

THE ARROWSIC ARROW

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RECYCLING ISSUE

APRIL, 1989

Dear Reader,

This issue of the Arrow is primarily concerned with Solid Waste. Most of us are tired of hearing about it, and it is not going to go away. Please take a few minutes to read the enclosed survey and return to the Recycling Committee. This information is essential to us in putting together strategies to handle Arrowsic's and the region's solid waste responsibilities- financial and ecological. We'll even refund your postage if you like.

Announcements/Meetings/Etc

On Saturday, April 15 the recycling committee will sponsor a **curbside pickup of recyclables**. (Rain date will be Sunday, the 16) This includes glass- rinsed, without lids, and separated by color in bags or boxes; cardboard; newspapers (Bagged in grocery bags- no string please), and mixed paper. We will make the rounds from 9-11 AM. This is the first of three monthly pickups to see what kind of response there is to the idea. We'll let you know the results. If anyone would like to help, call Jeff Mann 443-6174

The Arrowsic School Committee awards a \$500 scholarship each year to a deserving Senior who plans to continue his or her education beyond high school. We would be interested in hearing from any interested Seniors. Please send a high school transcript and a letter indicating extra-curricular activities to:

Alice Sperling, Chairman ;
Arrowsic School Committee ; SR2 ;
Arrowsic, Me. 04530

Notification of the award is sometime near town meeting time. If there is competition for the scholarship, need will also be taken into account.

There will be an informational meeting/public hearing about the upcoming "911" emergency system. Speakers will include Max Dawson, Chief of Police in Bath and Ron Clark, Fire Chief in Bath. The meeting will be held at the Town Hall Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 pm. Call Tony Carey for more information.

The old Fire Barn doors are available for sale to the highest bidder- contact Chief Tony Carey 443-6254, or Ass't Chief Ray Hutton 442-7187 for more info.

The Comprehensive Plan was accepted at the Special Town Meeting on March 30 with the exception of implementation strategy #2 under Housing and Land Use which states that Town Zoning should be revised to create a zone for higher density single and multi-family housing and for mobile home parks. This ammendment passed by a narrow margin 20-21. Ordinance changes as a result of the plan to come in June. The Moderator and the Planning Board Chair made appeals to people who want to better understand the process, or want to have an impact on the results not to wait until the last minute. **Please take the time to get involved in the PROCESS if you care.** All of the meetings are public... every Monday night. Call Lucy Stinson for more details 443-3954.

THANK YOUS-

The Arrow thanks Jon Biehler, Elizabeth McDaniels, Sandy and David Weiss, and an anonymous contributor for generous donations.

The Whitmore's Landing and Doubling Point residents want to thank Bill Kimball for work on the road, and Bill Kimball and Danny McLean for keeping the snow off Elwell's pond this winter.

The residents of the Bald Head Road want to thank the Road Commission for coming to their rescue during the first thaw a few weeks ago

Further Explanation

I understand I stirred up some excitement talking about computers in the last issue. THE SELECTMEN ARE NOT BUYING A COMPUTER. As part of the revaluation, Mike Austin will be computerizing our data, and it will be available to us (this is what I meant by "a working software system"). We will not BUY a computer (in other words, "the hardware") without more research, and coming to the town with recommendations.

The "**Quill to the Arrow**" is put out by Prudy Foster, "**The Arrow**" is a donation funded publication edited by Patty Olds 443-4650. Any information you would like published may be sent c/o THE ARROW, Arrowsic, Maine 04530. Please include a phone number.

The following people
 have auto registrations
 due in these months.
Nancy Brown Stump
 Tax Collector 442-7527

APRIL 1989

- ARSENAULT, DAVID
- ARSENAULT, GALE A
- BURKE, JOANNE S
- CAREY, ANTONIO
- CARLTON, HOWARD
- DAVIS, SHELDON
- DIBERT, PATRICIA
- ELWELL, RONALD E
- EWING, JOSEPHINE W
- FOSTER, PRUDENCE E
- JOHNSON, CHLOE W
- JONES, JUDITH
- KAHRL, FRED J
- LAWRENCE, FRANK E JR
- MCDONALD, FRANKLIN SR
- MORRISON, HOWARD
- MORRISON, HOWARD
- MORRISON, HOWARD P
- NEAL, JOHN S
- NEAL, JOHN S
- NELSON, BONNIE R
- NELSON, BONNIE R
- NOYES, WILLIAM
- PARE, KAREN L
- PAULE, SUZANNE E
- PINETTE, ALFRED J
- SCOTT, NANCY J
- SHUFELT, LESLIE A
- SULLIVAN, HOWARD E
- WOOD, JOHN

