



The Monthly Hilltopper News & Happenings

MEMORIAL DAY MONDAY MAY 30, 2022 SOMERSWORTH, N.H.

The City of Somersworth through its Veterans Organizations will celebrate Memorial Day on **Monday May 30, 2022.**

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Will be held at each cemetery as follows:

9:10 a.m. Forest Glade Cemetery

9:30 a.m. Greek Orthodox Cemetery

9:45 a.m. Mt Calvary Cemetery

10:15 a.m. Holy Trinity Cemetery

10:40 a.m. Tri City Christian Cemetery

Participants should be at the High School Memorial at 8:40 a.m.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Will form at the American Legion parking lot at 11:00 a.m.

Step off will be at 11:30 sharp.

Somersworth High School Marching Band

Brief ceremonies will be held at Veterans Memorial at Stein Park and at the Somersworth – Berwick Bridge

Veterans needing a ride in the parade or for questions call

Post 69, at (603) 692-9898



City of Somersworth

One Government Way
Somersworth, NH 03878

City Hall Hours

***Monday - Friday**

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

***Wednesday**

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



Don't Forget! City Hall's Dropbox is located outside City Hall entrance on Government Way. Dropbox may be used at any time for submitting property tax or utility payments or other drop off business. It is available and secure 24/7. If you have question please call the City Clerk's office at 692-9511 or 692-9512.

City Council Meetings

Monday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 20 at 7:00 p.m.

City Manager's Report for the City Council Meetings available [here](#)



**Missed the Meeting?
Catch it again
Online**

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council,

School Board, Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting on Channel 22, you can catch them again, online and demand

Simply **watch Somersworth** to begin watching meetings on demand.



Save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online. Online vehicle registration is easy, safe and secure!

For your convenience, you can pay motor vehicle registration by credit cards. For more information on E-registration process click [here](#)

Board & Committee Meetings this Month

**Site Review Technical
Committee (SRTC) [view agenda](#)**

Wednesday, June 1 at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 9 at 1:00 p.m.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment
[view agenda](#)**

Wednesday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Conservation Commission [view agenda](#)

Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m.

School Board Meeting [view agenda](#)

Tuesday, June 14 at 700 p.m.

Planning Board [view agenda](#)

Wednesday, June 15 at 6:30 p.m.

**Historic District Commission
[view agenda](#)**

Wednesday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m.



The Mayor's Corner

Response to the Commissioner

The protector and advancement of our Republic lies within our public school system. It is the great equalizer where the values of our democracy as outlined within our Declaration of Independence and Constitution are not only promoted, but installed upon the next generation who will carry the torch towards our nation's fulfillment of its creed that all are created equal **“that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness”**

United States Declaration of Independence

Each morning when the students arrive, they are entering a place of hope; hope to receive the support to achieve their dreams, hope to be honored and celebrated for who they are. The hope of our nation is embedded in the teachings and in the understanding of our successes and failures as a society. Through understanding we continue to inch forward in achieving our universal dreams of becoming a nation where all are protected, valued, and celebrated.

The recent troubling guest commentary by the Commissioner of Education Frank Edelblut not only contradicts the goal of our public school system but is an attack upon the foundational pillars of our nation and the advancement of equality. However, I am not surprised by the rhetoric outlined within his commentary, for it matches his actions and goals throughout his tenure, the dismantling of the institution which has ensured the equality and advancement of our state and nation since its founding, our public school system. The commissioner utilized the same scare tactics and diatribe which has justified the practices of inequality throughout the history of our young nation. As Edelblut himself stated “Fortunately, parents can choose to turn off Disney”. The commissioner’s goal as outlined would not stop at a simple action of a choice of what television program to turn off. The goal would be to return to the days when it was common practice throughout our nation to choose who we valued as citizens, who was invited to the banquet of liberty



EMS Week

During the month of May we take time to thank the brave men and women who serve our community as EMS officers. Each year through the Mayor's office I have the honor of recognizing our EMS local professionals by proclaiming a week in their honor. In 1973, President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week to celebrate all the EMS professionals and the role they play in protecting our communities. Here in the Hilltop City we continue to be blessed and served by the members of Stewart's Ambulance, who are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need twenty four hours a day, seven days a week.

