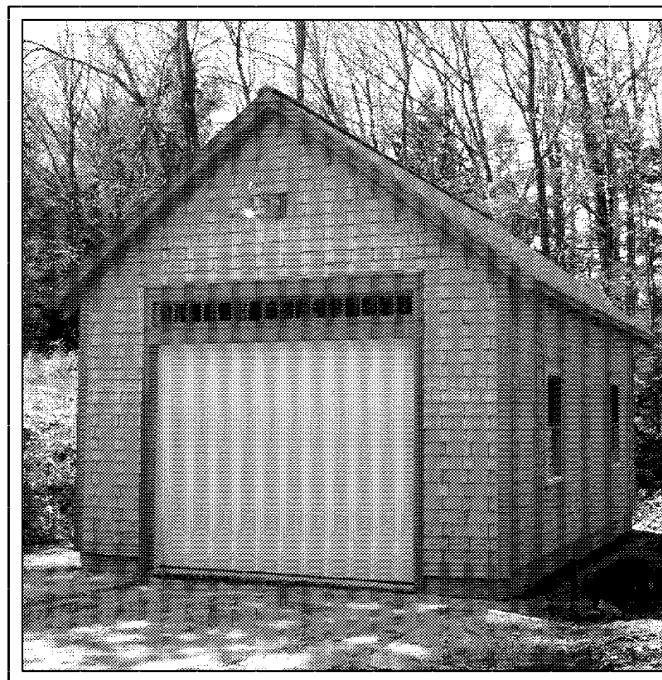


Annual Report

**of the Municipal Officers
of the Town of**

Arrowsic

Maine



**Warrant for 2004-2005
Preliminary Report for 2003-2004
Audited Report for 2002-2003**

On the Cover

“The Little Barn,” constructed in the fall of 2003, is now home to the Fire Department’s brush truck and related equipment. If not the first, it’s certainly one of the few structures ever built by the Town. Not only was the project completed on schedule and within budget, but was of a higher quality and design due to the hard work and talent of several of our townspeople and generous donations from the following contractors:

Champion Glass
Coastal Lighting & Design
Dick Elwell
Downeast Energy & Building Supply
Garage Door Company, Woolwich
Hammond Lumber
Harp’s Plumbing
Marriner Lumber
Rogers Hardware
Sagadahoc Electric Company
Robert Shultz Builders
Mark Tamburo

Art. 57. To see what date the Town will select for the 2005 Annual Town Meeting.

Selectmen recommend Wednesday, June 15, 2005, at 6:30 PM.

LAWRENCE WILSON
MICHELE GAILLARD
SUZANNAH HEARD

Attest:
Josephine Ewing

2003-2004

Preliminary Report*

of the Municipal Officers
of the Town of

Arrowsic

Maine

Incorporated in 1841

*Includes unaudited Preliminary Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2004, and audited Financial Statement for Fiscal Year July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003

Annual Report Production
by Paul Schlein and Larry Wilson

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Add USFWS Habitat Maps to Comprehensive Plan, Referenced in Background Data of Table of Contents.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to continue to allocate all revenues from the sale of shellfish licenses, and any fines received for violation of the Shellfish Conservation Ordinance to a dedicated Shellfish Conservation Fund, to be used by the Shellfish Conservation Committee for shellfish management, conservation, and ordinance enforcement.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to collect all Watercraft Excise Taxes in a dedicated Water Access Trust.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend grants to be used for various municipal and planning related services.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to allocate all revenues from dog license fees to a dedicated Animal Control Account for the purpose of funding animal control work in town.

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to draw from **surplus** such funds as necessary to meet the Town’s responsibilities for uncollectible ambulance fees (Actual 03-04 \$0).

Art. 51. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to draw from **surplus** such funds as necessary to meet the Town’s legislated responsibilities for providing General Assistance (Actual 03-04 \$350.38).

Art. 52. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to draw from **surplus** such funds as necessary for tax abatements due to overpaid taxes.

Art. 53. To see if the Town will vote to retain all proceeds from the sale of tax delinquent property in a dedicated Capital Improvement Fund.

Art. 54. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 55. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 56. To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize for Annual Interest on all taxes paid 60 days after posting.

Selectmen recommend 6.5%. State Maximum Allowed—6.5%.

3.2.4.3 *Non-residential uses are permitted including, but are not limited to municipal services; government functions; political, social and special interest events; meetings; public gatherings; storage of materials and equipment; emergency facilities; commerce; recreation; charitable, artistic and creative activities, provided in each case the Selectboard shall have determined that such uses are consistent with the purposes of this Municipal Overlay District.*

Table I Uses By District

6. Structures

Municipal B&C/PB B&C/PB B&C/PB B&C/PB

Sect. 3.21 See Table I

Sect. 3.22 See Table I

Sect. 4.1 and Table of Contents **Building and Plumbing Permits**

Sect. 4.1.6 No Building Permit shall be issued for any structure or use involving the construction, installation or alteration of plumbing facilities unless a valid Plumbing Septic Permit has been secured by the applicant in conformance with the sanitary provisions of this Ordinance.

{Definitions}

Structure:

Principal Structure...

Accessory Structure...

Incidental Structure: A structure which is of no consequence in achieving or maintaining the purposes and goals of this Ordinance. Structures which need not be considered as structures for the purposes of meeting the shoreland setback standard are, for example, lawn furniture, picnic tables. Structures considered significant and that require compliance with the setback and dimensional requirements include, but are not limited to: decks, patios, buildings, antennas with ground contact, and any structure having substantial volume and visual impact.

Expansion of Structure: New stairways used solely for gaining access to a residential structure need not be considered when determining a structure's setback, providing they are no wider than four feet.

Additions:

Add Cell Tower Ordinance to Zoning Ordinance, referenced in 6.0 Table of Contents.

Add to Table of Contents and add *Zoning Map Sect. 2.2.2.7 p. 8.*

Dedication

Bill Reed

WHEN BILL REED TALKS about being the bus driver for Arrowsic's school kids, he talks about having fun, he talks about "something special," and earning respect. He claims that "there were few enough kids and a long enough bus ride that everyone got to know each other, they got a chance to be friends."

Bill Reed drove his first school bus for Arrowsic when his father, Bert, took over Howard Sullivan's contract in December 1979. Bill drove for the rest of that year. Ralph Higgins drove the next year; then Bill did the driving until 2000. Today, Bath Bus Service is owned by Bill and has 27 buses servicing both Bath and the towns of Union 47. Bill no longer drives regularly; there's too much coordinating that needs getting done, but when he rides through Arrowsic, he takes pride in knowing he's transported kids from almost every house along Route 127 and the Old Stage Road. Some of those kids even went on to work for him at the Exxon station. He names Don Root, Matt Birchbickler, Brian Scott, David Wienckowski, Joe MacMahan, Michael Ater.

As the bus driver, Bill felt he had to know every kid's name. He claims, "That was the only way to develop a relationship so I had the kid's respect, so I could do my job." But Bill did more than learn names; he paid attention. He knew who made the honor roll or the basketball team or played drums for the Middle School band. He noticed things; he noticed that the kindergartners tended to sit up in the front of the bus, close to the driver; he guesses they felt safer near the authority figure. Then as kids got older, they would start sitting farther and farther back, until they got to be sophomores or juniors in high school when they sat up front again, away from the immature kids at the rear of the bus. Spencer Mann recalls Bill giving each kid the opportunity to implement his or her own ideal seating plan, which shook things up for a bit.

"We had a good time," admitted Bill, chuckling. "Once, I brought some roasted peanuts and told each kid getting on the bus to help themselves, as



long as they didn't make a mess. By the time we got to the school, nearly everyone was sitting there with their hands full of empty shells. Someone asked what I wanted done with them, and I told the kids to go on and throw them at each other, which they did. Oh my, there were shells everywhere; ask Janine Hutton about that!"

When the kids yearned for music, Bill installed big speakers. When they started bringing tapes, he fixed it so he could play those too. "Ice Baby" was so popular for awhile that the kids wanted to hear it over and over, so he took that tape home and recorded a whole side of that one song. He also had a pail full of kid video games in the front of the bus. "Kids liked those," Bill claimed. And there was permission to do the Hokey Pokey in the aisle whenever the Carlton Bridge went up. Bill said he liked to think up puzzlers and quizzes for the ride to and from school. He said when he asked the name of the Arrowsic–Woolwich bridge, he had kids calling the town historian. I told him Kika had made me take her back to the bridge so she could get out and read the plaque. Ian Weiss probably spoke for many others when he paid Bill tribute in his graduation speech, admitting, "My short bus ride seemed more important than lunch."

To hear folks talk, Bill Reed qualifies as a local hero, not because of what he did in one moment of extreme circumstance, but because of how he conducts business day after day. "Mothers liked me," Bill explained, speaking of his bus driving days. To start with, he made a point of being on time. He explained that it was important to be accurate. "When it's cold and raining, a kid doesn't want to wait outdoors, not even to go to school." Yet Bill did not just get to each kid at a precise moment every school day, he did so whether or not the kid got to him in such a timely manner. Bill did not strand children at the tops of their driveways or fail to notice one dashing for the road from her house. He did not speed to make up for lost minutes. In fact, he listened patiently while parents gave drop-off instructions; he maneuvered carefully past family dogs and goats, proceeding unscathed through snowball barricades assembled by young engineers along the Old Stage Road. Despite all the variables a route can impose, Bill was always on time; folks reset their watches by him.

