Volume 31, Number 2 Summer 2017



Sunrise over the Sasanoa (Photo: John Wojcieshowski)

Arrowsic Town Meeting June 15, 2017

Arrowsic's Annual Town Meeting proceeded much as planned. 62 residents of the town assembled at the Arrowsic Fire Station at six-thirty in the evening to vote on the following items, to wit:

Elections

- Art. 1. The town elected by ballot, Eloise Vitelli to preside as Moderator (uncontested). There were references to pages 4-6 of the Annual Report, where it was noted that only five town officials (the Moderator, the Clerk, one of the three Selectmen, the Treasurer and the Tax Collector) are *elected* to their position by a vote at the Town Meeting (or a special Town Meeting) and so beholden to the town, whereas the town's seventy appointed officials (see pgs. 5 & 6) are not elected to their position by a vote at Town Meeting or Special Town Meeting, but are *appointed* by the Selectmen.
- Art. 2. The town elected Barbara Boyce to be the FY 2017-2018 Town Clerk (uncontested).
- Art. 3. The town elected Suzannah Heard by ballot, for a three- year term: Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor, Surveyor of Wood, Lumber and Bark, Fence Viewer (uncontested).
- Art. 4. The Town elected Mary McDonald, Treasurer (uncontested) and Elizabeth Rollins, Tax Collector (uncontested).

Art. 5-59 all passed with little discussion:

- Art. 9. The \$14,000 Fire Department request is for two rescue suits.
- Art. 10. The \$46,000 Fire Department request is toward a mini-pumper to replace the aging truck.
- Art. 12. Camille Kauffunger, speaking on behalf of the Arrowsic Education Committee, called out the names of those Arrowsic students who applied for and are to receive the Arrowsic Scholarships. They are Rylie Decato, Henry Briggs and Taylor Shaw. The Town's congratulations went out to these three deserving students and to all other Arrowsician graduates of the class of 2017.
- Art. 15. The town passed an ordinance updating the posting of roads to be in line with changes recommended by the State. As in previous years, Fred Hill and Arrowsic Road Commissioner, Jim Stump also warned the public of the dangerous configuration of the Rte. 127 to Rte. 1 S confluence. Jim Stump has spoken with folks at the Department of Transportation, as has Paul Schlein, and while those at the DOT admit there is a danger there, it is the State's opinion that there are more dangerous traffic configurations that need to be dealt with first and as funding allows. Those arguments did not pacify Stump or Hill, both who urge residents to write, e-mail, and call the DOT and State Legislators Eloise Vitelli and Jeff Pierce, advising them not to delay with regards to finding a remedy to this clear and present danger for anyone traveling south off the island.
- Art. 16. Kate Smith reported on the progress of the Recycling and Solid Waste Committee (see pgs. 72 & 73 of The Annual Report).
- Art. 24. William VanTuinen Assessing Services has been chosen by the Selectmen to serve as Arrowsic's licensed assessor, beginning in July.
- Art. 29. Bob Kalish thanked the town for its continued support of the *Arrowsic Arrow*. He explained that the Town money requested for the *Arrow* is used only to cover the cost of mailing printed copies to those requesting them. For FY 2016-17, the *Arrow* spent \$148.75 of its \$200 disseminating three *Arrows* to as many as fifty citizens. The *Arrow* encourages everyone to participate with articles, ideas, photos and "your prayers" said Bob Kalish.
- Art. 30. The Selectmen noted that in 2016, the Arrowsic Annual Report received a Maine Municipal Association award deeming it "superior" in the tiny towns' category.
- Art. 35. Given \$400 requested for the Conservation Commission and \$62 actually spent, the question arose: where does the unspent amount of what has actually been raised go? Answer: surplus.
- Art. 36. Be aware that there are plans for Clam Camp next year.
- Art. 38. The town was introduced to Arrowsic's new Health Officer, Christine Woodman R.N., who will be offering a CPR class soon. All are urged to attend.
- Art. 59. The 2018 Annual Report will be delivered by June 7, 2018.

It was about 9:00PM when the meeting ended and residents folded their chairs, finished off the cookies and wished their neighbors goodnight.

—submitted by Nancy Brown Stump



Facts, as John Adams said, are stubborn things.... If we don't face them forthrightly, we risk living in worlds of fantasy and fable, subject not to reason, the greatest of gifts, but susceptible to passion, the most dangerous of forces.

—Jon Meacham, New York Times, 8/21/17

From the Select Board

Would you be a good tax collector?