Each year over 36 million people received treatment from EMS providers, our 10 square mile community is grateful for the contributions of Stewart's Ambulance in keeping each Hilltopper safe at some of their most critical moments.

Throughout EMS week, we say thank you to the members of the Stewart's Ambulance team, for your unweaving dedication to the Hilltop City and your commitment to continue your lifesaving practices. In honor of Stewart's Ambulance dedication, I have proclaimed May 16 -23rd as Stewart's Ambulance week in the City of Somersworth.



Law Enforcement Memorial Week 2022

In times of crisis, you are there. In times of desperation, you are there
In times of emergency, you are there. You offer hope. You are the reflection of order, stability, justice, democracy, and peace. When others are running away, you are running to. You answer each call with commitment, determination, and valor, unaware of when you arrive what will meet you. Unaware if this call might be your last. Yet, with the oath that represents the badge you wear, you carry forward. Forward to serve the people, the community, the state and nation you love.

Each May we take time to pause, take time to reflect, take time to say thank you. Thank you to the men and women who have dedicated their lives and careers so that the hopes and dreams of others may be achieved. Each May we gather, gather to honor those whom are part of the brother and sisterhood of law enforcement who still stand amongst us, and those who are with us today in spirit after answering their final call.

A grateful Hilltop City says thank you. Thank you for each and every day that you recommit yourself to the values of your profession. Those values of neighbor helping neighbor, the values of putting others before oneself and the values of life, liberty and justice for all.

A grateful Hilltop City remembers, remembers our departed brother Donald Kowalski who left us on September 4, 1979 at the young age of 24. Officer Kowalski, you will forever be remembered by our great city and your dedication to protecting its "Proud Past" while ensuring its "Bright Future".

It is with the same unwavering commitment that each member of our Somersworth Department exhibits each day as they carry forth on their mission to "Serve and Protect" that I stand with you. Know that the

Mayor's Office, City Manager, City Council and all members of our community stand by you with pride each day as you continue to keep the home we love and all citizens safe.

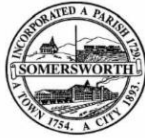
May the guiding hand of the supreme chief, God, protect you each day as you fulfill your mission. May those who have departed us forever be honored through your actions of ensuring freedom, liberty and justice for all. As a community let us continue, officers and citizens, to continue to bring our City motto to life each day, "Proud Past", "Bright Future".

The rose and shield flag proudly waves at Citizens Places in honor of our brave and dedicated Hilltopper law enforcement officers.

For Somersworth we are "On the Move"! and our "Future is Now"
" We are a Community" " We are Achieving Progress and Greatness" "Let our Journey Continue" as we Venture Forward United as Hilltoppers!

WE ARE SOMERSWORTH!

Mayor Dana S. Hilliard



City Election “Paid” Volunteers Needed

- Supervisors of the Checklist **

Supervisors meet twice before each election for 1/2 hour to review new voter registrations and are present to register new voters on election day.

**** This is our most pressing need.**

Also, recruiting for:

- Election Moderators
 - Ward Clerks
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- We will provide training
 - Generous stipend
 - Lunch provided



Please Contact the City Clerk's office for more information

City Clerk Jonathan Slaven jslaven@somersworth.com

Deputy City Clerk Ammy Ramsey aramsey@somersworth.com

(603) 692-9511 or (603) 692-9512



Driver Shortage Forces COAST to Modify and Suspend Routes

Due to an acute shortage of CDL-qualified operators, COAST regrettably has announced that they must suspend Saturday service on all fixed routes, ADA paratransit, and other demand response services, and must reduce the weekday frequency of service on Routes 40/43 (Portsmouth/Newington) and Routes 1/33 (Dover/Somersworth/Berwick). Saturday Route 7 On Demand service will shift to Tuesdays for the time being.