Adults got the chance to get in on the remarkability of Bill's Bath Bus Service when Bill Reed was hired by the Arrowsic Recreation Committee to transport town residents and their friends to Portland to see the Pirates and the Sea Dogs play. The home team didn't always win, but the Arrowsic fans got there on time, and the bus was all warmed up as soon as they stepped out after the games. Some felt the getting there and coming back was the best part; it had to have been what lured Judy Kenney to a Sea Dog's game, because she can't stand baseball.

Then there's the Transportation Cost Category of the School Revenue Articles, the only line that earns applause from taxpayers at Town Meeting year after year, because it's stayed the same since 2000, when it went down a hundred dollars from what it had been the three years before. This year,

<i>Municipal</i>	<i>B&C/PB</i>	<i>B&C/PB</i>	<i>B&C/PB</i>	<i>B&C/PB</i>
7. Home Business Permit	HBP/PB	HBP/PB	HBP/PB	HBP/PB

11. Piers, docks...

Temporary, *new or replacement*

Permanent, *new or replacement* _____ B&C/PB N/A N/A

Sect. 3.20 *Land Clearing for Development*

Must be in conformance with Sect. 3.2 of this Ordinance.

2.2 Land Use Requirements

2.2.6 Municipal Overlay District

2.2.6.1 General: The purpose of this district is to provide for the health and safety, environmental quality, and economic well-being of the community and to support and provide necessary and appropriate public services for the Town of Arrowsic.

This district shall include all municipal property.

2.2.6.2 Permitted, Conditional and Prohibited Uses: The uses permitted in the district shall be those set forth in Section 3.20 of the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance. Upon application by the Selectboard, conditional uses may be allowed only upon issuance of a Conditional Use Permit by the CEO or Planning Board as found in Table 1: "Uses By District."

2.2.6.3 Performance Standards: See Section 3.20 of the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance.

3.0 Performance Standards

3.24 Municipal Overlay District (see Section 2.2.6)

3.2.4.1 Dimensional Requirements in the underlying district shall apply except for the following:

- There shall be no minimum lot size requirement.*
- Minimum front, side, and rear setbacks are reduced to zero feet, except with respect to setbacks from property lines which directly abut privately owned land.*

3.2.4.2 Selective cutting restrictions within 50 feet of the roadway shall not apply. However, open space use between the structures or other activities shall be conducted in a manner that preserves vegetative cover and the natural environment.

the Town of Arrowsic. *The Selectmen are hereby authorized to enter into administrative consent agreements for the purpose of eliminating violations of this Ordinance and recovering fines without Court Action in accordance with Title 30-A, Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, Subsection 4452. Such agreements shall not allow an illegal structure or use to continue unless there is clear and convincing evidence that the illegal structure or use was constructed or conducted as a direct result of erroneous advice given by an authorized municipal official, and there is no evidence that the owner acted in bad faith, or unless the removal of the structure or use will result in a threat or hazard to public health and safety, or will result in substantial environmental damage.*

3.7.1 Arrowsic has no commercial zone. A home business, as defined herein, may be conducted within a residential zone only after a “Home Business Permit” has been issued by the Planning Board.

A Home Business is an occupation or business which is regularly carried on within a dwelling or accessory structure to the dwelling by a member of the family residing therein: is clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the dwelling unit for residential purposes: and does not involve any exterior alteration which would change the residential character of the premises. Permitted home businesses include: the production of goods. the sale of goods produced on site. the provision of services performed on site. the provision of goods and services off site for which the material and equipment are kept on site. A sales outlet is not a home business unless the item sold is a product of the owner's labor (i.e. manufactured. produced. created. caught. grown.) Home business should be indistinguishable from a residence except for signs permitted in accordance with the Sign Standard - Section 3.14 Zoning Ordinance.

If the proposed home business employs more than one person not residing in the dwelling, or if the proposed home business use causes the premises to be in any way distinguishable from a single-family residence, the Planning Board *shall* require a Conditional Use Permit, as described in section 4.2 herein.

3.7.2 The owner of a home business must reside *on the lot* where the business is conducted. A home business shall not have more than ~~six~~ two non-family members working on the premises.

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3.20 Land Clearing for Development *p. 32*

Table 1, 6. Accessory structures *greater than 200 sq. ft.*

Accessory structures *200 sq. ft. and under*

Additions *greater than 100 sq. ft.*

Additions *100 sq. ft. and under*

we are in for an even bigger cut. Alex Guckenbug's remembrances serve as a clue to how that came about. He recalls riding to elementary school in a pickup because, “One year, there were just three of us; it would have been a waste to use a huge bus, so Bill drove us in the truck. It had ‘Bath Bus Service’ printed on the door.” Bill calls this doing what makes sense, as if that is common practice. Presently, there are so few elementary students going to Bath, Bill uses a van. He figures that saves \$850 a month. He's also worked things out between Georgetown and Arrowsic, combining those high and middle school runs. At one time we paid \$3,000 a month, but with this arrangement it's down to \$1,650.

I think part of Bill's secret, the one he wouldn't even claim he's got, is that he likes things to go well, and he's willing to figure ways to make that happen. He likes to see folks get along, be they children or adults. To hear Bill talk about his years as the school bus driver for Arrowsic, it's obvious that he has long valued the relationship he has with us; he knows he matters to the folks in our little town. He has watched our children come on his bus as munchkins and leave as young adults, and then after that, they come back to see him. There's something rhythmic and essential about Bill's role in our lives, something that respects the change of tides and seasons, the up and down of bridges, the going from and coming back of yellow school buses filled with children, the more or less depending on the when and where you see them.

“We have had a good time...that means a lot,” Bill keeps telling us. And the best part is, we know he means it.

Submitted by
NANCY BROWN STUMP

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Town Office Hours

Wednesdays, 3:00–5:30 PM
Fridays, 8:30–11:00 AM

Committee Meeting Dates and Times

COMMITTEE	DATE	TIME
Board of Selectmen	2nd & 4th Monday	6 PM
Planning Board.....	1st Monday	7 PM
Board of Appeals.....	As Needed	
Recycling & Solid Waste.....	As Needed	
Road Commission	1st Tuesday	7 PM
Conservation Commission.....	3rd Monday.....	7 PM
Town Property Management	3rd Tuesday.....	7 PM
Shellfish Conservation Committee	2nd Monday	5 PM

Board of Appeals

4.4.3.2 Appointment and Composition

The Board of Appeals shall be appointed by the Selectmen and shall consist of five members *and two alternates*, all of whom shall be residents of the Town of voting age. Members shall serve staggered five-year terms. A Town Officer may not serve as a member. The Board shall choose a Chairman and a secretary from its membership. The secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Appeals, which shall show the vote of each member upon each question. All minutes of the Board shall be a public record. *In the absence of a regular member, the Chair shall designate an alternate member to act.* A quorum shall consist of three members or *designated alternate members*. The Board shall act by majority of those present and voting.

Planning Board

4.8.2 Appointment and Composition

The Planning Board and its Chairman shall be appointed by the Selectmen. The Board shall consist of five members and *two alternates*, all of whom shall be residents of the Town of voting age. Members shall serve staggered terms of five years. A Town Officer may not serve as a member. The Board shall choose a secretary from its membership. The secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Board, which shall show the vote of each member upon each question. All minutes of the Board shall be public record. *In the absence of a regular member, the Chair shall designate an alternate member to act.* A quorum shall consist of three members or *designated alternate members*. The Board shall act by majority of those present and voting.

4.5 Enforcement

4.5.2 An Alternate Codes Enforcement Officer *may* be appointed by the Selectmen. The duties of the Alternate Codes Enforcement Officer shall be to assist the regular Codes Enforcement Officer in the performance of his or her duties as directed by the Codes Enforcement Officer. In the event that the Codes Enforcement Officer is absent or otherwise unavailable, the Alternate CEO is authorized to act on his or her behalf.

4.6 Legal Actions

When the above action does not result in the correction or abatement of the violation or nuisance condition, the Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to institute any and all actions and proceedings, either legal or equitable, including seeking injunction of violations and the imposition of fines, that may be appropriate or necessary to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance in the name of the Town, including, but not limited to, enforcement through the use of a Land Use Citation and Complaint filed in the name of

Art. 38. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Planning Board.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
500	767	500	539	650

Art. 39. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Board of Appeals.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
0	0	0	102	200

Art. 40. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Conservation Commission.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
1,000	0	250	122	250

Art. 41. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the dedicated Shellfish Conservation Fund for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Shellfish Conservation Committee.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
400	330	250	340	400

Art. 42. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Local Emergency Management Agency.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
250	31	250	8	250

Art. 43. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from **surplus** to provide legal services.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
4,000	1,330	3,000	1,920	3,000

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$4,000 from **surplus** for Town Hall improvements and maintenance.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the ordinance entitled "Town of Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance dated 6/18/03" as indicated below. Note: For "delete and replace" changes, language deleted is marked with a wavy underline, and language added is *italicized*.

