

# Newton Conservators **E-Bulletin**

Friday, June 10, 2016 ... Newton's land trust working to preserve open space since 1961



# June Doin' on Saturday!

June is bustin out all over! Lots happening this weekend! So don't miss our great Second Annual June Doin tomorrow, Saturday, June 11 from 10 am to 2 pm at Nahanton Park! This is a wonderful kid's event with lots of nature exploration opportunities. It's a hopping weekend with an invasive session on Sunday at our lovely Houghton Garden, the Paddles and Petals event at Crystal Lake is on for Sunday (postponed from last Sunday's rainy day), and nature poems at Edmands Park. We are Newton's own open space and land trust organization and our current events calendar is below for you to consider in getting out and about in Newton and nearby environs!

## **Events Calendar**

Saturday, June 11, 10 am - 2 pm Second Annual June Doin' Nahanton Park Sponsored by the Newton Conservators

Come and enjoy this park, which includes riverfront, community garden plots, meadows, wooded hillsides, wild blackberry bushes, wetlands and a pond— all on a plateau overlooking the river valley. We had a great time last year, and it will be even better this year! June Doin' is a Celebration for Families at Nahanton Park on Saturday, June 11 from 10 -2 (rain or shine). Registration near Nahanton Street entrance to the park. All events are free--except for Canoe and Kayak rentals. Meet at or near the Nature Center for all



events. There will be bird walks, invasive identification session, canoeing demo, info on the woodcock meadow restoration, a hike, fly tying demo, fern walk, bug session, tree climbing demo, and bean seed planting, along with canoe and kayak rental at special rate. Cookies,

water, and juice boxes courtesy of our sponsors. Bring a picnic lunch to eat in the Nahanton Park picnic area. Detailed information at http://www.newtonconservators.org/events/2016JuneDoinNahantonFarmOutlines.pdf NEWTON Schedule of Events June Doin' Celebration for Families at Nahanton Park Saturday, June 11th Rain or Shine! Registration near Nahanton Street entrance to the park. All events are free - except for the Canoe and Kayak Rentals. Meet at or near the Nature Center for all events. 10:00 am - 11:00 am ...... Bird Walk led by Pete Gilmore Identifying Invasive Plants led by Katherine Howard and Ann Dorfman 10:30 am - 11:00 am ...... Basic Canoeing Demo led by Larry Smith 11:00 am - 12:00 pm ...... Woodcock Meadow Restoration Project led by Jon Regosin Hike along Helen Heyn Riverway (2 miles) led by Henry Finch Fly Tying Demo led by Rolly Johnson and Bill Hagar 11:30 am = 12:00 pm ...... Basic Canoeing Demo led by Larry Smith 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm ...... Fern Walk and ID Session led by Don Lubin Nature Walk: Bugs to Trees" led by Eric Olson 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm ...... Tree Climbing Demonstration\* led by Eric Olson All Day Events...... Canoe & Kayak Rental available at special rate · Cookies and organic juice boxes courtesy of our sponsors. · Bring a picnic lunch to eat in the Nahanton Park picnic area. \*Events especially suitable for children. For more event details, see NewtonConservators.org.

Sunday, June 12, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Houghton Garden/Webster Invasives Pull. Opposite 210 Suffolk Rd., Newton, MA 02467

#### www.newtonconservators.org/19houghton.htm

We are tackling garlic mustard and black swallow-wort near the entrance of Houghton Garden where it borders the T Track crossing to Webster Woods and near the deer park. Help us keep these invaders out of Houghton Garden! In case of poison ivy, wear long pants and garden gloves. Trash bags will be provided; the plants must be disposed of as trash, not as yard waste. Meet opposite 162-210 Suffolk Rd. (off of Hammond Street) at the entrance to Houghton Garden. Leader is Katherine Howard, 617-527-1796 (home) or 617-721-2571 (cell).

