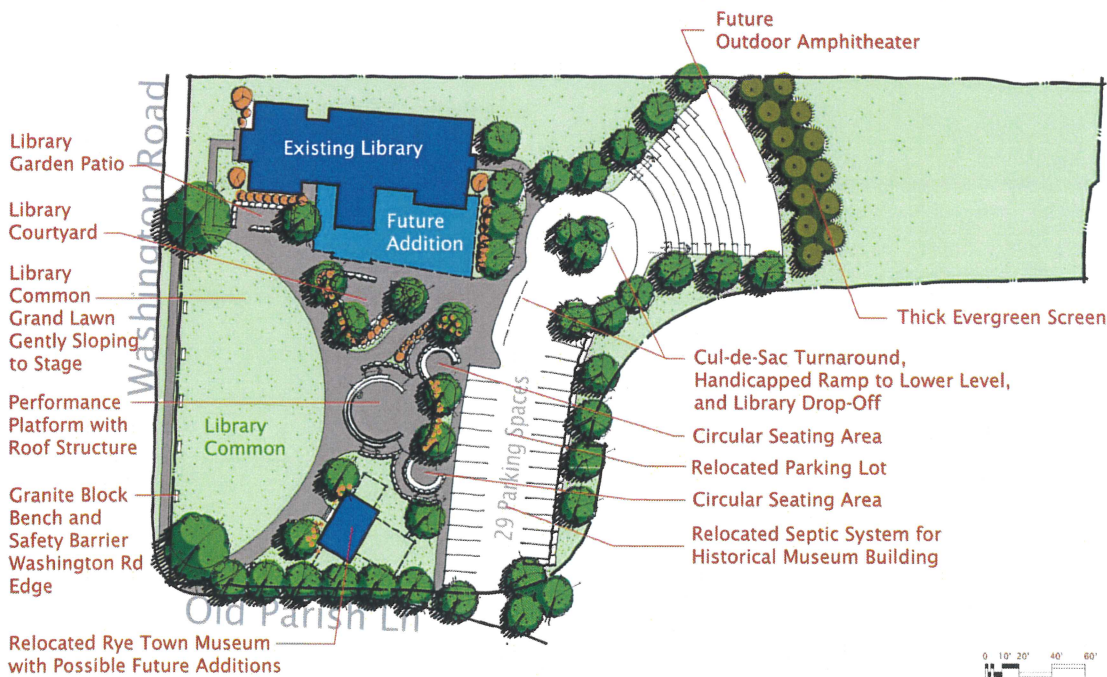
A larger green space for library programming and town gatherings and events than is currently available, including a performance space for use by the library and the town when hosting those events.

- An improved location for the Rye Town Museum connecting it more effectively to the common green space as its “front yard” while also allowing more room for RHS programming and possible future expansion of the museum building.
- Significant space for any future expansion of the Rye Public Library.
- Upgraded infrastructure for the property, including a new and improved foundation for the museum, a new septic system for that building, and new library parking lot to replace the aging one constructed twenty-five years ago.

By design, no physical work on the Library Common site is planned until after 2023 as the Rye Historical Society and the Rye Town Museum will be hosting celebratory events of RYE 400. The trustees will, however, continue the significant architectural and engineering work that has been underway, and both seeks and welcomes continued input from town residents.

The Advisory Committee will continue to meet, members for the campaign committee are still being sought, and our

work with the architect and engineer on the specifics of the design details for the common during our public meetings is ongoing. [Please feel free to contact the trustees or library director Andy Richmond to learn more about this project or to discuss ways to become involved or to provide input.]



Library Board of Trustees,
 Jeff Ross, Chairman
 Victor Azzi
 Michael Moody
 Christine LeBlond
 JoAnn Hodgdon

Rye School District Update



Rye Students returned to school on August 30th and when they do, they will be greeted by two new principals and a new Superintendent. Michelle Pitts is the new Rye Elementary School Principal; Anne Gilbert is the new Rye Junior High School Principal and Dr. Steven Zadavec is the new SAU50 Superintendent. All three began their new positions on July 1st and bring a host of experience, knowledge, and enthusiasm to their new roles.