Elected Officials

TOWN CLERK

Josephine Ewing, 443-9795

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Michele Gaillard, 442-7443, gaillard@gwi.net
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TREASURER

Paul Schlein, 443-3209

TAX COLLECTOR

Elizabeth Rollins, 443-3658

FIRE CHIEF

Ike Heffron, 371-9093

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Eloise Vitelli, Chairman, 443-4660

Jody Jones

Nancy Brown Stump

Appointed Officials

CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Michael Kreindler, 442-7443

PLANNING BOARD

Mary Hillery, Chairman, 442-8020

Mary Louise Blanchard, Secretary

Will Neilson

Chris Brett (Alt.)

Roger Heard

Lisa Stuart

Jean Kane (Alt.)

Jim Tolan (Alt.)

BOARD OF APPEALS

Mark Geiger, Chairman, 443-1072

Bart Chapin

Mona Schlein

Grace Stone

James Arsenault

Lois Hewlett

Wendy Briggs (Alt.)

AD HOC RECYCLING SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Judy Jones, Chairman, 442-7612

John Hinds

Roz MacLean

Jeff Mann

STATE FIRE WARDEN

Ike Heffron, 371-9093

ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF

George Mead

DIRECTOR OF LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Greg Guckenburg, 442-8020

HEALTH OFFICER

Mildred R. Stafford, 443-5832

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Jean Kane, 443-4978

(Art. 32, continued)

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	REQUEST
Maine Welfare Dir.	0		20	0	0
MTCTA	0		15	0	0
Total	1,200		1,337	1,162	1,162
Amount to be Raised					1,052

*Paid out of department budgets

Art. 33. Shall the Town vote to accept the categories of State funding listed below as provided by the Maine State Legislature?

Municipal Revenue Sharing	Estimated	20,000
MDOT Block Grant	Estimated	12,372
State Aid to Education (including Federal pass-through funds and property tax relief)	Estimated	18,000
Tree Growth Reimbursement	Estimated	200
Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	Estimated	850
Snowmobile Registration money	Estimated	657
State grants or other funds not included above	Unknown(s)	0
Homestead Reimbursement	Estimated	8,000

Art. 34. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Contingent and operating expenses for the ensuing year.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
	6,000	5,656	6,000	6,000	6,000

Art. 35. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for printing the Annual Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
	2,000	2,275	2,900	2,800	3,000

Art. 36. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Insurance for the coming year.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
	5,000	6,149	6,200	6,817	7,000

Art. 37. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Municipal Utilities for the coming year.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
	4,000	3,024	3,000	3,026	3,200

Art. 28. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for disposal of septage waste for the ensuing fiscal year.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
4,000	2,258	3,600	1,686	2,400

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to keep the Town alewife resource closed to harvesting during the 2005 season, for conservation purposes.

Art. 30. To see which organizations the Town will support for the coming year.

	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Bath-Brunswick	500	500	600
Jessie Albert Memorial Clinic	550	550	0
The Range Light Keepers	100	100	100
Patten Free Library	6,916	5,390	5,390
Coastal Humane Society	549	549	548
Coastal Trans	300	300	300
Bath-Brunswick Mental Health (dba Sweetser)	0	572	572
WCBB Channel 10	250	250	250
Coastal Economic Development (CED)	325	325	325
Elmhurst Assn. for Retarded Citizens, Inc.	500	500	500
Bath-Brunswick Hospice	1,000	1,000	1,000
Community Health & Nursing Serv. (CHANS)	350	350	350
Arrowsic Arrow	800	800	800
Doubling Point Lighthouse	100	100	100
Senior Spectrum (Meals on Wheels)	370	370	357
Bath Area Family YMCA	250	250	250
Bath Area Senior Citizens, Inc.	200	250	250
Family Crisis Shelter	500	500	500
Tedford Shelter	150	150	150
The Park	0	0	200
Total	13,710	12,806	12,542

Art. 31. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from surplus to fund Article 30.

Selectmen Recommend \$12,542

Art. 32. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for dues in the coming year.

	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05
	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL
Maine Municipal Assn.	1,020	1,020	1,052
Maine School Mgmt.*	180	282	110

ELECTION CLERKS

Mary Louise Blanchard	Josephine Ewing
Lois Hewlett	Mildred R. Stafford
Jeff Mann	Ann Barnes
Eloise Vitelli	

ROAD COMMISSION

James P. Stump, Chairman, 442-7527	
Richard Elwell	Sally Drake
John Wood	

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Josephine Ewing, Chairman, 443-9795	
William C. Blaiklock	Mildred R. Stafford
Danny Westcott	Henry Mann
Frances Smith Tolan	Roger Heard
Noreen Blaiklock	

TOWN HISTORIAN

Mildred R. Stafford, 443-5832

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Larry Mann, 371-9089

TOWN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

James Arsenault, Co-chairman, 443-1510	
Robert Ater, Co-chairman, 443-1519	
Ann Ater	Mildred Stafford
Elizabeth Wilson	George Stafford

SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

William Blaiklock, Chairman, 443-3725	
Peter Goodwin	Lois Hewlett
Richard Higgins	Phil Packard

SHELLFISH WARDEN

John Hentz, 371-2732

SCHOLARSHIP FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Jeremy Blaiklock, Chairman, 443-4630	
Nancy Brown Stump	Maria Grill
Roger Heard	Paul Schlein

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 Maine Legislative Internet Website: www.state.me.us/legis

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the ensuing year for an Assessors' Agent.

Art. 24. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and/or draw from Excise Tax and the MDOT Block Grant for general maintenance and repair of Town Ways and other Properties for the ensuing year, including snow removal.

	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05
Raised	79,000	83,500	94,000
Excise Tax	65,000	70,000	70,000
MDOT Block Grant	12,370	12,370	12,370

Road Commission Proposed Budget 2004-2005

General Maintenance	4,000
Culverts	1,000
Grading	5,000
Asphalt Repair	1,000
Road Sign Replacement	1,000
Emergency	2,000
Snowplow	40,000
Paving—Old Stage Rd.	40,000
Total	94,000

Appropriations:

Excise Tax	70,000
MDOT Block Grant	12,370
Amount to be raised:	11,630

Art. 25. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to cover the costs of recycling and other related activities.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
3,500	2,617	3,500	3,000	4,500

Art. 26. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to cover the costs of solid waste disposal.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
17,000	14,301	19,000	19,500	22,500

Art. 27. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for FY 04-05 Auditor's Report and associated services.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
4,000	3,320	3,600	3,785	4,400

Art. 15. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the Transportation Cost Category, which consists of the Transportation account.

School Committee Recommends \$22,679.00

School Revenue Articles

Art. 16. To see what sum the Town will appropriate from the foundation and debt service allocations for school purposes (State recommends \$350,496.83) and to see what sum the Town will raise as the local share of the combined allocations.

School Committee Recommends \$350,496.83

Art. 17. To see what sum the Town will raise in additional local funds under the provisions of 20-A MRSA 15614.

School Committee Recommends \$187,421.17

(This will bring the amount to be raised for 04-05 to \$537, 918.)

Art. 18. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June 30, 2005, from the foundation and debt service allocations, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, local appropriations, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of the schools.

School Committee Recommends \$562,401.00

Art. 19. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from **surplus** to fund the dedicated Scholarship Account.

School Committee Recommends \$3,000.00

Art. 20. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Scholarship Fund for the purpose of providing scholarships to worthy and deserving students from the Town who graduate from Secondary School during FY 03-04; to be selected by the Selectmen on the recommendations of the School Committee.

FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
5,000	5,000	3,000	3,000	3,600

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept donations to the Arrowsic Scholarship Fund and to provide appropriate receipts thereof.

Art. 22. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from **surplus** for the printing of updated Town tax maps.

Selectmen Recommend \$2,000



THE MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dear Neighbors,

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as your State Representative in Augusta during an important time for our state. A budget shortfall, health care crisis, and systemic problems with our tax structure have presented serious challenges to our state. Citizens have rightly demanded improvement in all these areas. Though much work remains to be done, I am pleased to report that we have taken significant steps.

Last session, the Legislature was able to balance the budget without increasing taxes and without severe cuts to programs that protect our most vulnerable citizens and support our economy and jobs.

We also passed a first-in-the-nation health care plan that will make health care affordable and accessible to all Mainers within five years. Details of Dirigo Health are still being ironed out, such as the level of coverage and how much employers will be asked to contribute, should they choose to participate. What we know is that this plan will help Maine citizens and Maine small businesses afford health coverage.

The successes in tax reform have been more elusive. Many different groups have come together to develop a plan during the legislative session that will provide more education funding for local schools without forcing a major increase in state taxes to pay for it. Maine's tax system is unfair and is overdue for change.

We will continue to look for ways to preserve vital programs during lean economic times, work to implement Dirigo Health successfully, and strive to reduce the property tax burden of Maine residents.

My job in Augusta is to represent you, and so I hope you will contact me and share your opinions and suggestions with me. You can learn more about what I and other legislators have been doing by visiting the House Majority Office website: www.legislature.maine.gov/housedems. From there you can visit my webpage by clicking on "Representatives."