These changes take effect beginning Saturday, May 21.

“We sincerely apologize for this inconvenience and want to reassure everyone that we are doing everything in our power to resolve the situation,” remarked Rad Nichols, COAST Executive Director. Nichols added, “Like many of the other businesses and nonprofits in our communities, COAST’s ability to fulfill our mission is being impacted by economy wide staffing shortages. We are intently focused on regaining control of this situation as quickly as possible so that we can fulfill our promise to the communities, businesses, non-profits, and people we serve. We appreciate the region’s patience and loyalty.”

COAST is encouraging anyone with a CDL-license that wants to work for an employer that is focused on serving the community and providing an essential service, to please visit their website to learn more about the driving opportunities that are currently available and to apply.

Nichols emphasized, "COAST has always recognized that our staff is at the heart of what we do. We have worked tirelessly over the years to build a reputation as a positive, professional, and team-oriented place to work and we offer competitive compensation that includes a generous and diverse benefits package. Our staff come to work every day knowing they are serving their community and helping the Greater Seacoast to be a better place to live and work."

For a full listing of the upcoming service suspensions, please visit <https://coastbus.org/upcomingservicechanges>.



**Celebration Night (kickoff to the
Somersworth International Children's
Festival) - June 17**

6 p.m. until dark, Somersworth High School Entertainment featuring Wayne from Maine and Bad Breath Microphone! Great food, kids' activities, roaming railroad, blow up rides, and more! Great fireworks display!

Festival - June 18

Main Street (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Noble Pines Park (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
Three Stages: Main Stage and World Cultures Stage downtown and Children's Stage at the Noble Pines Park.

There will be many activities for the kids, plus food and craft vendors, World Cultures Passport Center, kids' play area, blow up rides, Wildlife Encounters, skateboard demos, roaming railroad, and more!

Summer Children's Concert Series

This summer we will be bringing back our great entertainment for the kids! Concerts will take place at our Pavilion at the Somersworth High School football field. Concerts start at 6 p.m. and will be on 5 consecutive

Wednesdays from July 13 through August 10 . Food will be available for purchase.



SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION NEWS

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST IN SESSION, MAY 31, 2022

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, from 7 to 7:30 p.m., at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 1 Government Way

During this session, supervisors will register new voters, change party affiliation, addresses and names, and make other necessary corrections to the checklist. This is also the last opportunity for voters to change party affiliation before the state primary election to be held Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2022.

DEADLINE TO CHANGE PARTY AFFILIATION IS MAY 31, 2022

The last day a registered voter can change their party affiliation before Sept. 13, 2022 state primary is May 31, 2022. Per state law, voters may not change their party affiliation 90 days before a primary.

Voters domiciled in Somersworth may change their party affiliation at the City Clerk's Office, or at any scheduled meeting of the supervisors of the checklist except for during the period of time between the first day of the filing period for the primary election and the date of the primary election itself.

CHECK PARTY AFFILIATION STATUS

Voters who have provided their date of birth on a voter registration form may go to the Secretary of State's [Registered Voter web link](#) to check their political party affiliation status. The person must enter their first name, last name, town or city, date of birth, and complete the security entry. If the name, town or city, and date of birth are the same as what was provided in their voter registration form, their name, voter ID, and party affiliation, if any, will be displayed.

CANDIDATE FILING PERIOD

The filing period for candidates seeking elected office in 2022 is from June 1 to 10, 2022. Find information about running for office at the Secretary of State's [Running for Office](#) page.

What's Happening at Somersworth Library

Hello Everyone,



Bigger People Activities

Wednesday, June 1 at 5:30, make an air terrarium with Dina, from The Gathering Place. Registration is required, but if you miss this one, they'll be others in July and August.

Every Tuesday from 11:00am - 2:00pm, Eli from Health Market

Connect, a nonprofit funded by the Affordable Care Act, is here to inform you of health insurance options and assist your enrollment. Have questions? Concerned about your eligibility? He will help.

