

SEE Notice Below!

- ***2nd Session to vote on Town and School Warrants, March 9th***
- ***Road Postings will be going into effect***
- ***Supervisors of the Checklist meeting Saturday, 2/27/21***
- ***New Hampton School Bicentennial Gala postponed***
- ***The History Corner***

THE “NEW HAMPTON CONNECTION”

E-mail notices will be sent from this office with dates, locations and times of Town Meetings, special meetings, special events, and other important town events or information. We hope you will find these notices helpful. These e-mails will not provide notice of regular scheduled meetings, deadlines, holiday hours, general information, etc. For such scheduled information, please check the town web site www.new-hampton.nh.us or call the Town Office at 744-3559. All public meeting notices are posted at the Town Office and Public Works Department. All town newspaper notices are placed in the Laconia Daily Sun.

Please talk with other New Hampton residents who may not have been contacted to see if they are interested in receiving these e-mails. I also would encourage you to get the “word out” about important information to those who may not have e-mail.

If at some future time you change your e-mail address or you wish to be removed from the list please send an e-mail to nirvine@new-hampton.nh.us.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: Kenneth A. Mertz, Michael A. Drake, and Eric Shaw

Neil G. Irvine
Town Administrator
Town of New Hampton
6 Pinnacle Hill Road
Tel. 744-3559

February 24, 2021

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SECOND SESSION

You are notified to meet for the Second Session of the 2021 Town Meeting, to vote by official ballot Election of town officers, zoning amendments and the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, to be held at the Town House, 86 Town House Road, New Hampton on **Tuesday, the 9th day of March** next. Polls for voting by official ballot at the Town House will **open at 11:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.** unless the town votes to keep the

polls open to a later hour. Sample Town and School ballots are available on the Town Website homepage.

The Town Clerk is encouraging residents to vote by Absentee Ballot during the pandemic. For those that choose to vote in person, precautions will be taken, similar to the ones observed during the November election. Please note that the Town's Warrant has 16 proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and the Town Ballot totals six pages. Please go to the Town Website homepage to see the sample ballot and the details on the zoning amendments. The PowerPoint presentation that was given at the 1st Deliberative Session is also available.

Absentee Ballots can be obtained by contacting the Town Clerk at 744-8454. The Absentee Ballot application is also available on the Town Website homepage for your convenience.

POSTING OF TOWN ROADS

Please be advised that the town roads within the Town of New Hampton will be posted, on or about March 1st, for a **weight limit of 10 tons**. It may be possible for you, or a contractor, to receive a special permit to operate over posted roads for a job or operation for specific dates and times based on weather and road conditions. These permits are available from the Public Works Director Jim Boucher.

Please contact him to request a permit or if you have further questions at 744-8025 or leave a message at the Selectmen's Office at 744-3559 and we will get a message to him.

Notice of Public Session TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

To: Residents of the Town of New Hampton

The Supervisors of the Checklist, Town of New Hampton, will hold their next meeting on Saturday, **February 27, 2021, from 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**, on the second floor of the Town Office. They will meet to update the Registry of Voters and to process requests to change party affiliation. Voter applicants must bring: birth certificate, passport, or naturalization papers as proof of age and citizenship. They also must have proof of domicile, e.g. a utility bill.

*Cindy Ossola, Mike Dowal, MJ Vien
Supervisors of the Checklist*

New Hampton School Bicentennial Gala Postponed

Due to state restrictions on gathering size and for the health and safety of the community, the New Hampton School Bicentennial Gala originally scheduled for the summer of 2021 has been postponed to June 4, 2022.

The History Corner

When St Clair's Orchestra Comes to Town, There Will Be No Drunkards!

In October of 1901, Ina Bickford reached out to Charles St. Clair, the director of Laconia's St. Clair Orchestra, to arrange a performance for a New Hampton School Literary event. The orchestra provide musical programs, dramatic readings, and other entertainment for a variety of venues in the Lakes Region. Ina (NHS Class of 1898) was not only assisting her father, Rev. Lewis Bickford, in operating the newly opened Gordon-Nash Library, but also teaching stenography and typing at New Hampton School.

In his response to Ina, Mr. St. Clair indicated that the cost for a six-person orchestra would be \$24 – and as they were coming “by team” (horse and wagon), they would also have to be accommodated for the night should the weather turn bad. Finally, Director St. Clair assured Ina that he would provide “a good orchestra and no Drunkards” as “I draw the line on drink and will not allow it in my orchestra. Tell Brother Baron we will be sober men!”



Laconia, N.H. Oct 11 1901

My Dear Miss Bickford

Your favor of the 10th inst. is at hand and noted. As stated by Telephone price for Six men Oct 23 is \$24 and expenses. We shall go by team, and return after the Dinner is over, providing the weather is suitable; that is, not too stormy. Should there be a bad storm we would have to stay over until morning.

You need have no fear but what you will have a good orchestra and no Drunkards, as I draw the line on drink and will not allow it in my orchestra. Tell Brother Baron we will be sober men.

Write me a synopsis [synopsis] of the program, that is the Literary part; and we will be on hand to do our part.

Awaiting your favor I remain
Yours Respectfully
Charles St. Clair

For more information on the history of the town, please visit the New Hampton Historical Society website at <https://www.newhamptonhistory.org/>

Kent Bicknell
Historian, NHHS
Curator of Special Collections
The Gordon-Nash Library at New Hampton School
February 16, 2021

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