Ms. Pitts joins RES with 13 years of administrative experience in two larger public schools and is currently pursuing a doctorate in Educational Leadership at Southern NH University. Ms. Pitts shared that she is “thrilled to be joining such a collaborative and supportive community. Rye Elementary School is a special place. My goal is to ensure that all students, staff, families, and community members feel welcome and that our children continue to thrive and enjoy school each day.”

Ms. Gilbert’s career began 20 years ago at Rye Junior High School as a faculty member. She is a Granite State Leadership Academy Fellow enrolled in a Certificate of Advanced Studies Degree Program in Educational Leadership at Southern NH University. “The energy and enthusiasm of our new administrative team is such a motivating factor.” added Gilbert, “I’m looking forward to a productive year as we continue to build our Rye Schools community.”

Dr. Zadavec comes to SAU50 from neighboring Portsmouth (SAU52) where he served as Superintendent since 2015 after a decade as assistant superintendent. In his role as leader of SAU 50, Steve will oversee K-8 schools in Greenland, New Castle, Newington, and Rye. “There is great energy for innovation in Rye.” says Zadavec, “I am looking forward to finding new ways to support our high-quality staff, talented leaders, and supportive community in continuing to develop the best learning experiences for our students.”

The new administrative team met with the School Board for the first time on August 16th for their annual

planning session. School Board Chair Matt Curtin reports that “the meeting was exciting! These leaders are bringing new perspectives and fresh ideas to the school community and the level of collaboration between the two schools has never been better.”

The School Board meets on the third Wednesday of each month at Rye Junior High School and all community members are welcome to attend.

Thank you to the entire community for your continued support and we look forward to a wonderful start to school on August 30th!

Rye School Board,
Matt Curtin, Chairman
Heather Reed
Katherine Errecart
Jeanne Moynahan
Susan Ross

Rye Senior SERVE is here to serve Rye Seniors.

Rye Senior SERVE can help you manage your vital errands. Our dedicated staff and volunteers will provide you with safe and dependable transportation. We provide weekly door to door service to:

- ⇒ Shopping at Market Basket
- ⇒ Breakfast at Hebert’s
- ⇒ TD Bank
- ⇒ Local pharmacies

Additionally, **Rye Senior SERVE** offers monthly outings to local restaurants.

Rye Senior SERVE and its volunteers can also provide individual transportation to necessary local appointments.

For more information please contact Jim Delaney at 603.436.6041.



Energy Committee Update

Community Power is progressing. The Public Utilities Commission approved the rules for electric aggregation implementation on July 27. Our Community Power Coalition of NH board member Lisa Sweet and alternate Howard Kalet met with the Select Board on July 25 and again on August 8 to discuss the modifications to the Electric Aggregation Plan required by the PUC rules. The CPCNH timeline is currently on-track for a launch date in spring 2023.

We will be offering public information sessions about community power in the upcoming months. Learn more on our webpage at <https://tinyurl.com/ryenhec>.

Due to the rise in price of natural gas, Eversource electric supply rates increased on August 1 from 10.6 cents per kWh to 22.56 cents per kWh. For those who have not already switched to an alternative electric supplier, you may want to check the rates of suppliers listed on the NH Energy Department website. Be sure to look for contracts that do not have a cancellation penalty. <https://www.energy.nh.gov/engyapps/ceps/ResidentialCompare.aspx?choice=Eversource>

The Town Hall geothermal heating system has been recently repaired. This will maximize on the cooling and heating provided by the system, maximizing comfort and minimizing cost for operation.

Installation of the solar systems for the Rye schools has been delayed by the need to install new roofs. Now that a new roof has been installed on the Junior High gymnasium, the solar system installation should be complete by year end. The Elementary school solar system should be installed after the roof is replaced next year.

With the heating season coming up, you may want to take advantage of a Button Up presentation. These hourlong presentations discuss ways to reduce your energy bills and to make your home more comfortable this heating season. Watch a Button Up webinar here: <https://youtu.be/os0cpTjbT1U>.