Tuesday, June 14 at 5:30, **Dr. Joshua Tepley of Saint Anselm College** will lead a book discussion on *How Long 'Til Black Future Month*, by N.K. Jemisin. Sponsored by NH Humanities, join us and you're gifted your own copy.

Friday, June 17 at 2:00pm we'll talk about *The Bride*, by **Julia Elliott**. Taking place in a medieval priory, there is much open to interpretation. This story was included in *Best American Short Stories 2015*. Copies are available at the library or find it here

https://andonovicmilica.files.wordpress.com/2018/10/best_american_short_stories.pdf, page 46.

Wednesday, June 29 at 5:30pm, NH Fish & Game will talk about bears. Where are they? How many are there? What are their habits? Learn about this magnificent beast and the story of their comeback with the people charged to protect them.

We always have cards, games and coloring available. Cornhole skills getting rusty? Ask and we'll set it up outside. Need a place for your poker game, Dungeons & Dragons meetup or knitting crew? You are welcome here.

Littler People Activities

Come use the art cart in the children's room to create a masterpiece. Need inspiration? Check call number area 745 for craft books in the children's or adult collections.

Family story time with our children's librarian extraordinaire, Mary, starts up again in mid-June, Tuesdays at 10:30. Check back for the exact date.

Saturday, June 18, Mary will be at the Somersworth International Children's Festival. Sign up for a library card, relax and read a picture book, create a bookmark and enter raffles.

Thursday, June 23 kicks off the Summer Reading Program with Lindsay and Her Puppet Pals. Sign up for the thirty-minute show at 10:00 or 11:00. Open to preschoolers through high-school age, track the books you read, earn prizes and enter raffles through August.

Saturday, June 25 at 11:00, participate in Lego Engineers. Create, build, problem-solve and make a masterpiece. Registration required.

More detail on these programs is available at <https://www.somersworth.com/somersworth-public-library/pages/library-services-programs>.

Come in and stay a while!

Somersworth Police Department



In Remembrance of Patrolman Donald Kowalski

In 1962, President Kennedy declared Peace Officers Memorial Day May 15th of each year. This year, and every year, we remember our police fallen heroes. Donald Kowalski was a patrolman with the Somersworth Police Department when he was killed in the line of duty on September 4, 1979. Officer Kowalski died in a vehicle crash. He had positioned his cruiser in a roadblock when it was struck by a suspect driving a stolen vehicle. He was 25 years old

and had only been on the force for 4 months. Rest in Peace Officer Kowalski and we will always remember your ultimate sacrifice.



Lt. Gary O'Brien and K9 Officer Colton Deschenes attended police week in Washington DC representing our agency and our City. In the picture below, they are standing at the National Law Enforcement Memorial in front of the wall panel that has Donald Kowalski's name engraved upon it.



Officer Mike Sloane and Sgt. Tony McKnight attended the 30th Annual New Hampshire Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony on May 20th in Concord. Officer Sloane placed a red flower in the wreath for Officer Kowalski.



Welcome Aboard Officer Korin Kelley

The newest member of our Department, Korin Kelley, was sworn in by Chief McLin on Monday 5/16/22 and her proud mother pinned her badge on her. She will be in field training with an experienced officer until she

goes to the Police Academy in August. Good luck Korin.

Congratulations to Detective Sergeant DeFrancesco!

Detective Anthony DeFrancesco was promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant effective 5/8/22 and was sworn in by Chief McLin on 5/16/22.

Somersworth Strong Summit

Chief McLin has been involved in the Hilltop Mental Health and Wellness Commission. The Commission will be hosting a Somersworth Strong Summit on June 29th from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the American Legion Post 69, 45 Washington Street. Dinner will be provided and child care is available. This is a chance for discussion and community building about finding resources and help in mental health, wellness and recovery. Please register for this summit at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SomersworthStrong>

Save the Date!