After many years of service to Arrowsic, Liz Rollins has told the Select Board that she will not be seeking reelection next June. Liz has been very dedicated to her job and has served us all with accuracy, courtesy, and wit. In fact, at the end of August, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles came by to do an audit and Liz's impeccable work passed with flying colors.

The Tax Collector is a part-time job that does not require prior experience, though it requires accuracy with numbers, comfort with computers and, equally important, a positive attitude toward working with people and helping them with their registrations and property taxes. Training will be provided.

If you or someone you know would be interested in being the town's tax collector, please contact one of the select board members for more information. Or come to Town Office Hours and see how the whole process works.

Town Revaluation Update

Bill VanTuinen and his team started the process of visiting houses in early August, beginning with residences on Bald Head Road. Information about the revaluation process has been mailed to all residents and is posted on the Town website. Most of the site visits are expected to be completed before the winter sets in. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of the select board members and we will be happy to assist you.

Here's Your Chance to Talk about Arrowsic History by Bill Savedoff

The Patten Free Library holds a series of history talks each fall, one for each of the library's participating towns. Last year Arrowsic was represented by Matt Caras, who spoke about Champlain's circumnavigation of Arrowsic in 1605. The year before, Mike Kreindler presented 'Crossing the Waters of Arrowsic' after researching the history of our Town's crossing to Woolwich.

Please step up and offer a talk on a topic of your choosing, either something you already know about Arrowsic's history or something you'd like to research and share. To volunteer or inquire about this opportunity, call Peter Goodwin, History Room Assistant, at 207-443-5141, ext. 18 (and let me know by sending an email to bill.savedoff@arrowsic.org). As a bonus, the earlier you sign up, the more choice you have over the date of your presentation!



First they came for the Socialists, and I did not speak out—

Because I was not a Socialist.

Then they came for the Trade Unionists, and I did not speak out—

Because I was not a Trade Unionist.

Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out—

Because I was not a Jew.

Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.

—Martin Niemöller (1892–1984)

Hidden Treasure: The Preble Point Cemetery

Just up the hill, off Field Road, eight members of the Preble family are at rest and they have been resting there in the woods for more than 200 years. Once, there may have been a pasture near this carved-out-of-the-land resting place or perhaps a home. But the woods eventually reclaimed the space and left the Prebles to their peace.

In 2009, eight generations after the Preble family lived on Arrowsic and two thousand miles from Maine, a Preble descendant, while sorting through her father's papers, found documents that she thought might link her family to Preble settlers, who were killed by Indians in Maine in 1758. Carolyn Dow-Preble Goble called her cousin, Janice Dow-Preble Stover, who was living in Cundy's Harbor and asked Jan to find what she could about their ancestors, and Jan began researching in the Genealogy Room at the Patten Free Library.

Jan's research led her to the discovery that their family is descended from Jonathan Preble, the father of Ebenezer Preble and his wife Mary, Arrowsic settlers who were killed by Indians in 1758 and buried at Days Ferry. Local historian Peter Goodwin helped her find the vine-covered place off Field Road, where her ancestors have been at rest since before the Revolutionary War.

Once the cemetery had been located, Jan mapped the seven marked graves and created a schematic diagram to document the graves (including one unmarked depression). The fallen stones were raised in place and the all the stones were carefully cleaned. Each epitaph was deciphered and meticulously recorded. (Jan's schematic diagram of the stones and their epitaphs may be found at the Preble Point Cemetery.)

Next, came the arduous task of clearing brush and creating an entrance to the cemetery from the road. On Memorial Day in 2011, the Preble descendants gathered for their first cemetery cleanup and the event has been repeated annually. The workers have built a stone bench in the little graveyard and the trees and vines have receded. Ferns are moving in now, softening the darkness of the woods. And this year, in June, a lone iris (blue flag) bloomed there.

— submitted by Suzanne Gunston & Janice Dow-Preble Stover





(I) The Preble Family Cemetery and (r) The Family Work Crew, Memorial Day 2017 (front: Henry and Finnbahr McMahon, Janice Dow-Preble Stover, Kimberly Becker; back: Tim McMahon, Matt Tallaksen, Shannon Slattery, Andy Stover & Jill McMahon).

The Preble Point Cemetery is one of twenty-six known Arrowsic cemeteries. Most of these cemeteries are on private land, hidden from view, and some may be nearly lost to the natural reforesting of our island. If you would like to highlight one of these cemeteries in a future issue, please contact The Arrow.