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,
LEILA J. PERCY

State Representative
District 51 Arrowsic, Georgetown,
Harpwell, and Phippsburg



THE MAINE SENATE

Greetings from the Statehouse:

Thank you for allowing me to represent your interests in Augusta. I am very proud to serve the people of Senate District 19 in the 121st Maine Legislature. I have been working diligently with my legislative colleagues and with our new governor, John E. Baldacci, to promote policies that will strengthen our state's economy.

I am strongly committed to policies that will encourage our young people to stay here in Maine. The only way to do that is to grow our economy and create good paying jobs. A strong, growing economy is the best way to ensure we have the tax revenues to support the services necessary to help Maine citizens who need help.

During the first regular and special sessions of the 121st Legislature, we dealt with many diverse proposals, dealing with everything from the treatment of elephants to health care and tax reform. One of the highlights of the session was the Legislature's approval of Dirigo Health. Beginning in July 2004, the State-sponsored health insurance program will provide access to coverage for individuals and small employers and their employees. Coverage of all of Maine's uninsured population is expected by 2009.

Some of the issues that will be addressed during the current Second Regular Session include additional property tax reform measures, racinos, healthcare, and, most importantly, Maine's \$200 million Medicaid shortfall, caused primarily from the large eligibility expansion of the Medicaid program. There will be much debate on ways to fix this problem, either through increasing taxes or making significant cuts in certain programs.

I am happy to be in Augusta to continue working on the issues I know you are concerned about: a tax structure that is less burdensome; a strong economy; an excellent educational system; access to affordable health care; and prescription drugs and a safety net for our most vulnerable citizens. I hope you will continue to keep me informed of your views and suggestions. Please do not hesitate to call me at my home at 442-8053 or, when the Senate is in session, at our 24-hour toll-free line at 800-423-6900.

Thank you again for the opportunity to represent you in Augusta.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR F. MAYO III
State Senator

(Art. 9, continued)	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
Meals	0	0	0	0	0
Equip., Testing	0	0	0	0	0
Training	1,000	0	1,500	400	2,300
Lost Wages	0	0	0	0	0
Medical	1,000	0	1,000	100	1,300
Comm. Eq. & Sup.	2,500	839	1,800	1,100	1,400
911 Phone	0	0	0	0	0
Special Project	0	0	0	0	0
Total	16,900	8,994	11,900	8,240	12,200
Rep, MEMA 97-98	0	0	0	0	0
Grants & Reimb.	0	0	0	0	0
Tax Commitment	16,900	13,994	11,900	8,240	12,200

Art. 10. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a contract with the City of Bath for structural fire coverage for the ensuing year.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

Art. 11. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to provide the Town with Ambulance Service for the ensuing year.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST
	4,000	1,670	4,500	2,700	4,500

Art. 12 To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for a Town Constable.

Selectmen Recommend \$500.00

School Expenditure Articles

Art. 13. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the Instruction Cost Category, which consists of the Academic Instruction and Special Education Instruction accounts.

School Committee Recommends \$525,871.00

Art. 14. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the Administration Cost Category, which consists of the Board of Education, Office of the Superintendent, and Special Services Administration accounts.

School Committee Recommends \$13,851.00

(Art. 5, continued)	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05
Fire Department Volunteers	1,500.....	0.....	0.....
Registrar of Voters	200.....	300.....	300.....
Deputy Registrar of Voters.....	100.....	0.....	0.....
Election Wardens	100.....	300.....	300.....
Election Clerks	400.....	600.....	600.....
Election Counters	\$25 200.....	300.....	300.....
	\$10 0.....	0.....	0.....
Planning Board.....	500.....	500.....	500.....
School Committee	400.....	400.....	400.....
Road Commission	500.....	500.....	500.....
Recycling/Solid Waste Committee	450.....	450.....	450.....
Zoning Board of Appeals.....	0.....	0.....	500.....
Conservation Commission.....	300.....	0.....	0.....
Totals.....	27,050.....	25,950.....	27,000.....

Art. 6. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the Town Officers' Salaries.

	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05
REQUEST	ACTUAL	REQUEST	ACTUAL
31,188	28,093	29,921	27,323
			31,131

Art. 7. To see what amount of money or value the Town will vote to accept and expend from the following grants, donations, or reim-bursements of monies or materials for FY 04-05:

Arrowsic Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary:

Recommend up to \$2,000.

Misc. contributions, donations, and reimbursements:

Recommend up to \$2,000.

Reimbursed chargeable expenses:

Recommend actual Cash Value.

Art. 8. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate for the Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund.

Selectmen Recommend \$00.00

Art. 9. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire Protection for FY 03-04.

	FY 02-03		FY 03-04		FY 04-05
	Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
Equip., Fuel	3,000	1,677	3,000	1,500	2,600
Equip., Purchases	1,500	690	1,700	2,500	1,700
Equip., Repairs	2,500	2,553	2,500	2,000	2,500
Supplies	200	2,944	200	350	200
Dues & Subs.	200	292	200	290	200

Sagadahoc County Commissioner's Report

THIS PAST YEAR has been a busy year for the County, with the successful passage of the Bond Issue question for the construction of the regional jail. The creation of the joint Jail Authority has been an interesting exercise and is the first regional jail to be built north of Virginia. The Jail Authority has a 12-member board that has a makeup of two commissioners, a sheriff, three public members, and one member per district for Sagadahoc County. Lincoln County shares the same composition for its board membership.

When the jail comes on line, it will allow the County to have control of its prison population.

This County has done a good job in administrating an alternative program, but the population for incarceration has grown beyond what the County could manage three years ago. In late October, we were notified by Kennebec County that our prisoners needed to be moved from their facility. We were able to secure space and a one-year contract with Cumberland County, with the option to renew. We hope that this will be the last of musical chairs with the prison population.

After 25 years, Barry Sturgeon retired from his position as County Clerk. Barry, for many, was *The County*, and a lot of credit needs to be given to him, for he helped bring the County forward. We appointed Stephanie Sucidlo, who served as Deputy Clerk, to the Clerk's position. When Barry retired, we appointed a five-member committee to look at the governance structure and make a recommendation as to whether the County might need to consider a County Manager or an Administrative Assistant. The committee did an in-depth look at County government and concluded that we stay with the County Clerk form of government.

This past year has been a positive year for the County, and next year will be a challenge, as we ramp up the construction of the jail. Like the municipal officers, we are sensitive about our budget and pressures to the property tax. The question of property tax continues with no clear answer. We will continue to work with the towns and other counties in hope that we can save tax dollars and perhaps find an economy of scale that works for everyone.

Sincerely,
CRISPIN CONNERY
County Commissioner

2004 Selectmen’s Report

THE SELECTMEN BEGAN THE YEAR by setting goals and assigning areas of concentration for each Selectman. It was decided that Larry would provide guidance and overall project supervision for the construction of the Little Barn on the old Frye property, adjacent to the Town Hall. Michele would attend as many Planning Board meetings as possible to keep the Selectmen up to speed on several issues that were of concern to both committees. Sukey would continue to focus on our assessing responsibilities, keeping us organized and ahead of deadlines. Sukey and Larry scheduled regular Thursday morning assessing work sessions for computer input and file maintenance.

The New Fire Department Building

The construction of the Little Barn went very smoothly, thanks to the hard work and talent of several of our townspeople. Mike Kreindler designed the building, created the specifications, and worked on coordination among the contractors. Rob Shultz solicited generous donations from local companies that allowed us to get the most out of our limited budget. He also volunteered his time and expertise, supervising the crew and solving the day-to-day construction issues. Betty Wilson managed the bid process and kept track of the budget. The result is a modest, yet elegant, building that we hope will serve the Town well for years to come.

Sewell Pond Conservation Land

The Selectmen were approached by the Conservation Commission regarding chronic overuse of the Town-owned property on Sewell Pond. There was a concern that the Town ordinance prohibiting use during the hours between dusk and dawn was being abused during the summer months, and this was leading to a degradation of the resource. We invited input from the Sheriff’s Department as to the best method for Town enforcement of the ordinance. They advised us to clarify the signage and to appoint a constable to write tickets and initiate towing. The issue will come before the Town in this year’s Warrant.

Consent Agreements

We spent time negotiating and preparing consent agreements to facilitate compliance for three ordinance violations. Consent agreements allow the Selectmen to specify terms for remediation in cases where violations cause permanent changes. The consent agreement also keeps the case from going to court for adjudication, and saves the associated fees.

School Tuition Rates

It came as quite a shock to the Board when we learned that State-mandated school tuition rates were going to increase more than estimated in our budget. Our School Committee prepares the Arrowsic school budget

Warrant for Town Meeting

Sagadahoc, ss:

To Josephine Ewing, Town Clerk for the Town of Arrowsic, County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine:

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Arrowsic, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall on Wednesday the 16th of June, A.D. 2004, at six-thirty in the evening, to act on the following articles to wit:

Elections

Art. 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To elect a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To elect by ballot, for a three-year term:
 Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor
 Surveyor of Lumber and Bark & Fence Viewer

To elect by ballot for a three-year term:
 School Committee Member

Art. 4. To elect:
 A Treasurer
 A Tax Collector
 Any other Town Officers

(Note: 03–04 “Actuals” reflect expenditures through May 1, 2004.)