National Night Out 2022 will be held on Tuesday, August 2 from 4:30 pm until 6:30 pm at Jules Bisson Park. **National Night Out** is a community event that promotes police-community building partnerships that is being held throughout many communities in the United States. It enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. There will be family activities, food and prizes.



Summer Pet Safety

It takes only minutes for a pet left in a vehicle on a warm day to succumb to heatstroke and suffocation. Most people don't realize how hot it can get in a parked car on a balmy day. However, on a 78 degree day, temperatures in a car parked in the shade can exceed 90 degrees -- and hit a scorching 160 degrees if parked in the sun!

Even when the outside air temperature is in the 60's, temperatures inside some vehicles can reach the danger zone on bright, sunny days. So many experts recommend not leaving pets or children in parked cars even for short periods if the temperature is in the 60's or higher.

Rolling down a window or parking in the shade doesn't guarantee protection either, since temperatures can still climb into the danger zone. And if the window is rolled down sufficiently, the pet can escape.

Animals are not able to sweat like humans do. Dogs cool themselves by panting and by sweating through their paws. If they have only overheated air to breathe, animals can collapse, suffer brain damage and possibly die of heatstroke. Just 15 minutes can be enough for an animal's body temperature to climb from a normal 102.5 to deadly levels that will damage the nervous and cardiovascular systems, often leaving the animal comatose, dehydrated and at risk of permanent impairment or death.

Leave your dog at home on warm days.



We send out **Nixle Alerts** for parking bans and other important information to cell phones and emails. You can sign up for *free* Nixle at www.Nixle.com.



Somersworth Police Facebook Page

Check out Somersworth Police Department's Facebook page. We use it to let you know about important community information including crime information, road closures, snow emergencies/ parking bans, and community events. Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/SomersworthPoliceDepartment/>



Somersworth Crime Line: You can leave crime tips or anonymous information at 603-692-9111

Somersworth Fire Department

Somersworth Fire Department & Emergency Management

A safety message from the Fire Chief's Office

Learning from the Recent Past

A Safety Message from the Fire Chief's Office

Spanish philosopher George Santayana famously said that "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it". In the interest of not repeating the past, this month's column offers a few safety lessons based on recent events.

Electrical Outlets: Across the nation, hundreds of people are killed every year due to electrical fires in their homes. In fact, electrical fires are one of the leading causes of death for people over the age of 65. To prevent electrical fires, do not overload outlets. Plug anything that requires a large draw of current directly into an outlet - not a power strip or extension cord. Charge battery powered items such as laptops or cellphones on a hard, noncombustible surface - not a bed, couch, or pillow. Instances of charging mobile devices on soft, combustible surfaces have been the possible cause of building fires.

Dig Safe: Staying with theme of electricity, a two-person crew in a neighboring state was recently shocked while paving a residential driveway when the power equipment they were using touched live electrical wires. Both workers received burns. In a similar way, people digging in their yard are shocked or electrocuted when contacting buried electrical lines. When using power equipment, ladders, or cutting trees, stay well clear of any overhead electrical wires. If planning to dig with any possibility of buried electrical lines or other utilities, contact dig safe before starting the excavation.

Storms: Lightning is one of the top storm-related killers in the United States. According to the National Weather Service, about 20 Americans die every year from lightning with hundreds more being injured. Fishing is the most common activity for those struck by lightning. If you are out on the water with an approaching storm, head for the shore as quickly as possible and seek shelter. Have a healthy respect for the distance that lightning can travel as the proverbial "bolt out of the blue" can occur miles from the storm's center.

Households Chemicals: Improperly mixing household chemicals can create deadly fumes or start a fire. Recently, a homeowner in a neighboring state mixed Simple Green and Clorox Bleach and was overcome by the resulting fumes requiring transport to a hospital. A second incident occurred when someone accidentally combined towels covered in acetone and bleach. The reaction of these two chemicals caused a fire. Only use chemical products in accordance with the manufactures instructions and use extreme caution to not mix different chemicals when disposing of unused or waste products.