Here’s a link to the New England Oil website that lists the prices from many local fuel oil dealers. Not every dealer is included, but it gives you a

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sense of the going rates. <https://www.newenglandoil.com/>

You may also want to consider joining a group purchasing organization like Our Town Energy Alliance. They are a non-profit group that buys oil and propane in bulk so members get a discount price. <https://ourtownenergyalliance.com/>

The Committee plans to have a table at the Annual Rye Lions Club Car Show on Sunday, September 18. We will have information about community power, ways to reduce your heating and energy bills, as well as an electric vehicle. Stop by to say hello.

We want to welcome our newest member Frank Melanson. Frank is Supervisor of Energy Efficiency at Ever-source so he is a valuable resource for our committee and town residents.

The committee is looking for members to fill two open positions. Anyone is welcome to attend our meetings which are held on the first Tuesday of the month at the Rye Public Library. Please join us!

Rye Energy Committee,
Howard Kalet, Co-Chairman
Tom Pfau, Co-Chairman
Lisa Sweet
Carl Nicolino
Frank Melanson

Rye Mosquito Control Commission Update

Dragon Mosquito has continued providing pest control services to the Town of Rye for the 2022 season. Trapping of adult mosquitoes in Rye continues until mid-October when the State Lab in Concord stops disease testing and Dragon stops submitting samples. Treatment of mosquito larvae is ongoing in salt marshes and stagnant freshwater sites such as catch basins, swamps, ditches and woodland pools. During a drought, mosquitoes can find water wherever it collects from rain, car washing or outdoor watering. Female mosquitoes will lay eggs in any backyard

container.

There has been no detection of West Nile Virus (WNV), Jamestown Canyon Virus (JCV) or Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in mosquitoes collected in Rye as of mid-August. According to the State Lab, WNV has been found in mosquitoes trapped in Manchester. WNV is the most common disease spread by mosquitoes in the US. However, JCV is currently the prevalent mosquito borne disease in NH. Jamestown Canyon Virus human cases have increased in the last several years. New Hampshire has seen 20 human JCV infections since 2013 including two deaths. Stay up to date on the disease risk in your area by visiting the NH Department of Health and Human Services website at <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/>.

Mosquitoes will be a disease risk until there are two hard freezes. That may not occur until after Thanksgiving. Everyone can reduce their exposure by following these suggestions:

Use Barriers and Remove Mosquito Habitats

- Repair holes in screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out
- Change bird bath water every few days
- Frequently empty and turn over, cover, or throw out items that hold water, such as tires, buckets, toys, pools, flowerpots, canoes or trash containers

Avoid Getting Bitten

- Keep mosquitoes away from skin by wearing long-sleeved shirts, long pants, and socks
- Stay indoors at dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active
- Use EPA registered mosquito repellents when necessary and follow label directions and precautions closely

Keep in mind that ticks are active in the fall and they persist throughout the winter when the temperatures are above freezing and the ground is not covered by snow.

Prevent Tick Bites

- Wear light colored clothing
- Tuck your shirt into your pants and your pants into your socks
- Treat your clothing and gear with 0.5% Permethrin or buy clothes that are pretreated such as Insect Shield or No Fly Zone
- Use an EPA registered insect repellent

- Avoid tall grassy areas and walk in the middle of trails
- Check your clothing, skin and scalp for ticks
Examine your gear and pets
Shower soon after being outside

Submitted by
Tim Sanborn, Chairman

Sewer Commission Receives Federal, State And Local Support

The Sewer Commission has been actively evaluating the sewer infrastructure, which is now 30+ years old, as well as pursuing State and Federal funds and educational opportunities. A pump stations assessment was conducted to identify required capacity and operational improvements to enhance the level of service at each pump station. This assessment is an important factor in the planning process. Another is asset management which will be a focal point this coming year. A Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Pre-Application to develop an asset management program was submitted. Rye was placed on the CWSRF Priority List and has been allocated a \$30,000 grant, pending a final application and the scope approval process. This will allow the Sewer Commission to dig deep and determine the value of assets owned, further prioritize assets based on condition, conduct a life cycle analysis of assets and develop funding strategies for asset maintenance and replacement.