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to pay the following salaries to the Town Officers:

	FY 02–03	FY 03–04	FY 04–05
Selectman Chairman.....	2,750	2,750	2,750
Selectmen (2 @ \$2,000).....	4,000	4,000	4,000
Town Clerk.....	3,000	3,000	3,000
Treasurer.....	3,000	3,000	3,000
Tax Collector.....	3,000	3,000	3,000
LEMA Director.....	100	100	100
Shellfish Conservation Comm.	500	0	500
Shellfish Warden.....	800	500	500
Codes Enforcement Officer.....	2,500	2,500	2,500
Animal Control Officer.....	500	500	500
Fire Chief.....	1,500	2,100	2,100
Assistant Fire Chief.....	750	750	1,000
Fire Dept. Captain (1 @ \$200).....	0	400	200

Summary of Warrant Articles

Article	Description	Amount Requested	Amount Voted
6	Salaries	31,131	
8	Fire Dept. Capital	0	Surplus
9	Fire Dept. Budget	12,200	
10	Structural Fire Contract (Bath)	5,000	
11	Ambulance Service (Bath)	4,500	
12	Town Constable	500	
16-17	Schools	537,918	
19	Scholarship Fund	3,000	Surplus
20	Scholarships	3,600	Scholarship
22	Tax Maps	2,000	Surplus
23	Assessor's Agent	4,000	
24	Roads	11,630	
25	Recycle	4,500	
26	Solid Waste	22,500	
27	Auditors' Report	4,400	
28	Septage	2,400	
31	Organizations	12,542	Surplus
32	Dues	1,052	
34	Contingency	6,000	
35	Annual Report	3,000	
36	Insurance	7,000	
37	Utilities	3,200	
38	Planning Board	650	
39	Board of Appeals	200	
40	Conservation Commission	250	
41	Shellfish Conservation Committee	400	
42	Emergency Management Agency	250	
43	Legal	3,000	Surplus
44	Town Hall Maintenance & Imp.	4,000	Surplus
TOTAL OF ALL TOWN WARRANTS		690,823	
County Taxes		109,147	
TOTAL		799,970	
State Revenue Sharing		25,000	
Surplus Items		24,542	
Scholarships		3,600	
Total of Above 3 lines		53,142	
Amount To Be Raised		746,828	
Previous Years		2003: 569,727	
		2002: 517,936	
		2001: 488,065	
		2000: 459,171	
		1999: 437,438	
		1998: 436,033	

based on rate estimates, because the Maine Department of Education does not set rates until four months into the academic year. This year's tuition rates varied from a low of \$5,946 per student per year in Woolwich, to a high of \$10,235 per student in Georgetown. Because the School Committee budgets an extra amount to cover the cost of any new students who may move into town, there was enough in the budget to cover the increased costs. Union 47 Superintendent, Ron Gleason, warned that this is likely not the last large increase. The Selectmen are working with the School Committee and Union 47 to determine if there are any changes to our school-choice policy that will help us better manage the budget without adversely affecting education or choice.

Rural Residential/Shoreland Zoning

The Selectmen and the Planning Board released a letter to the Town that stressed the importance of understanding the district overlays that apply to each piece of property. The Town is divided into two rural residential districts that specify minimum lot sizes and setbacks. Properties with Rural Residential District I classification can be no smaller than two acres, while Rural Residential District II properties must be at least five acres. These districts are in place to manage open space and population. Further, the Town ordinance specifies Shoreland Zoning with added resource protection on the Back River. This zoning seeks to preserve the natural environment by limiting deforestation and development in our shorelands and wetlands. As Arrowsic property values increase, there is a greater incentive to maximize property investments and both boards believed notification and clarification were prudent.

Town Property Maps

The Arrowsic property maps have not been professionally updated since 1998. Given the number of boundary changes since that time, the Selectmen are recommending that we address this job in our budget this year. We have included it in the Warrant for Town discussion and vote.

New Municipal Accounting Guidelines

There has been a change in the generally accepted accounting principles as they relate to municipal accounting. In order to receive a favorable rating from our auditors, certain changes will be necessary in the value of Town assets, the presentation of our financial statements in the Annual Report, and the method that our treasurer uses to track revenues, expenses, and depreciation. Based on discussions with Purdy Powers, our accounting firm, we are fairly confident that the changes won't be too burdensome, because of the Town's uncomplicated structure.

Town Hall Repairs and Maintenance

After seeing some photos of the interior of the Town Hall in earlier days, the Selectmen have decided that it is looking quite shabby and could use some TLC. We would also like to make it more efficient for the people

who work there. To that end, we have begun a modest repairs and maintenance plan that we hope will span several years, and make the Town Hall a more pleasant place to conduct the business of the Town.

And a Thanks To All

Finally, the Selectmen would like to express our appreciation to Town Clerk, Phine Ewing; Tax Collector, Liz Rollins; Treasurer, Paul Schlein; and all Town committee members for their hard work over this past year. With many complex and difficult issues to deal with, there was excellent communication and cooperation among the committees that helped ensure appropriate outcomes. We feel very fortunate to be part of this committed group.



The first Selectmen's Corner at the Arrowsic Artworks show: Sukey Heard and Larry Wilson displaying their work.

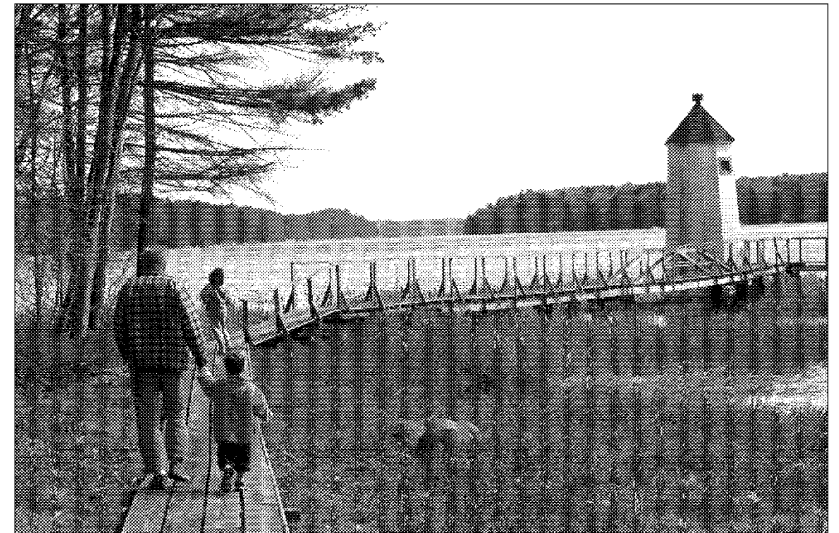
The Range Light Keepers

Preserving the Kennebec River Range Lights & Fiddler Reach Fog Signal

THERE ARE MANY REASONS to feel good about the state of Arrowsic's lighthouses this year. The Kennebec River Range Lights at Fiddler's Reach, together with the Doubling Point Light, continue to be stewarded by local groups who oversee their upkeep. Squirrel Point Light appears to be on a similar path, which is a great relief to many here in town, and in the greater lighthouse community. Hundreds of people visit our sites both by land, water, and virtually, on the Internet.

Our intrepid visitors from Kansas or Louisiana often marvel at so many lighthouses, so close together, on such a small island, reminding us not to take for granted one of the things that makes Arrowsic truly unique. We have three beautiful historic sites on the shores of the mighty Kennebec, accessible to the public 365 days per year. We have three great walking destinations with fabulous views of the river and opportunities to watch the osprey and the eagles soar above the tall pines.

The Range Light Keepers would like to thank GWI for providing webhosting at www.rlk.org, and the Town of Arrowsic for their contribution to our operating fund. In appreciation, and to encourage more of our friends and neighbors to visit the light, we are designating this September 11th as Arrowsic Day at the Range Lights. We will have both towers open and light refreshments will be served. We hope you will join us.



Excited children of the new Keeper's Residence Coast Guard family visit the lights for the first time.

Friends of the Doubling Point Light

THE PAINT AND STAIN on the walkway and tower are deteriorating and need work. The sun and moisture are very tough on the surfaces, and the increasing numbers of crows are adding to the problem. We hope that the painting will be done soon; it has been held up by bad weather.

Artist Celia Carlton donated an original oil painting to the Friends to be sold at auction. The painting of the walkway and lighthouse tower was on display at the Town Hall last year, and the silent auction was won by a very pleased Jean Kane. We thank Celia Carlton for her beautiful and generous gift.

An original watercolor of the Doubling Point Light, done in 1898 by the artist Gil, was donated to the Friends by Robert Chamberlain and his family in Oregon. This wonderful gift is especially appreciated, since the donor had no personal knowledge of our lighthouse.

We have not yet found the bell. Karen McLean says that when she and Dan move back to Maine, we hope in the near future, they will be in touch with Coast Guard personnel who were in South Portland at the time the bell



was removed. We have searched eBay and the Internet, and have been in touch with the residual owners of the Van Duzen Company and the Buckeye Bell Foundry, now the Verdin Bell Company, which manufactured the bell. They have been cooperative, but have not retained the pertinent records. We must keep

searching and remain optimistic. Please let us know if you have ideas.

