

THE ARROWSIC ARROW

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Dear Reader.

Frank McDonald has retired as our Animal Control Officer. After years of compassionate attention to the problem of Animal Control, Frank has decided to get on with his own life. He accepted the position originally because he, "wanted to help out in town, and other Animal Control Officers were shooting animals," (stray dogs, etc) rather than helping to find where they belonged. He didn't believe in this approach and has been a shining example in his respect for animal rights and his good neighborliness. The selectmen are looking for someone in town to take his place. Frank has mentioned he will help get someone started, and will help out if he's needed. Please consider this an opportunity to pitch in to town government in a unique way.

IN THE MEANTIME... if anyone needs animal control assistance, you can call **David Moore, Animal Control Officer** in Georgetown. His numbers are 371-2654 (Home) and 823-0229 (beeper). Owners of loose dogs may be charged for his time at \$5.00/hour.

IMPORTANT DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR: (all meetings held at the Town Hall)

***Monday, April 20, 7PM:** This may be your LAST CHANCE to say anything about the proposed bridge to be built north of the Carlton bridge across the Kennebec. Review plans are in the town hall. If you can't make it to this meeting, but would like your opinion carried to Augusta, call Jim Coombs 442-7178 or Phine Ewing 443-9795 before April 23.

***Wednesday, April 22** is Earth Day!!! Plant a tree, pick up some trash, kiss a flower.

***Saturday, April 25 9:30AM** Earth Day Field Day at the Sewall Pond Conservation Area- Old Stage Road. Everyone welcome (especially parents and kids) Find birds, identify plants, see salamanders, learn about trees, and help clean up winter damage. Juice, cookies will be provided- sponsored by the Conservation Commission. These are our woods. The pond is there for our enjoyment all year round- come help give a little something back

***Thursday, April 30 at 6:30PM:** the Fiddler's Reach Morris Team will dance their annual Spring Dances at the town hall, then move on to the field in front of the Bertocci's (on Doubling Point Road) at 7:00. Cancelled only in the event of Torrential Downpour.

***Saturday, May 2 10AM- 2PM:** Children's Used Clothing Swap and Trade Day at the Town Hall. Bring in clean, outgrown, useable children's clothing for donation or trade. No money involved- if you bring in 10 items, you can take 10 items of comparable value home. All leftovers will be donated to charity. Clothing may be dropped off for credit on Friday, May 1 between 4 and 5 PM or other arrangements may be made by calling Sandi Burnham 442-8948 early evenings. Outright donations gladly accepted! Sponsored by the Recycling Committee.

***Monday, May 11, 6PM:** Town Officials budget meeting, to discuss the upcoming fiscal year, and prepare the warrant for this year's town meeting. Public welcome.

***Monday, May 18, 7PM:** Public Hearing to discuss changes to Arrowsic's Shoreland and Zoning Ordinances (see details in separate article)

***Monday, May 25, 6:30PM:** A public hearing to discuss an ordinance regulating the discharge of firearms in Arrowsic. An article will appear on the warrant at town meeting in response to a citizen's initiative.

***Tuesday, June 9, 6:30PM:** A public hearing to discuss the school budget. 63% of your tax dollars went to the school department this year, and that number promises to be higher next year. Parents- do you wonder about the quality of education your child is getting? Taxpayers- do you sit at town meeting every year and vote yes to the education articles because you don't believe you have a choice? Do you wish you could understand the language in which the articles are written? Do you have questions, but fear they will add too much time to an already long town meeting? Here is your chance to ask questions of and voice opinions to your school committee and Laura Hickey (superintendent) BEFORE town meeting. Please come and join us for an informative evening.

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE asks that high school seniors interested in the Town scholarship get in touch with them (Alice Sperling 443-3497, Don Hudson 443-9795, or Eloise Vitelli 443-4660)

From the Recycling Committee:

Paul Perkins, Chair

SPRING CLEAN UP will happen again this year. However, because of the high cost of last year's clean up, the following items will not be picked up this year:

leaves and brush, bulky construction debris, and old tires. Other items such as white goods, old furniture, toys, etc. will be accepted. Residents may take their own construction debris and tires to the Bath Landfill.

For information on backyard composting approaches to food waste, contact the recycling committee.

Date of the Cleanup and Roadside Pickup will be announced by flyer in Mid-May.

From the Planning Board:

John Wood, Chair

After months of negotiations, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has approved Arrowsic's Shoreland Zoning provisions, which were enacted by a special town meeting last November. These provisions, which are now in effect, are included in the Town's current Zoning Ordinance, dated November 2, 1991. Copies of the ordinance are available at the Town Hall.