The Sewer Commission has also been selected to receive a Flood Smart Seacoast Non-Financial Technical Assistance Grant. That grant will provide technical assistance in preparing FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Application Materials for one or more potential projects. In addition to completing a Benefit Cost Analysis Methodology for each project and to conduct public outreach. Three possible projects have been identified: 1. Risk assessment of the sewer infrastructure to identify mitigation measures to increase system resilience; 2. Replacement of outdated generators at two pump stations and installation of mobile generator plugs;

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and 3. Manhole improvements to prevent floodwater from entering the sewer system.

Since the beginning of the year the Sewer Commission has taken advantage of a number of educational opportunities offered by the New Hampshire Department of Environment Services, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Environmental Finance Center Network (Water Infrastructure Funding Workshops, Drinking Water Infrastructure Environmental Review; Intermediate Asset Management Beyond the Basics Workshop; and Lift Station Operation and Maintenance). Actively pursuing educational and funding opportunities as well as planning is imperative to the wellness of our small user-based system.

The annual flushing of the sewer lines and cleaning of the wet wells recently took place and preparations are underway to conduct a significant and much needed upgrade to the Abenaqui



Pump Station. Although system operations are increasingly demanding it is exciting as we prepare for the future.

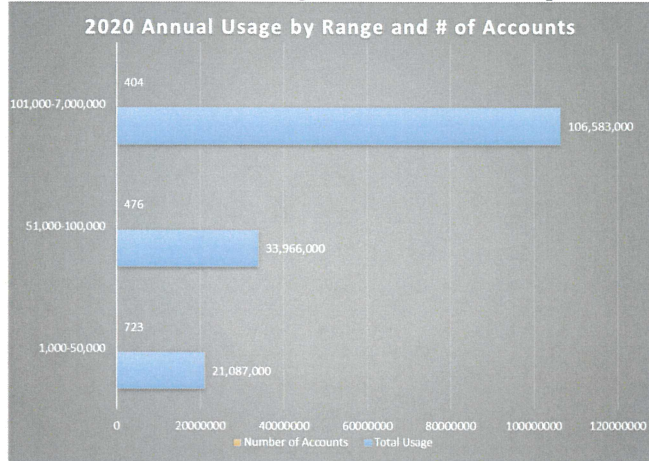
The Sewer Commissioners are David Kohlhase, Chairman, Susan Labrie, and John McCune, and the Sewer Director is Lee Arthur. The Sewer Office is located on the second floor of the Rye Beach Village District Building, 830 Central Road, Rye Beach, NH. If you have any questions, please feel free to drop in or contact us at (603) 964-6815.



David Kohlhase, Chairman
Rye Sewer Commission

Rye Water District News

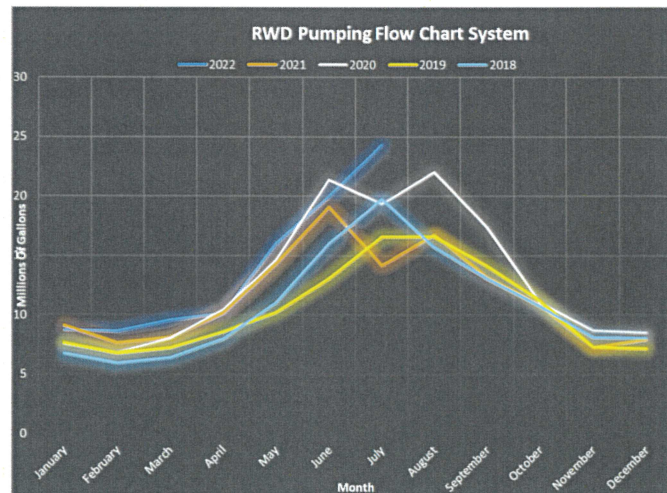
Drought: NHDES in June of 2022 listed most of the N.H. seacoast region in Drought Category D1 (Moderate Drought). The District imposed Voluntary Water Restrictions at that time. Beginning early August 2022 NHDES moved all of the N.H. seacoast region to Drought Category D2 (Severe Drought), which is when the District imposed Mandatory Water Restrictions. While many water users complied with the restrictions, however, a significant number of households did not comply with the restrictions. The District staff members tried to inform as many owners as possible of current drought conditions and requirements.