We thank GWI for their continuing excellent service. For information about the history and the renovation of the Doubling Point Light, and links to other websites, visit www.doublingpoint.org.

It has been five years since we became a 501c3 tax-exempt organization. We have renewed that status with the assistance of our accountant, James Wayashe. The status is now permanent.

Perhaps because a lighthouse is a symbol of safety and security, we have continued to be able to raise the funds necessary to maintain and insure the Lighthouse. Our insurance company has expressed its concern about cost, since they have been required to insure against damage and liability from terrorism.

We have established a permanent memorial fund to remember and honor special people. We are grateful for your help and request that you continue your support. We also thank the Town of Arrowsic for its continuing support.

Taxpayers' List

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Ainsworth, Carol, Trust of	004-012	\$70,000	\$77,900	\$147,900	\$0	\$147,900	\$1,582.53
Ainsworth, Carol, Trust of	004-012-001	\$59,600	\$40,800	\$100,400	\$0	\$100,400	\$1,074.28
Ainsworth, Carol; The Trust of	004-019	\$4,300	\$0	\$4,300	\$0	\$4,300	\$46.01
Akar, Hamdi Jr.	002-006	\$193,900	\$1,400	\$195,300	\$0	\$195,300	\$2,089.71
Allen, Brian & Jane et al	003-047	\$41,500	\$17,000	\$58,500	\$0	\$58,500	\$625.95
Ames, Harold A. Jr & Sylvia	003-038	\$51,000	\$68,500	\$119,500	\$7,000	\$112,500	\$1,203.75
Appel, James M.	003-039	\$78,800	\$66,500	\$145,300	\$5,000	\$140,300	\$1,501.21
Arsenault, James E. & Holley, Lisa	005-034	\$58,500	\$104,100	\$162,600	\$5,000	\$157,600	\$1,686.32
Arsenault, M.A. & P.J.	004-007	\$51,500	\$51,300	\$102,800	\$7,000	\$95,800	\$1,025.06
Ater, Michael J.	004-002-001	\$53,500	\$86,400	\$139,900	\$0	\$139,900	\$1,496.93
Ater, Robert G.	004-044-001	\$53,800	\$87,500	\$141,300	\$5,000	\$136,300	\$1,458.41
Baker, Kenneth & Heather	006-017	\$116,400	\$99,100	\$215,500	\$0	\$215,500	\$2,305.85
Barnes, Duncan & Ann (JT)	004-055-003	\$254,300	\$282,000	\$536,300	\$0	\$536,300	\$5,738.41
Bassett, Kenneth L.	005-002-002	\$47,700	\$33,700	\$81,400	\$0	\$81,400	\$870.98
Bassett, Leroy & Deborah	005-002	\$96,700	\$67,800	\$164,500	\$5,000	\$159,500	\$1,706.65
Beaton, Donald	003-002	\$202,300	\$18,700	\$221,000	\$5,000	\$216,000	\$2,311.20
Belleville, Raymond & Carmen	002-019-005	\$136,400	\$104,200	\$240,600	\$5,000	\$235,600	\$2,520.92
Bertocci, Margaret	004-027	\$79,100	\$90,700	\$169,800	\$5,000	\$164,800	\$1,763.36
Bertocci, Margaret	004-027-002	\$8,800	\$0	\$8,800	\$0	\$8,800	\$94.16
Bertschy, Melanie	003-012	\$75,000	\$129,000	\$204,000	\$5,000	\$199,000	\$2,129.30
Beveridge, Kathryn R.	004-014-001	\$73,500	\$134,200	\$207,700	\$0	\$207,700	\$2,222.39
Biehler, Jonathan	005-011-006	\$57,300	\$86,000	\$143,300	\$0	\$143,300	\$1,533.31
Biehler, J.	005-004-007	\$51,600	\$0	\$51,600	\$0	\$51,600	\$552.12
Blallock, Jeremy	005-038	\$60,900	\$55,100	\$116,000	\$0	\$116,000	\$1,241.20
Blallock, William	004-033	\$186,900	\$75,400	\$262,300	\$2,500	\$259,800	\$2,779.86
Blake, Lorrie A.	004-056	\$44,000	\$15,700	\$59,700	\$7,000	\$52,700	\$563.89
Blanchard, Mary Louise K.	003-005	\$85,900	\$229,100	\$315,000	\$2,500	\$312,500	\$3,343.75
Bonis, Howard L. & Susan W.	004-046-002	\$66,400	\$77,300	\$143,700	\$0	\$143,700	\$1,537.59
Boyce, Barbara	004-014-003	\$72,500	\$239,800	\$312,300	\$2,500	\$309,800	\$3,314.86

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Brawn, Pamela S.	004-037	\$22,700	\$59,700	\$82,400	\$7,000	\$75,400	\$806.78
Breman, Wm & Margaret C. Trust	006-010	\$44,800	\$126,800	\$171,600	\$0	\$171,600	\$1,836.12
Breman, Wm & Margaret C. Trust	006-008	\$5,300	\$0	\$5,300	\$0	\$5,300	\$56.71
Brett, Chris	002-002	\$206,500	\$54,500	\$261,000	\$2,500	\$258,500	\$2,765.95
Bridge, Alexander & Clare M.	002-019-001	\$110,500	\$203,400	\$313,900	\$2,500	\$311,400	\$3,331.98
Briggs, Walter H. & Jane W.B.	004-014	\$142,400	\$241,200	\$383,600	\$2,500	\$381,100	\$4,077.77
Brooks, David M. & Sally A.	005-004-010	\$154,600	\$123,800	\$278,400	\$2,500	\$275,900	\$2,952.13
Brown, Michael & Louise	004-001	\$81,400	\$90,300	\$171,700	\$5,000	\$166,700	\$1,783.69
Brown, Paul	002-012	\$64,900	\$101,900	\$166,800	\$5,000	\$161,800	\$1,731.26
Brunner, Kathleen D.	005-023	\$53,900	\$120,800	\$174,700	\$5,000	\$169,700	\$1,815.79
Bryant, Donald A. & Barbara	006-001-006	\$122,500	\$139,900	\$262,400	\$2,500	\$259,900	\$2,780.93
Burdick, Michael	005-043-000-01	\$0	\$26,500	\$26,500	\$0	\$26,500	\$283.55
Burke, John and Joanne	005-004-024	\$74,700	\$113,400	\$188,100	\$5,000	\$183,100	\$1,959.17
Campbell, Sherman & Elizabeth	004-030-001	\$90,100	\$196,100	\$286,200	\$2,500	\$283,700	\$3,035.59
Carey, Antonio W. & Julie A.	005-032	\$47,900	\$83,300	\$131,200	\$5,000	\$126,200	\$1,350.34
Carleton, C. Edward	005-024	\$50,900	\$30,500	\$81,400	\$0	\$81,400	\$870.98
Carlton Dale M.	004-051	\$50,200	\$109,900	\$160,100	\$5,000	\$155,100	\$1,659.57
Carlton, Ann M. & Dale M. (JT)	004-050-005	\$68,200	\$0	\$68,200	\$0	\$68,200	\$729.74
Carlton, Celia	005-016	\$34,600	\$22,300	\$56,900	\$7,000	\$49,900	\$533.93
Carlton, Celia	005-017	\$1,400	\$0	\$1,400	\$0	\$1,400	\$14.98
Carlton, Celia	005-025	\$114,200	\$0	\$114,200	\$0	\$114,200	\$1,221.94
Carter, John S. & Karin B.	004-029-003	\$49,300	\$0	\$49,300	\$0	\$49,300	\$527.51
Cassell, Ann L. & Michael	004-058	\$75,700	\$11,700	\$87,400	\$0	\$87,400	\$935.18
Caton Robert E.	006-009	\$22,700	\$31,800	\$54,500	\$0	\$54,500	\$583.15
Central Maine Power	005-035	\$314,500	\$0	\$314,500	\$0	\$314,500	\$3,365.15
Cerrone, Julie W.	003-003	\$203,100	\$80,500	\$283,600	\$2,500	\$281,100	\$3,007.77
Ceruti, Theresa	004-030	\$153,300	\$114,600	\$267,900	\$0	\$267,900	\$2,866.53
Chaiffee, John & Barbara	004-008	\$52,500	\$56,500	\$109,000	\$12,000	\$97,000	\$1,037.90
Chapin, E Barton III	002-013	\$96,200	\$136,300	\$232,500	\$5,000	\$227,500	\$2,434.25
Coleman, Gene &	005-004-020	\$73,700	\$76,100	\$149,800	\$5,000	\$144,800	\$1,549.36
Collier, David M. & Susan J.	005-004-023	\$77,900	\$140,600	\$218,500	\$5,000	\$213,500	\$2,284.45
Conner, Patr. & Fatscher Ruth Ann	005-004-012	\$153,600	\$168,900	\$322,500	\$2,500	\$320,000	\$3,424.00
Cossart, Ed & Molly	005-004-011	\$153,600	\$141,200	\$294,800	\$2,500	\$292,300	\$3,127.61

Citizens for Squirrel Point Report

CITIZENS FOR SQUIRREL POINT (CSP) was formed in April 2003 to ensure that Squirrel Point Light is used and maintained in accordance with the terms of federal law, state law, local law, and the covenants in its 1998 deed from the U.S. government to preserve the lighthouse property for the public benefit.