2017 Green Crab Trapping

The Arrowsic Shellfish Conservation Committee (ASCC) recently completed its 4th annual Green Crab trapping survey on July 16th. It was a beautiful day on the waters of Arrowsic and the event was well attended. The purpose of this annual trapping is to measure the spread of the green crab on the shoreline of Arrowsic. The green crab is an invasive species from Europe which was first found in the mid-Atlantic states in the 1850s. It was believed to have arrived as part of the ballast used to balance ships on the long journey between the continents. It spread up the coast and arrived in Maine in the 1900s. The green crab is a prolific consumer of many organisms including eelgrass, snails, oysters and clams.

The annual survey began with 12 crab traps set in the morning at various points on both the Sasanoa & Kennebec Rivers. At midafternoon we picked up those traps and brought them back to a common point to be measured, gendered and counted. This year, we had a total of over 800 green crabs and an undetermined number of Asian shore crabs (another invasive species).

As in previous years, we found no green crabs above Fisher Eddy on the Kennebec, but we found green crabs in all 3 traps on the Sasanoa. From additional monitoring efforts of the green crab, we know that the species can move up the shoreline of Arrowsic as the summer progresses. We now have green crabs above the Doubling Point lighthouse as of mid-August. An additional element this year was the identification of the Asian shore crab as another invader of our waters. It is a smaller crab and we catch them coincidentally as they fall thru the mesh of our green crab traps. There is additional data and information about the historical green crab trapping activity on the Arrowsic web site, which will soon be updated with 2017 data.

The ASCC supports several ongoing projects including the annual clam flat survey, the clam farm efforts at North Squirrel Point flat, the annual green crab survey, the Fall Festival and the Clam Camp activities. Please consider volunteering for these efforts when support is requested.

— submitted by Paul Burgess, Shellfish Conservation Committee





(I) Hauling the traps after an eight-hour soak and (r) A female green crab.

Save the Dates

- Saturday, September 16: Education Committee Yard Sale, Town Hall
- Sunday, November 5 (tentative): Arrowsic Fall Festival, Fire Station

From Our Town Clerk

• Volunteers needed to help maintain the Town Garden. Contact Barbara at clerk@arrowsic.org.

The Woolwich Route 1 Southbound Onramp—Background and Opinion

The southbound Route 1 highway entrance in Woolwich has been a safety concern to many, for many years. I've witnessed numerous accidents at that spot, and, have had a couple of close calls myself. The problem seemed to have worsened after the white-hatched lines were added several years ago when the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) was working on Route 1. Those lines were supposed to help the situation, but, for whatever reason, few have seemed to pay any attention to them.

So now, as I'm sure you have noticed, MDOT has added speed bumps. Will these do the trick? Time will tell, but here's the story of my experience, what I have learned about this issue, and my own opinions on the matter.

The Problem at Hand

Before the speed bumps, the problem came to a head for me when I decided to try and follow what the lines and the signs seemed to be telling us was the correct path to the highway. If you followed the lines, you would drive straight ahead, come to a full stop, look carefully to the left, and then enter Route 1. However, as already mentioned, virtually no one has been paying attention to the lines. When someone did, it seemed to completely confuse the drivers behind, who must have been thinking the car in front was turning left (even though it's illegal, and even though a right turn signal might have been flashing). As a result, what has happened, just about every time, was that the driver stopped at the stop sign was completely ignored by the driver behind, who, hardly stopping at all, went around the first car and zoomed ahead into Route 1, right over the hatched lines, ignoring them completely. If the driver at the stop sign was already turning right, where moving ahead quickly to enter the traffic lane is critical, this set up a direct collision path with the other car, also entering the highway at the same time. After this happened to me at least three times, and after a lot of angry hand waving and horn honking, I decided some more constructive action had to be taken.

MDOT's Explanation and Response

The fact is, I had already been corresponding with our MDOT local representatives for the past two years or so, but it was clear to me that it was time for this to be ratcheted up to the next level. So following the recent incidents, I called again and spoke with the Midcoast region manager, who listened carefully, immediately looked up the location I was describing, and sized things up quickly. When I asked what was it going to take to do something to correct the problem, and said that I hoped it didn't all boil down to statistics—and the severity of the accidents—he basically said that is how they look at things, in order to decide what—if anything—should be done. However, after he looked at the statistics they had—nine accidents in 2015—he said that did rise to the level needing action. The location in question was rated 1.26, where anything greater than 1 is considered an issue. But he then added that there were many other, more serious, problems, with ratings greater than 3, and these needed to be taken care of first, saying that priorities had to be set due to a "limited pool of funding." In any case, he said he would relay my concerns to one of the traffic engineers. Not too long afterward, I received a call from the engineer, who explained, in detail, his analysis of the problem and the proposed—at least short-term—solution.