This chart from 2020 displays usage in millions of gallons by the number of accounts that reveals the number of accounts using conservative measures. 2020 had similar Drought Conditions to 2022. The chart shows that 404 users consumed between 101,000 and 7,000,000 gallons each in 2020 for a total usage of 106,538,000 gallons. On the other hand, the 723 most conservative households, each using less than 50,000 gallons/year, use approximately 20% of the total usage of heavy users.

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Water Use: The Rye Water District would like to remind our customers even though summer is coming to an end, cautious conservation measures should be followed throughout the year. Our water is a valuable resource that supports our daily domestic use (e.g., drinking, personal hygiene, and cooking) but also for fire protection. This resource has a finite availability. RWD urges you to conserve by limiting essential and non-essential usage. Irrigation and poor usage management have put a huge strain on our system, especially in the past few years most notably during the summer months. Please visit our website for water conservation tips and



or call our office (603) 436-2596 for more information. The following graph shows the substantial usage increase by month over the year during the summer months.

Major Project (Wallis Rd): Starting after Labor Day 2022 the District will begin the replacement of the 8" cast iron water main on Wallis Rd. from the intersection of Odiorne Dr. to Rte.1A-Ocean Blvd.

The 8" cast iron main will be replaced with 12" high-density polyethylene (HDPE) by open trench excavation and directional drilling. Utilizing directional drilling technology will limit road and potential environmental impacts to that area. The increased pipe diameter and HDPE style of pipe will increase fire flow capacities and limit pipe failure due to the corrosive nature of that area. The project is anticipated to be substantially completed by early Winter of 2022 and final completion is expected by Spring of 2023. The loan funds were provided by the NH Department of Environment Services (NHDES)-Drinking Water Groundwater Trust Fund. Further questions: contact Supt. Arik Jones (603) 817-1344

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Other Projects: The district is involved in several other significant projects:

- The District received a grant from NHDES to perform Asset Management Program updates which will assist with financial decision-making and provide allocation for the future benefit of the District.
- New source water research is presently going on and several target areas have been located on Town property off West Road. At this time over 85 water meters have been updated so far this year and staff will continue to update you.
- System leak detection was performed earlier this year identifying three small leaks which will have been repaired by the time you read this. Several hydrants have been replaced or installed new to the system.
- Due to a new ruling on manganese level in drinking water, the District will be reconfiguring the Point of Entry (POE) for all three wells on Garland Rd. to ensure proper blending of water to meet the new ruling of Maximum Contamination Level (MCL) and Health Advisory Level (HAL) set by NHDES for January 1, 2023.

Commissioner Positions: At our annual meeting in March of 2022 Tom Clifford was replaced by Scott Marion on the Board of Commissioners. Scott comes to us with a vast variety of knowledge and background. Welcome aboard Scott and we look forward to working with you! Our other two Commissioners Mr. Ditto and Mr. Hickson, whose terms expire in 2022 and 2023 respectfully, have indicated that they intend to end the service by these dates, if not sooner.

In response to these future open positions, the Commissioners request that any individual interested in serving as a RWD commissioner to express their interest to the RWD at this time, or a convenient time in the near future. Contact can be by phone at 603-436-2596 or the Commissioners' e-mail at commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net

Commissioner's Email: If you have any issues or concerns with the water system operations feel free to email the Commissioners directly at: commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net

Rye Water District Commissioners,
Ralph Hickson, Art Ditto and Scott Marion

ANNUAL RYE HOLIDAY PARADE DECEMBER 4th

The Town of Rye and The Rye Lions Club would like to invite your organization to participate in the annual Rye Holiday Parade. This year will be a little different, as the Holiday Parade will be the kick off of the Town of Rye's 400th Anniversary celebration. After the parade there will be a candle light stroll through the center of Town and end with a tree lighting ceremony at Parsons Field, sponsored by the Rye400 Committee and the Rye Historical Society.