Thanks to pro bono work by Chris Neagle, Jacqueline Rider, and Scott Boak, attorneys at Verrill & Dana of Portland, CSP filed suit in federal court last fall with the goal of reverting the deed to Squirrel Point to the government, so that it may be reallocated to a qualified nonprofit organization committed to appropriate use and preservation of the property. A parallel suit has now been filed by the U.S. Attorney's office, seeking the same end. The case is scheduled to be ready for trial by August, 2004, with the support of over a hundred Arrowsic and area residents, other nonprofit lighthouse organizations, the State Historic Preservation Office, Maine Preservation, the Sagadahoc Preservation Society, the Island Institute, the Chewonki Foundation, and other conservation groups.

Together with Seguin, Perkins Island, Doubling Point, and the Range Lights, Squirrel Point Light is a frequently visited landmark and an important part of the Kennebec's maritime history. This year, CSP has been joined in concern about its future by contacts as far flung as Ohio schoolchildren doing a project, previous visitors to the light from as far away as Bangladesh, a University of Chicago doctoral candidate writing a dissertation on historic preservation issues, and the family of the last active lighthouse keeper.

In addition to those of us who are privileged to live near Squirrel Point and its incredible setting in the five hundred acres of conservation land at the end of Bald Head Road, visiting Squirrel Point has been a memorable experience for many generations of visitors to Maine. We hope to preserve that experience for future generations.

CSP's Annual Membership Meeting will be held in July, and is open to CSP members and others who wish to join. CSP's Board of Directors are: Brian Detwiler, Roger Heard, Tim Harrison (American Lighthouse Foundation), Lee Johnson, Fred Kahrl, Will Neilson, and Nancy Sferra.

Town Property Management Committee Report

DURING THE PAST YEAR, the Town Property Management Committee continued to meet on a regular basis to oversee and manage the use, maintenance, and improvement of all Town property, as it has since its creation six years ago.

Much of the Committee's energy over the past year was devoted to overseeing the construction of a building to house the Fire Department's brush truck, as approved at last year's Town Meeting. We are pleased to report that, thanks to the fine efforts of several volunteers, a perfectly functional and attractive building has been erected for this purpose on Town property, adjacent to the Town Hall. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following citizens of Arrowsic for their excellent work: Dick Elwell, Michael Kreindler, and Rob Shultz.

Other matters to occupy the Committee this year included developing plans to run a septic line from the Town Hall to the septic tank on the Little Barn property (thereby doing away with the holding tank at the Town Hall). The Committee also continued in its ongoing effort to solicit the services of volunteers with various maintenance-related tasks in and around the Town Hall, finding a number of willing and able volunteers among the retired men of Arrowsic.

Respectfully submitted,
 JIM ARSENAULT, Co-chairman
 BOB ATER, Co-chairman
 MILLY STAFFORD
 GEORGE STAFFORD
 BETTY WILSON

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Crabtree, Christian & Kathleen	002-019-002	\$59,900	\$89,400	\$149,300	\$0	\$149,300	\$1,597.51
Cunningham, Paul & Lynn	004-053-003	\$154,300	\$152,900	\$307,200	\$2,500	\$304,700	\$3,260.29
Damon, Craig & Leslie	004-053	\$124,900	\$0	\$124,900	\$0	\$124,900	\$1,336.43
Davis, James F.	004-035	\$102,600	\$55,800	\$158,400	\$0	\$158,400	\$1,694.88
Davis, Sheldon K. & Nancy	003-005-001	\$84,800	\$80,900	\$165,700	\$5,000	\$160,700	\$1,719.49
Demers, Thomas	004-050-008	\$70,700	\$84,600	\$155,300	\$5,000	\$150,300	\$1,608.21
Detweiler, Brian W. & Lyn C. (JT)	003-005-002	\$86,100	\$98,300	\$184,400	\$5,000	\$179,400	\$1,919.58
Dolan, James & Deborah	001-001	\$65,600	\$7,500	\$73,100	\$0	\$73,100	\$782.17
Downs, Georgia K.	004-029	\$157,000	\$102,800	\$259,800	\$2,500	\$257,300	\$2,753.11
Drake, Sally P.	005-011-001	\$61,200	\$74,500	\$135,700	\$5,000	\$130,700	\$1,398.49
Dresser, Arthur E. & Carol H.	003-037	\$54,100	\$122,900	\$177,000	\$5,000	\$172,000	\$1,840.40
Dube, Michael	005-005	\$164,000	\$0	\$164,000	\$0	\$164,000	\$1,754.80
Dunn, Floyd L. & Sally	003-027-001	\$70,100	\$48,200	\$118,300	\$7,000	\$111,300	\$1,190.91
Dunn, Floyd L. Jr.	003-027-004	\$1,800	\$0	\$1,800	\$0	\$1,800	\$19.26
Dunn, Floyd L. Sr.	003-027-003	\$54,500	\$0	\$54,500	\$0	\$54,500	\$583.15
Dunn, Floyd L. Sr. & Durell, David	003-027	\$68,300	\$75,000	\$143,300	\$5,000	\$138,300	\$1,479.81
Durell, David	005-009	\$17,700	\$29,700	\$47,400	\$7,000	\$40,400	\$432.28
Edwards, Marllys & Modeste, Leon	002-011	\$184,300	\$0	\$184,300	\$0	\$184,300	\$1,972.01
Elkin, Susan	006-019	\$143,000	\$160,500	\$303,500	\$0	\$303,500	\$3,247.45
Elwell, Allen L. & Maryanne	004-023-001	\$40,700	\$97,900	\$138,600	\$0	\$138,600	\$1,483.02
Elwell, Frederick & Kim	006-023	\$54,200	\$53,000	\$107,200	\$7,000	\$100,200	\$1,072.14
Elwell, Julie Ann & Roy, Sharon	003-024-002	\$66,400	\$58,700	\$125,100	\$5,000	\$120,100	\$1,285.07
Elwell, Richard	004-023	\$65,000	\$0	\$65,000	\$0	\$65,000	\$695.50
Elwell, Richard	005-003	\$56,500	\$76,700	\$133,200	\$5,000	\$128,200	\$1,371.74
Elwell, Richard	003-032	\$42,600	\$18,400	\$60,900	\$0	\$60,900	\$651.63
Elwell, Robert A.	003-024	\$106,600	\$138,700	\$245,300	\$5,000	\$240,300	\$2,571.21
Elwell, Robert A.	003-024-001	\$59,200	\$48,100	\$107,300	\$0	\$107,300	\$1,148.11
Elwell, Ronald	003-025	\$48,200	\$78,800	\$127,000	\$0	\$127,000	\$1,358.90
Elwell, Ronald C. & Susan D.	003-023	\$70,700	\$105,200	\$175,900	\$5,000	\$170,900	\$1,828.63
Favro, Philip C. & Joan M.	000-052	\$33,700	\$72,600	\$106,300	\$0	\$106,300	\$1,137.41
Fitzherbert, David A. & Melody	004-039	\$33,400	\$24,900	\$58,300	\$7,000	\$51,300	\$548.91
Fleming, Lora E., et al	004-055-004	\$230,100	\$105,500	\$335,600	\$0	\$335,600	\$3,590.92
Forstleff Trust	003-028	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$32.10