He said when there was a yield sign there, accidents resulted when drivers turned from the hatched area, hardly slowing down, and thinking the highway was clear, but then stopping short, after realizing at the last second that it wasn't. The problem arose when the driver behind saw the car in front accelerating and did the same, expecting to continue, but not being able to stop in time to avoid the stopped car in front. Many fender-benders over the years have resulted. So MDOT added the hatched lines and changed the yield sign to a stop sign. He said the key was that cars had to come to a full stop before entering the highway, hopefully avoiding the fender-

bender scenario. That's when I explained that no one was paying attention to this, and that had created a new, and potentially worse, problem. He said the hatched area had to remain, to allow large tractor trailers enough room to turn into the highway. At that point, I said it seemed to me that the only solution would be to create a true acceleration lane to enter the highway. He didn't disagree, but said that would be a big project, and would take at least three years before it even got started. He then said he was planning to try something that could be done immediately that might be beneficial for at least for part of the year. He said he had three "speed-bump units" that could be put in place right away, and left there for about six months, but would need to be removed when it got cold, to allow for snow plowing. And now we have them, and my opinions follow.

My Own Observations and Opinions...Yours are most welcome!

I have been following the new lines and avoiding the hatched area since it was created, and, while I don't think this is the perfect solution, there is absolutely no doubt in my mind that this is the safest approach we have right now. The visibility down the highway to the left from the stop sign is far greater and you don't have to crane your neck 180 degrees to try to see, as is the case from the hatched area. Also, looking at that oblique angle, it is much more difficult to judge which of the two Route 1 lanes cars are in, or see last minute lane changes. The downside is that you do have to turn right quickly to enter the highway, and that's not as easy as the quick acceleration from the hatched area, but you can be much more confident that a car won't suddenly seem to appear out of nowhere, that wasn't there only seconds before.

With the speed bumps there now, cars can still be seen trying to take the old route, avoiding the speed bumps, but cutting the corner as much as possible, or going over parts of the speed bumps (which not only slow you down, but make it harder to accelerate). And there are still a fair number driving right through the hatched area and ignoring the speed bumps entirely.

Please think about this carefully, be objective, put it to the full test, and see what you think! If you're still not satisfied, as I am not, contacting your local state legislators may be the best approach at this point.

—Paul Schlein





(I) Perfect position—just what MDOT ordered: Car pulled up straight ahead, right up to the stop sign, and ready to turn right. (r) Car is turning entirely from the off-limits area. Cars should not be going over the solid white lines, hatched lines, or speed bumps. MDOT says this area is reserved for large vehicles like tractor-trailers.

Help Wanted: History Curator for Town Website

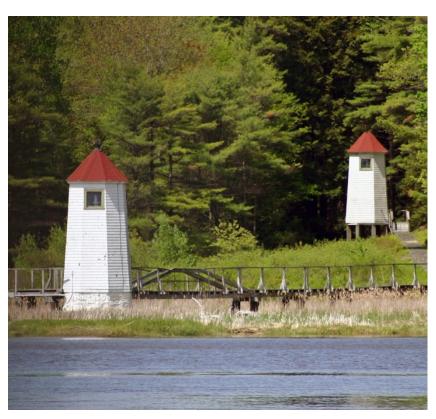
Arrowsic has a long and rich history. Our island has been continuously settled since 1620, but there is no central repository for all the information available. The idea has been suggested to gather relevant documents and post them on the Town website—in this age, what better and more accessible location is there for this? For the project to begin, someone with the time and energy to curate this new section is needed. If you are interested, please contact Paul Schlein, pschlein@gmail.com, 443-3209.

Range Light Restoration

Major work is now underway at the historic range lights on Doubling Point. A century of decay has been removed and lost original details are being restored. Visitors to the site for Open Lighthouse Day on September 9 viewed the exciting transformation taking place at the site.

Follow the project image log through <u>RLK.ORG</u> or on <u>instagram.com/rangelights/</u>. The same work also needs to be done on the second range light tower. Your donations make this preservation effort possible. Please be generous in support of our Arrowsic history.

—submitted by Michael Kreindler, Range Light Keepers



Historic image of the range lights from the Kennebec River (Photo: Jeremy D'Entremont).



Restored sills and posts in place at the rear tower support the structure.