Date/Time: **Sunday, December 4, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.**

The parade will form behind **Webster at Rye, 795 Washington Road at 3:00 p.m. and will march along Washington Road to the Rye Junior High School.**

Trophies will be awarded to the winning entries following the parade at the Rye Junior High School.

This year's theme will be **"VINTAGE RYE HOLIDAY"**.

Please return entry forms as soon as possible to: Attention: Parade Chairman, Rye Fire Department, 555 Washington Road, Rye, NH 03870. For additional information call (603) 964-6411.

Thank You,

Chuck Gallant
Rye Holiday Parade Chairman

Organization _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Contact person _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Type of entry - Please circle: BUSINESS NON-PROFIT FIRE APPARATUS FLOAT BAND
WALKING UNIT EQUESTRIAN

****ANY FLOATS CARRYING CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULTS ON BOARD TO SUPERVISE CHILDREN. NO EXCEPTIONS. ****

This parade is a town event coordinated by the Rye Fire Department.

Town of Rye Board Meetings

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Selectmen's meetings are held in the Rye Town Hall Courtroom (first floor), 10 Central Road. Other board meetings are also held at Rye Town Hall, 10 Central Rd., unless otherwise noted. Because meeting schedules are subject to change, check the bulletin board at Town Hall or the Town website: www.town.rye.nh.us for up-to-date information.

September 2022

				1 5:30 pm Heritage Commission	2 4:00 pm Supervisors of the Checklist	3
4	5 Labor Day Town Offices Closed	6 1:00 pm Long Range Planning 3:00 pm Energy Comm. 4:00 pm Rules & Regs Committee	7 9:00 am Rye Water District 60 Sagamore Road 7:00 pm Zoning Board of Adjustment	8 6:30 pm Conservation Commission	9	10
11	12 4:30pm CIP Committee 6:30 pm Select Board	13 <u>State Primary Election</u> 8:00 am Sewer Comm. 6:00 pm Planning Board	14 5:30 pm Historic District Commission	15	16	17
18	19 6:30 pm Select Board	20 5:00 pm Mosquito Control 6:00 pm Planning Board	21 9:00 am Rye Water District Work Session 60 Sagamore Road 6:30 pm Beach Committee 6:30 pm Recycling Education Committee	22	23 First Day of Autumn	24
25	26 4:30pm CIP Committee	27	28	29	30	

October 2022

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November 2022

30 Trick-or-Treat 5:00-7:00 pm	31 Halloween 4:30pm CIP Committee					
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20	21 6:30 pm Beach Committee	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Town Offices Closed	25 Town Offices Closed	26
27	28 6:30 pm Select Board	29	30 9:00 am Rye Water District Work Session 60 Sagamore Road			

Library Trustees, first Thursday every month
5:30 pm at the Library

Additional Civic Meetings: Rye Lions Club, First Wednesday every month, 7 pm at the Rye Library
Friends of the Library, second Tuesday every month, 7pm at the Library

Remember to VOTE

8:00am—7:00 p.m. at the Rye Elementary School

- September 13, 2022
NH State Primary
- November 8, 2022
General Election



Please Bring Your Photo ID With You!

RYE FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE



Date: October 2, 2022
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.
555 Washington Road

COME TOUR THE
STATION
AND MEET YOUR FIRE,
POLICE and EMT'S



39th Annual Rye Lions Car Show

Sunday, September 18, 2022

Parson's Field, Washington Road, Rye, NH

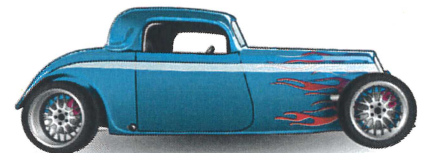
Registration 8:00-11:00 a.m. Trophies
awarded at 2:00 p.m.

\$10.00 entry fee for car and driver
\$3.00 for spectators

Great Food and Music!

Any questions call Alan at 379-2080 or visit
the website at www.rye.nhlions.org.

If you would like to learn more about the
Lions Club, please come and visit us at a
meeting, the first Wednesday of every month
in the Rye Public Library at 6:30 p.m.



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