MAY 1989

- APPEL, JAMES M
- BERTSCHY, ROBERT C
- BRETT, CHRISTOPHER
- BROOKS, DAVID
- BURNHAM, BRETT D
- CATES, RICHARD
- CHAFFEE, JOHN W JR
- COTE, CANDACE
- DAVIS, DIANA L
- DRESSER, ARTHUR E
- ELWELL, RICHARD
- FRAHM, SHIRLEY D
- HOMAN, JANE E
- LAWRENCE, SANDRA L
- MORGAN, MARIA B
- NOYES, JEAN B
- ORR, EDWARD
- ROBBINS, KAREN M
- ROLLINS, ELIZABETH J
- ROLLINS, JOHN F
- SEWALL, ABBIE
- SPENCER, WYLIE
- STINSON, LUCY
- STORIN, KEIKO T
- STUMP, NANCY B
- SWEARINGEN, RICHARD T
- WEISS, DAVID R
- WISEMAN, ELIZABETH M

* LAST MINUTE NEWS*
 Come Celebrate!! On May
 1st the Fiddlers Reach
 Morris Team will do their
 traditional Mayday Dances
 beginning around 6 PM at
 the Town Hall. Call Diane
 for more details 443-4650

SOME FACTS ABOUT SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING

One issue of the Sunday New York Times takes 122,000 trees. One average forest tree consumes 2-3 tons of carbon monoxide per year. Trees have an excellent way of cleaning up the atmosphere.

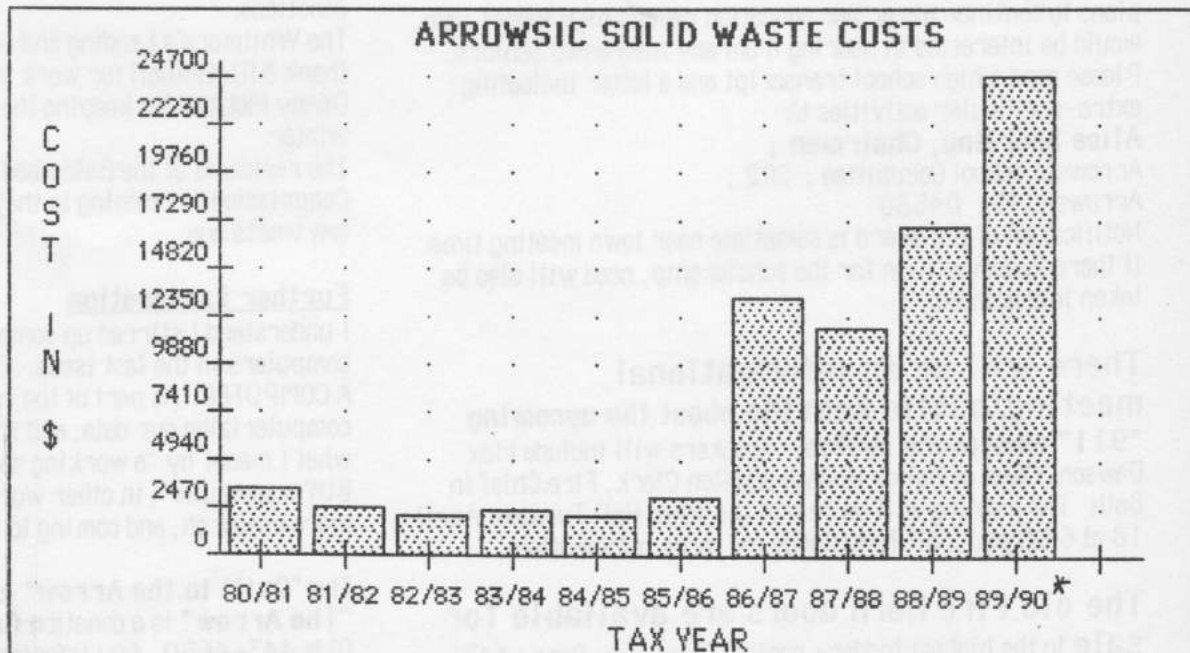
Solid Waste costs are increasing and our natural resources are dwindling. We do not know where our garbage can go from one year to the next. (Worse case scenario in the next couple of years will cost Arrowsic \$130/ton, or \$24,700-not including septage disposal.) The "miracle cure-all waste-to-energy" incinerator schemes are dumping more dangerous pollutants into the air and ground than many of our landfills. Non-biodegradable plastics and toxic household wastes are mixed in with compostable food scraps and yard wastes.

One of the ways we can lessen the environmental and economic impact is to reduce the SOURCE of the waste stream in Arrowsic. Another way is to recycle and compost the remainder. Many studies have proven that we can reduce the volume of stuff going to the dump by 85-90%.

The results of the 1988 Arrowsic Community Survey showed strong support for recycling. 89% of the respondents indicated they would be willing to participate in voluntary recycling.

Based on the Recycling Committee's survey at the Recycling Building, 24% of Arrowsic households are participating in scrap paper recycling, and saving the town 2.8% of the town's solid waste budget.

The Recycling Committee would like to know what the greatest solid waste needs are for Arrowsic, and how to encourage even greater participation. Please answer the enclosed questionnaire adding any comments you'd like, and return it to the town hall by April 20. Thanks



* numbers listed for 89/90 are worse case. Best case is somewhere between 88/89 and 89/90 worse case.