The State will insist on further revisions to Arrowsic's Zoning Ordinance in two areas, however:

- 1) The Town Zoning Ordinance must be updated to include the Shoreland and Resource Protection Districts.
- 2) The building setback from "high or moderate" value wetlands must be increased to a minimum of 150 feet. DEP's guidelines originally called for a setback of 250 feet from these marshes. The town approved setbacks from all marshes of no less than 150 feet in the RRI zone and 100 feet in the RRII zone, depending on the frontage

The Planning Board will propose amendments to meet DEP's requirements at the town meeting in June. A public hearing on these amendments will be held May 18 at 7PM.

"If the Town fails to make the necessary revisions to the ordinance prior to July 1, 1992, the Department will initiate actions through rule-making to do so," Commissioner Dean C. Mariott advised the town in a letter recently.

The public hearing will also consider several proposed amendments to the Subdivision Ordinance, including one which would require Planning Board approval for all revisions to the existing subdivisions.

From the Tax Collector

Nancy Brown Stump 442-7527

"It's the law, you must show proof of insurance." (the State of Maine)

Remember, if you are re-registering a vehicle at the town hall, you must bring your valid insurance identification card for the vehicle you are re-registering.

Please bring in valid proof of insurance. A card indicating that your insurance expired last month or last week will not do. An honest face and explanation that the card is at home in a red file will not do. A confused look and the excuse, "I don't know where that could be, it was here last time I looked," will not do. The explanation that the insurance is in the truck where it is supposed to be and you drove the other car sounds reasonable to me, but according to the state, that will not do. This is not a law I made. This is not a responsibility I requested. I highly value your help...

Without proof of insurance you can still come in and pay the excise tax and get your forms to complete elsewhere (remember the old days?) Just be aware that elsewhere will want to see those insurance cards, too. (I know, they have much more accommodating hours) Remember what Albert Camus once said, "There's always flies and itches."

The following vehicles require re-registration in these months:

APRIL

MAY

BASSETT, DEBORAH M	ANDERSON, DAVID K
BROWN, MICHAEL P	ATER, ROBERT
BROWN STUMP, NANCY	BERTSCHY, JANE
CAREY, ANTONIO	BRETT, CHRISTOPHER
CARLTON, HOWARD	BRETT, JOHN C
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	BROOKS, DAVID
DAVIS, SHELDON K	BURKE, JOANNE S
EWING, JOSEPHINE W	BURNHAM, BRETT D
FOSTER, PRUDENCE E	CAREY, MATTHEW S
GILL, DEBORAH S	CARLTON, ANN
GOFORTH, JANET	COTE, CANDACE
GOWELL, MARY	DRESSER, ARTHUR E
JONES, JUDITH	FRAHM, SHIRLEY D
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	GRILL, MARIA M
KNOWLES, ROBERT L JR	KENNERSON, REBECCA
KOCINCKI, KARYN A	KNOWLES, EUGENIE F
LAWRENCE, RACHEL W	LAWRENCE, SANDRA L
MCDONALD, FRANKLIN SR	NEAL, JOHN S
MORRISON, HOWARD	ORR, EDWARD
MORRISON, HOWARD	PEABODY, JANE E
NELSON, BONNIE R	ROBBINS, KAREN M
OLEARY, ROBERT	ROLLINS, ELIZABETH
PHINNEY, WILHELMINA	ROLLINS, ELIZABETH
SHUFELT, LESLIE A	SPENCER, WYATT
SULLIVAN, HOWARD E	STINSON, LUCY
WARNER, LINDA M	STOEBE, JEFFREY A
WILLOUGHBY, STEPHEN	STORIN, KEIKO T
	STOY, JOHN H
	SULLIVAN, TIMOTHY
	SWEARINGEN, RICHARD
	WEISS, DAVID R
	WISEMAN, ELIZABETH

From the Town Clerk:

Ann Carlton 442-8343

The following dogs need to be licensed.

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| Barney Anderson | *Noble Mosier |
| *Molly Blaiklock | Rascal Mosier |
| *Shauna Burnham | *Brandy Nelson |
| *Inkie Carlton | Sam Phinney |
| Gizmo & Muffin Collier | * ? Pilarski |
| *Phoebe & Toby Drake | Kritter Pinette |
| *Bee Bee Dunn | Tannee Puff |
| *Tippy Elwell | *Marley & Dozer Root |
| Buffy Frahm | Morgan & Ashley Schlein |
| Rugby & Johnny Frye | *Chiquita Scott |
| *Sophie Galuza | *Marley Sewall |
| *Peppy Gates | Bud Simmons |
| *Myshkin Greene | *Bailey Sperling |
| *Cobalt Heath | *Bear Sullivan |
| | *Chimo Tracey |
| *Ben Kahrl | *Minna West |
| Kiesha Kenney | *Bos'n White |
| *Benje MacMahan | *Shane Pinkham |
| *Kermit Markwell | |

There are still a few Maine Moose Applications available at the Town Hall. They have to be sent in by April 30, 1992

*Need to bring in proof of current rabies shot. If any of these dogs are no longer with us, would the owner please let the Town Clerk know. Thank You!