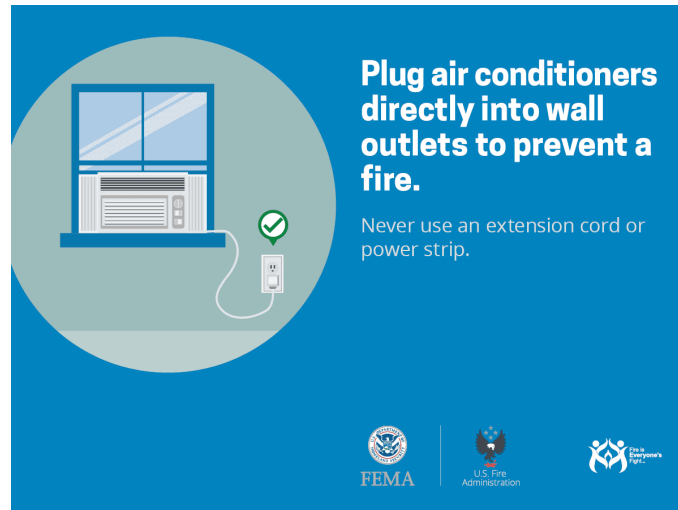
Please see the following safety messages and pictures of recent SFD activities. Feel free to call the Fire Station regarding questions about any emergency

management, fire prevention, or life safety topic.

Please stay safe, be careful, and look out for each other.

Yours in service,

George Kramlinger, Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director





Lightning Safety



Safety Tips

- ⚡ NO PLACE outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area!!
- ⚡ If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike you
- ⚡ When you hear thunder, immediately move to safe shelter
 - A substantial building with electricity or plumbing
 - An enclosed, metal-topped vehicle with windows up
- ⚡ Stay in safe shelter at least 30 minutes after you hear the last sound of thunder

Myth: If it's not raining or there aren't clouds overhead, you're safe from lightning

Fact: Lightning often strikes more than three miles from the center of the thunderstorm, far outside the rain or thunderstorm cloud. "Bolts from the blue" can strike 10-15 miles from the thunderstorm

NWS Miami



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Department of Public Works & Utilities

Rocky Hill Road Culvert Replacement to Occur Mid-Summer

City Council awarded a contract to Wickson Construction to replace a culvert located on Rocky Hill Road, close to the intersection with Winter Street and Maple Street. The project also involves replacing an old failing corrugated metal culvert and a segment of water and sewer lines in the vicinity of the culvert. The project will involve a temporary road closure from first week in July through the beginning of October in this area. Look for further details on the road closure and detour plans in June.

Metal Pick-up: 2nd Tuesday of each Month

When - next Curbside Collection: Tuesday, June 14th

How: Call Public Works **no later than 3:00 pm on Monday, June 13th**, place curbside with the proper number of Bulky Waste Stickers on each item. Typical TV's require three (3) stickers - \$12.00 and PC's require one (1) sticker - \$4.00.

Residents may also opt to drop off metal and electronic items with proper bulky waste stickers at the Public Works Facility located at 18 Lilac Lane from 7:30 am-2:30 pm Monday –Friday. *Note that weather emergencies may delay collection.*

Curbside MSW/Household Garbage & Recycling Collection

City trash bags and recycling containers must be at the curbside no later than 7:00

am & no sooner than the evening before your designated collection day. As a reminder – Trash and Recycling Collection for the week of July 4th will be delayed one day for Independence Day. Monday, July 4th collection will take place on Tuesday, July 5th, Tuesday collection will take place on Wednesday, July 6th and Wednesday collection will take place on Thursday, July 7th.