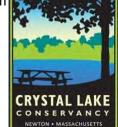
#### Sunday, June 12, 1 - 5 pm Paddles and Petals - Crystal Lake Celebration 20 Rogers Street, Newton Highlands, MA

This event was rescheduled from last Sunday. Come for An Afternoon of Fun on Crystal Lake! The Crystal Lake Conservancy and the Newton Parks and Recreation Department invite you to join them for a Sunday afternoon of activities on Crystal Lake. Participants may sign up for half hour slots between 1-4:00pm to enjoy the pleasures of canoeing/kayaking/paddle boarding. A lifeguard will be on duty and all participants will be required to wear life jackets and sign a waiver. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult while on the water. \$10 donation per canoe/kayak/paddleboard. Refreshments\*Related Vendor Booths\*Flower for Home Planting. Sponsors: Whole Foods and Star Market. Visit www.CrystalLakeConservancy.org for more info.

#### Sunday, June 12, 2 pm Nature Poems at Edmands Park Edmands Park, Opposite 65 Blake St., Newton, Ma, 02460

Edmands Park was founded when the Edmands family gifted 33 acres to the City of Newton. In 2014 there was a new addition to the park: an installation of contemporary nature poems by living poets, inscribed on the old stone pilasters of a 1930s fencing system for a skating pond, and on the granite walls framing two entrances to the park. Join Grey Held, poet and program director of Poetry in Edmands Park, for a leisurely walk through the park and a chance to enjoy poetry that enhances the beauty of the natural landscape. Wear sturdy shoes. Suggested donation to Historic Newton, \$10. www.historicnewton.org, Contact:617-796-1450.

Saturday, June 18, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Charles River Quinobequin/Hemlock Gorge Invasives Pull. Near 2 Ellis St., Newton, MA 02464 www.newtonconservators.org/21hemlock.htm







We have expanded our efforts to control garlic mustard, knotweed, and black swallow-wort infestations inside beautiful Hemlock Gorge Park, and also in the adjoining lovely walking trail along the Charles River at Quinobequin Rd. Help us keep the invaders out of these beautiful parks! In case of poison ivy, wear long pants and garden gloves. Trash bags will be provided; the plants must be disposed of as trash, not as yard waste. Meet at the parking lot at corner of Quinobequin Rd. and Ellis St. at Rt. 9



intersection. Leaders are Jerry Reilly and Katherine Howard, 617-527-1796 (home) or 617-721-2571 (cell).

Sunday, June 19, 9:30 am (Father's Day) Annual Bike Tour de Newton Register at: <u>https://www.bikereg.com/tour-de-newton</u>

Tour Newton - join a group from each of Newton's villages to complete the bicycle circuit around town or just a few stops. Bike as a group and get snacks at each village! Sponsored by Bike Newto, <u>www.bikenewton.org</u>.

#### Saturday, June 25 at 11:00 am (Rain Date: Sunday, June 26) Houghton Garden Fern Walk

This garden remains from the Houghton Estate and is now owned by Newton. It is part of the Webster Conservation Area complex near Hammond Pond that runs from Rt. 9 north beyond the MBTA Riverside line. The garden, only lightly managed now, retains a variety of flowering plants and a surprising diversity of ferns. We will see more than a dozen fern species and one club-moss. Park on Suffolk Road (of Hammond St.) and meet near the gate at Woodman Rd. Trip Leader: Don Lubin (617-254-8464), http://nefern.info, don@nefern.info

#### Tuesday, July 19, 6:30-9:30 pm Annual Dinner on the Farm Newton Community Farm

Please consider the annual Dinner on the Farm, where you can enjoy a beautiful evening with fantastic food, and a gorgeous view of our fields. As in past years, Farm Board Member and Chef Jon Orren will offer a delicious and inventive menu, prepared with the help of the culinary arts students at Newton South, using produce from the Farm. And new this year.... Chad and Sharon Burns of Farmstead Table will be treating guests to dessert from the Farmstead Table kitchen. More information at www.newtoncommuntivfarm.org.







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