Nurse's Notes

Welcome to this issue's Nurse's Notes. Please consider clicking on this link to stop smoking, forever.



The Maine community of online support to quit smoking

Heartsaver CPR classes are here October 2nd, 7pm to 8:30pm, at the Arrowsic fire station. It will cost \$5 to be certified in CPR and defibrillator use. Class still has openings; register before September 28th to hold your place. This is an incredible opportunity for you and our town. Contact cwoodman@arrowsic.org to join this easy and simple class. Future classes will be November 6th and December 4th. (Registration for classes will be taken up to a week before the class.)

[&]quot;The greatest wealth is health." See you around town, Christine Woodman.

Island Verse

Sad Maleek

Sometimes you must travel far to chance on a memory, as happened to me the other day at an historic lighthouse, on the estuary of Maine's Kennebec River.

From the platform I watched a bird, standing still, imperturbable, on the edge of the green marsh, its gaze fixed at the turbulent water.

It had a long neck, like a giraffe's, curved, like a camel's—a great blue heron, I reckoned.

This was a bird I had encountered long ago in a children's book, which called him, in Arabic, Sad Maleek. In that tale he had eyes everywhere, and so could warn a dove who complained about her eggs vanishing from the nest that the poacher was the fox. The wily one had ears everywhere, and soon uncovered the detractor. He was enraged, and schemed revenge. Finding Sad Maleek, the fox lured him into a mazy conversation, hoodwinking him to fold his wings around the head; and, in an instant, he leapt, invisible, and finished off the gullible informer.

As I recalled the story, I suddenly saw the heron itself leap, into and out of the water, gulping down a creature, without a name to recount.

Sharif Elmusa moves between Arrowsic and Washington, D.C, and is the author of the poetry collection Flawed Landscape (2008).



Easygoing

15 Aug 2017

Relax, Sometimes it Will take a Bit of time to Kill You so Totally on Life That you may as Well

Just sit

Back, smile, and

Enjoy the process completely.

© 2017 Philip Mason

Free Open Fire Permits Again Available Online

Yes, you can again apply for open fire permits online on the town website after the state legislature approved Warden's Report, the service that the town had been using before the private service was declared illegal by the state Forest Department earlier this year.

All open burning requires a permit obtained on the day one wishes to burn. To obtain a permit, go to the town website at <u>arrowsic.org</u>, click on Fire Department in the right hand column, and then click on Open Burning Permit Online Application and follow the instructions therein. After filling out the form online, one should then print it out and sign it.

Not only are the online permits free and easy to access, they allow the fire chief to restrict burning on high-risk days. And, Chief Carlton notes, the service informs him of the address and type of burn so he can be alert should any problems develop.

Open burns are restricted to brush piles, wood debris and agricultural burns. One cannot burn paper, cardboard, plastics, chemicals, rubber, tires, pressure treated or finished wood, painted wood, rubbish or garbage, demolition debris such as insulation, styrofoam, metal, sheetrock, asphalt shingles, or wire insulation.

For further information, contact Chief Dale Carlton at afd@arrowsic.org or 443-8343.

Sewall Pond Access from Route 127

The Conservation Commission wants to remind people that access to Sewall Pond from Rt. 127 is across private property and is subject to the property owner's discretion. Please be gentle on the property and respectful of the owner's rights. Do pick up after yourselves, and do not be overly loud. Also do not cut new trails or remove vegetation (even if it is poison ivy). Public use of this access point is contingent on our being good guests. Thank you.

—submitted by the Conservation Commission



Drought Update

Even following the two inches of rain we received, as of September 5, we were still in "moderate" drought conditions. For regular updates, see https://www.drought.gov/drought/states/maine.

Conserve water now, and always. For more information, see http://www.maine.gov/mema/prepare/prep_display.shtml?147346.

Who Cares About Energy Efficiency?

Truth be told, not many. In this day of cheap energy, information overload, climate change denial, etc., it's hard to get anyone's attention let alone suggest changes to home or lifestyle. Let's face it, we humans are creatures of habit and although we have a tremendous ability to adapt, we seldom do until our backs are against the wall. What bothers me most about our current situation is that unless you really aren't paying attention, it would be hard to argue that our children and grandchildren will not have their backs slammed firmly against the proverbial wall of environmental upheaval in the not too distant future. Not the best of legacies from the baby boom generation.

(continued on next page)

So as not to be too much gloom and doom, let me suggest a few other good reasons to make those home improvements that you may have considered but long been putting off.