Malley Farm Facility

Malley Farm is now open for disposal of brush and leaves, Monday – Friday 7:30am – 2:30pm and Saturday and Sunday 8:00am-6:00pm. **Please note: Any Contractor serving a Somersworth residence with leaves and brush hauling, will need to obtain a permit from Public Works to dump at Malley Farm. Root balls and wood larger than 5” in diameter and 10’ in length are not permitted. Please call the Public Works Department at 603-692-4266 for further information.**



**RAKE IT,
LEAVE IT OR
REMOVE IT**

*What to do with
your leaves, grass
clippings and yard
waste?*

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

You Choose - *your leaves and grass clippings can be a valuable resource OR a source of water pollution.*

AS A RESOURCE	AS A SOURCE OF POLLUTION
Mulched leaves or grass clippings on your lawn add valuable nutrients and organic matter.	Decaying leaves and grass kill critters in streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, and wetlands.
Composting leaves and grass clippings saves money.	Yard waste dumped near waterbodies and wetlands contributes to stream algae and odors.

Yard waste and grass clippings can be disposed of at the Malley Farm Facility, at Malley Farm Road

Use Care when Putting Recycling out on Windy Days

Windy days can quickly take recycling items on the street for weekly pickup and blow them around. Per city ordinance, residents are responsible for removing any remaining debris within 24 hours of trash and recycling collection. Community Services urges City residents to use extra caution when putting out recycling items on windy days to help keep Somersworth beautiful.

Here are a few tips to consider when putting items out on the street.

- **Don't put items out too early.** During windy weather, consider waiting to put out bins on the morning of pickup instead of the night before.
- **Don't overfill.** When items are overflowing from the bin, it's easier for the wind to catch them and blow things onto the street.
- **Place heavier items on top.** Putting lighter things at the bottom and placing heavier items on top will help keep items more secure in the bins when it becomes windy.

Recreation Office News & Updates



On Tuesday, May 24th the Boston Bruins and Mass Brigham General sponsored a free street hockey clinic for kids ages 5-12 at Jules Bisson Park. It was an amazing evening and the kids had so much fun learning new skills and hanging out with Blades the Bruins mascot and all the wonderful coaches that came out. Big thank you to the Boston Bruins & Mass Brigham General for coming to Somersworth to host the clinic and for the generous donation of the street hockey equipment! What an awesome night with the community!!!





2022

SOMERSWORTH RECREATION KIDS CAMP



REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 15TH RESIDENTS/ APRIL 15 NON-RESIDENTS



Children going into grades 1-5
Monday-Friday; 8:30-4:00 pm
Noble Pines Park



Session 1: June 27- July 22

Session 2: July 25- August 19



Join Somersworth Recreation for this exciting 8-week summer camp filled with tons of fun! This outdoor camp is designed to keep kids active while having fun under the sun with friends. Activities include sports, arts & crafts, field games, special events, and so much more! Our goal is to once again offer 1-2 field trips per week. Field trips are TBD and will be a mix of local walking trips and bus field trips to a NH State Park or local park. ALL field trips will be subject to change and/or cancelation throughout the program.

CAMP OPTIONS:

Full 8-Weeks

Register & pay in full by April 29th

\$800- Residents only

****Non-refundable**

4-Weeks (Session 1 or 2)

Register & pay Session 1 in full by May 27th

\$100 non-refundable deposit required to hold spot

\$450- Residents/ \$600 Non-Residents

Weekly Rate

Register by May 27th. \$100 non-refundable deposit required at time of registration to hold spot.

\$150- Residents/ \$200 Non-Residents

Extended Care

Open to residents & non-residents

Before Care hours: 7:00-8:30 am

After Care hours: 4:00-5:30 pm

\$150 per session / \$50 per week



TO REGISTER:

Space is limited and will be first come, first serve. Registration deadline is May 27th!

Please call to ensure space is available prior to mailing in forms or stopping by the Rec Office. We accept cash or checks only. Registration packets are located in the Rec Office at City Hall or on our website below. Please review the Parent/Guardian Handbook for more info. Contact the Rec Office with any questions 603 692-9507. **Please make checks payable to: City of Somersworth**

Register by mail: Mail registration form & check to 1 Government Way Somersworth, NH 03878

Register in person: Cash or checks only. Rec office is 2nd floor of City Hall.

WWW.SOMERSWORTH.COM/PARKS-RECREATION/PAGES/SUMMER-CAMP

We have a few spots left for Kids Camp. Space is limited and on a first come basis. Contact the Recreation Office at 603 692-9507 for availability.



All Parks are Open for the Season

Take advantage of the nice weather and the walking trails at Mast Point Dam and Willand Pond. The Dog Park is open and waiting for your furry friends.

For more info on our parks visit our
website: <https://www.somersworth.com/parks-recreation/pages/city-parks>

Granite State Track Program is underway. Participants are having fun learning basic fundamentals of running, throwing, and jumping. The Regional Meet is scheduled for June. Any qualifiers will be invited to participate in the State Meet on June.



Millennium Park



Did you know you can rent out Millennium Park for a special event? Check out the link at <https://www.somersworth.com/parks-recreation/pages/millennium-park-reservations> or call the Recreation Office at (603) 692-9507 for availability and more information.



What's Happening at Somersworth Farm to School



6th grade teachers and Hug a Tree Co-Advisors John Dinger and Gemma Schena



SMS Hug a Tree Sustainability Club getting ready to plant at the Somersworth Community Gardens.

L to R-- Ivy Curran, Hunter Eliot, Isabella Boucher, Avelle Rose, Natalia Wright, Carter Akerman

Community Building Through Farm to School

Connecting to our community has been a mission of Somersworth Farm to School since its early days in 2016. The pandemic surely isolated us all, and sidelined Farm to School completely during remote schooling and beyond. But good things come to those who wait, and Somersworth schools' current administration has thrown full support behind Farm to School initiatives and programming. Because of this, community connections to our schools are bearing fruit at a steady clip this spring.

Our Grade 3-5 Maple Wood Elementary students are reaping the benefits of the Seacoast Area Mobile Market(SAMM) Van's newly offered educational outreach programs. SAMM Education Coordinator Celeste Gingras visits predominantly elementary level schools to educate on farming, nutrition, soil health, and even delves into the indigenous peoples of our area– the Abenaki, the Penacook, and the Wabanaki. Though we've linked SAMM's programming to elementary health and PE curriculum, its tendrils reach many disciplines in our students' academic life.

Does Somersworth have community gardens? The answer is yes! Located down Malley Farm Road just past the ball fields and before the leaf and brush drop-off entrance, these plots are available to "lease" **for free** to any Somersworth resident. Most are 10'x10', with some exceptions. This is an exciting year at the Somersworth Community Gardens, as Home Depot donated time, labor, tools, and an entire tool shed to expand and increase the number of plots. Given the waitlist last year, this is a welcome addition. Also exciting is the introduction of students to the Community Gardens to use as an "expanded campus." Students from Somersworth Middle School started two of the 10'x10' plots. These will be continued and maintained by the Somersworth Youth Connection summer camp program, the Somersworth Recreation Dept. summer camp program, and a handful of educators and their students who wish to use this space within their curriculum in the fall and

beyond.

Information on reserving your own Community Garden plot is available through Keri Gordon at the Somersworth DPW kgordon@somersworth.com. If you want to keep tabs on Somersworth Farm to School, we can be found on Instagram [@farmtosomersworthschools](https://www.instagram.com/farmtosomersworthschools). Have a happy, adventurous, and safe summer.

City of Somersworth Employment Opportunities



POLICE

Position Title: Patrol Officer

Starting Pay: \$49,524 - \$66,518

Closing Date: Somersworth Police Department Job Opportunities

Finalist must complete pre-employment screening to include: physical, drug test
&

background check. Detailed postings available online at:
<https://www.somersworth.com/human-resources/page/employment-opportunities>

A completed City of Somersworth Employment Application is
required for all job openings.

For more information please call Linda Corriveau at (603) 692-9529 or email
Linda

City of Somersworth, New Hampshire



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the Juneteenth Holiday.**

**City Hall will Open on Tuesday, June 21
at 8:00am.**



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