Comfort: Those cold drafts and big temperature variations between rooms can be eliminated or greatly improved by reducing air leakage and increasing insulation R values in your home. Wouldn't it be great to be warm all over your house and not just next to the wood stove?

Economy: Energy is relatively cheap at the moment but many of us still spend way too much of our budgets heating our homes. I am saddened when banks advertise 'Home heating loans.'

Common sense: Why is this so uncommon? Shouldn't every generation conserve resources for the next?

Efficiency Maine has information and rebates that will help with the cost of many home efficiency improvements. Check out their website or call them at 866-376-2463.

— submitted by Al Heath, ColdClimateHome.com

Invasive Forest Species Updates from the Maine Forest Service (as of 8/17/17)

Browntail Moth (Euproctis chrysorrhoea)

Browntail moth caterpillars are now hatching from their furry egg masses on the leaves of host trees—primarily oak and apple. The tiny larvae will feed by skeletonizing leaves and leaving the veins behind. Their feeding can be confused with that of fall webworm but the webworm larvae are over an inch in size now, whereas the browntails will be less than ½ of an inch.

There were moth flights reported in July from the usual Midcoast area but not in particularly large numbers. Light traps in Freeport and Hope picked up hundreds of moths so they are still out there. But, when we looked for locations to run some control trials, we came up empty. We have been looking at small trees, i.e. apple, young oak, hawthorn, etc., and have searched from Turner to Yarmouth up to Phippsburg and in between. We have found very few egg masses down low and in



Immature browntail moth larvae in webbing on the underside of a leaf. (Photo: Maine Forest Service)

many places are not seeing much feeding yet when using binoculars to look at the tops of large trees. There are still hot spots in areas such as Eddington and Burnham, far outside the usual browntail area, where large trees are affected. We are NOT saying browntail is gone, but it may not be as bad next year in many places.

It is still early in the survey season, so stay tuned. If you are thinking of treating trees now, it would be worth it to closely inspect the trees to see if there are browntails skeletonizing the leaves and starting their winter webs.

Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (Adelges tsugae)

This insect seems to be spreading to more and more locations in Arrowsic. The detection of hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA) in three counties of southwest Nova Scotia this month is an important reminder that this hard-to-detect insect could be, undetected, in forests of interior and Downeast coastal Maine. To date, any HWA found east of Camden has been thought to be associated with artificial spread, and populations have not been found in forest trees in that area. However, it is worth taking a regular look at hemlocks outside the known infested area in Maine (map below) for the telltale white, wispy material covering adelgid on the twigs of hemlock trees.

(continued on next page)

This is not the easiest time of year to spot HWA; the white 'wool' hasn't been refreshed since June, and the adelgid is dormant until mid-October. However, it is a good time from the perspective of accidental spread. This time of year, adelgid eggs and crawlers are unlikely to be present, and adelgid cannot be accidentally moved on clothing and equipment. Risk of spread on anything except rooted hemlock picks up again in mid to late winter.

Information on identification of HWA is available at https://tinyurl.com/y8hlvatr. If you think you have found HWA outside the area mapped, please let us know.

Winter Moth (Operophtera brumata)

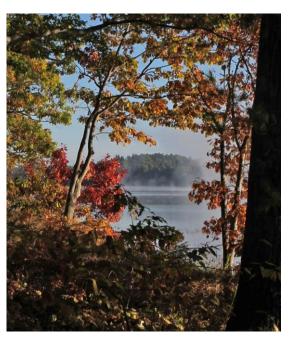
Be on the lookout for winter moths flying in December and damage to oak, maple, apple, blueberries, and other hardwoods in May from little green inchworms (https://tinyurl.com/yd3kf55z)

For the complete MFS August report: https://tinyurl.com/y9o2jdvd.

Fall in Arrowsic



Winter Is Coming (Photo: Phil Mason)



Season of Mists (Photo: Sheila Spear)





The Arrowsic Arrow is Arrowsic's independent newsletter, produced entirely through the efforts of volunteers. The newsletter is published quarterly, currently in winter, spring, summer, and fall. The Arrow is distributed via e-mail to all those on the Town of Arrowsic list or on paper to those who have asked to receive it in this way. The Town covers any costs for paper and postage. To avoid cost to the town, please consider receiving The Arrow through e-mail or printing your own copy. All articles and notices are welcome. Notices should be limited to 100 words.

Arrow Committee: Suzanne Gunston, Bob Kalish, Paul Schlein, Thomas Spear, and Nancy Brown Stump

Production: Thomas Spear

Contact: Paul Schlein, pschlein@gmail.com, 443-3209