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Forsleff, Louise S.	003-035	\$80,500	\$66,000	\$146,500	\$10,000	\$136,500	\$1,460.55
Foster, David R. & Prudence E.	005-004-019	\$72,200	\$106,900	\$179,100	\$10,000	\$169,100	\$1,809.37
Frahm, Shirley	006-003	\$30,000	\$65,300	\$95,300	\$7,000	\$88,300	\$944.81
Futter, Margaret	005-042	\$120,800	\$0	\$120,800	\$0	\$120,800	\$1,292.56
Galuzza, James J. & Andrea L.	002-019-004-01	\$35,700	\$0	\$35,700	\$0	\$35,700	\$381.99
Galuzza, James J. & Andrea L.	002-019-003	\$68,900	\$144,500	\$213,400	\$5,000	\$208,400	\$2,229.88
Gamble, Lincoln	002-016-001	\$195,400	\$127,800	\$323,200	\$0	\$323,200	\$3,458.24
Gamble, Lincoln	003-045	\$4,700	\$0	\$4,700	\$0	\$4,700	\$50.29
Gamble, Richard & Francis P.	004-059	\$169,200	\$0	\$169,200	\$0	\$169,200	\$1,810.44
Gear, Bud S.	006-001-005	\$138,200	\$0	\$138,200	\$0	\$138,200	\$1,478.74
Geiger, Mark C. & Jennifer L.	004-042	\$54,700	\$106,600	\$161,300	\$5,000	\$156,300	\$1,672.41
Giberson, Debra	005-004-025	\$73,000	\$136,500	\$209,500	\$5,000	\$204,500	\$2,188.15
Giles, Samuel D. & Dorothy J.	004-050-001	\$51,100	\$110,100	\$161,200	\$7,000	\$156,200	\$1,671.34
Gill, Deborah S.	006-002	\$34,300	\$53,600	\$87,900	\$7,000	\$80,900	\$865.63
Gilliam, Gretchen	005-011-007	\$67,600	\$145,700	\$213,300	\$5,000	\$208,300	\$2,228.81
Gilliam, Gretchen	005-011-004	\$48,900	\$0	\$48,900	\$0	\$48,900	\$523.23
Ginn, Adah, Trustee	005-007	\$69,800	\$0	\$69,800	\$0	\$69,800	\$746.86
Goodwin, Peter	004-030-003	\$153,600	\$147,500	\$301,100	\$2,500	\$298,600	\$3,195.02
Gowell, Randall	003-010	\$77,300	\$97,000	\$174,300	\$5,000	\$169,300	\$1,811.51
Gowell, Randall R.	003-009	\$62,200	\$0	\$62,200	\$0	\$62,200	\$665.54
Gowen, Lillian	006-011	\$29,300	\$32,000	\$61,300	\$12,000	\$49,300	\$527.51
Grill, Christopher J.	002-009	\$195,800	\$125,000	\$320,800	\$0	\$320,800	\$3,432.56
Grunthaler, George H Jr., Liv Trust	002-017-003	\$208,000	\$125,900	\$333,900	\$0	\$333,900	\$3,572.73
Guckenburg, Gregory V. & Mary L.	005-004-022	\$79,900	\$119,400	\$199,300	\$5,000	\$194,300	\$2,079.01
Gunston, Kenneth A. & Suzanne	006-001-002	\$122,500	\$141,600	\$264,100	\$2,500	\$261,600	\$2,799.12
Halica, John	003-004-001	\$70,100	\$104,400	\$174,500	\$5,000	\$169,500	\$1,813.65
Hanson, June Andrea	004-029-001	\$167,100	\$239,400	\$406,500	\$7,500	\$399,000	\$4,269.30
Harcourt, Patricia L.	005-001	\$29,800	\$8,800	\$38,600	\$0	\$38,600	\$413.02
Harkins, Timothy III & Eileen	004-047	\$60,700	\$107,600	\$168,300	\$5,000	\$163,300	\$1,747.31
Harper, Mark & Debra	004-053-002	\$73,500	\$83,400	\$156,900	\$0	\$156,900	\$1,678.83
Harrington, Edwin Jr.	005-027-002	\$33,900	\$5,000	\$38,900	\$0	\$38,900	\$416.23
Heard, Roger B. & Suzannah B.	004-057-001	\$118,600	\$142,200	\$260,800	\$2,500	\$258,300	\$2,763.81
Heath, Ralph & Paule, Suzanne	004-050-010	\$70,700	\$34,800	\$105,500	\$7,000	\$98,500	\$1,053.95

Road Commission Report

THE COMMISSION INITIATED a more concerted upgrade effort on the Bald Head Road this past year. Poor weather limited the extent of the work, but Dick Elwell and his crew began ditch work and building the road base. This upgrade work will continue this spring with additional ditch work, some culvert installation and replacement, and continued application of surface gravel. By the time of the annual Town Meeting, that work should be complete. Of course, yearly upgrade of the Bald Head Road will continue in the upcoming year, as it has in the past.

The Commission intends to return to its paving schedule in 2004. We are, in early April, in the process of discussing options and costs with H. C. Crooker & Sons. The intent is to continue paving the Old Stage Road from the south end.

Dick Elwell finished his third and final year in the current snowplow contract. This last winter was not a particularly difficult one in regard to snowplowing but, as usual, Dick and his crew did an outstanding job. For personal reasons, Dick is currently considering whether he will continue to plow Arrowsic's roads. Because Dick has such a strong commitment to the Town roads, I am sure it will be difficult for him to give up the snowplowing. And, of course, the Commission is trying our best to make it as difficult as possible. By the time of the annual Town Meeting, we should be able to convey to the Town the status of the snowplowing.

The general maintenance effort this past year included the typical maintenance program, including roadside mowing, brush cutting, some drainage work, pothole repair, and road sign replacement. As in the past, Dick Elwell has done this maintenance work. And a note of thanks to John McLuer, who has been providing the Town with replacement road signs. The Commission will continue this work in the upcoming year.

The frenetic pace of the E911 address work slowed considerably this past year. Perhaps we have that process under control. A reminder to all residents that you need to keep the Town informed of any change that may affect the E911 Address List, e.g., change of ownership, new driveway location, etc.

For the Road Commission,
JIM STUMP

Local Emergency Management Agency

BILL SCHUMAKER, after having successfully chaired LEMA for the past several years, has decided to step down. The Town thanks him for his contribution. The Selectmen have appointed Greg Guckenburg as the new LEMA chair.

General Assistance

IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004, THE TOWN PROVIDED financial assistance to one local family at a cost of \$350.38.

Respectfully submitted,
 MICHELE GAILLARD
 Selectman and
 General Assistance Director



Getting ready for the Halloween Party at the Town Hall.

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Hendrie, Nancy & Jones, Judith	003-036-001	\$147,000	\$107,000	\$254,000	\$2,500	\$251,500	\$2,691.05
Heselton, Carolyn A.	003-046	\$25,000	\$10,700	\$35,700	\$0	\$35,700	\$381.99
Hewlett, Herbert R. & Lois M. (JT)	005-004-004	\$76,700	\$112,100	\$188,800	\$5,000	\$183,800	\$1,966.66
Higgins, Richard A. & Alice T.	005-011	\$147,600	\$116,700	\$264,300	\$2,500	\$261,800	\$2,801.26
Higginson, Chake K. & Peyton	003-048	\$27,700	\$4,600	\$32,300	\$0	\$32,300	\$345.61
Hight, Richard & Julie	003-049	\$44,000	\$8,000	\$52,000	\$0	\$52,000	\$556.40
Hight, Richard & Julie	003-030	\$60,500	\$49,800	\$110,300	\$0	\$110,300	\$1,180.21
Hight, Richard P. & Janice R.	003-050	\$15,700	\$12,600	\$28,300	\$0	\$28,300	\$302.81
Hilton, Wanda B.	005-026	\$47,600	\$41,600	\$89,200	\$7,000	\$82,200	\$879.54
Hinds, John F. & Holly M.	005-028	\$62,000	\$78,600	\$140,600	\$5,000	\$135,600	\$1,450.92
Hobbs, Jeffrey R.	003-017	\$236,500	\$2,300	\$238,800	\$0	\$238,800	\$2,555.16
Holland, Raymond	003-001	\$204,800	\$127,400	\$332,200	\$0	\$332,200	\$3,554.54
Hudson, Donald & Ewing, Josephine	003-031-001	\$148,800	\$146,800	\$295,600	\$2,500	\$293,100	\$3,136.17
Hudson, Donald & Ewing, Josephine	003-031-004	\$92,100	\$0	\$92,100	\$0	\$92,100	\$985.47
Husson, Lefty	006-021	\$100,300	\$65,300	\$165,600	\$0	\$165,600	\$1,771.92
Jenkins Family Trust	004-003	\$47,700	\$0	\$47,700	\$0	\$47,700	\$510.39
Jenkins Family Trust	004-044	\$52,500	\$38,900	\$91,400	\$0	\$91,400	\$977.98
Jenkins, Joseph A.	004-044-02	\$53,500	\$88,900	\$142,400	\$0	\$142,400	\$1,523.68
Johnson, Lee	002-003	\$209,000	\$125,400	\$334,400	\$2,500	\$331,900	\$3,551.33
Johnson, Robert A. Liv. Trust	004-028	\$156,200	\$127,600	\$283,800	\$0	\$283,800	\$3,036.66
Jones, Daniel & Annmarie	003-011	\$79,200	\$81,900	\$161,100	\$0	\$161,100	\$1,723.77
Jorgensen, Claire	005-008	\$266,300	\$148,300	\$414,600	\$0	\$414,600	\$4,436.22
Jorgensen, Claire	005-007-001	\$92,700	\$0	\$92,700	\$0	\$92,700	\$991.89
Jorgensen, Claire Duffe et al.	005-022	\$250,800	\$0	\$250,800	\$0	\$250,800	\$2,683.56
Kahrl, Julia G.	003-018	\$52,600	\$0	\$52,600	\$0	\$52,600	\$562.82
Kahrl, Julia G.	002-016	\$833,100	\$0	\$833,100	\$0	\$833,100	\$8,914.17
Kahrl, Julia G.	003-026	\$6,900	\$0	\$6,900	\$0	\$6,900	\$73.83
Kahrl, Julia G.	003-056	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$2.14
Kahrl, Julia G. et al.	003-022	\$225,600	\$136,400	\$362,000	\$0	\$362,000	\$3,873.40
Kahrl, Julia G., c/o Wm. Perkins	003-020	\$183,500	\$0	\$183,500	\$0	\$183,500	\$1,963.45
Kahrl, Julia G., c/o Wm. Perkins	003-019-001	\$78,800	\$0	\$78,800	\$0	\$78,800	\$843.16
Kahrl, Thomas	003-006	\$3,600	\$0	\$3,600	\$0	\$3,600	\$38.52
Kahrl, Thomas Jr. & Marguerite	002-016-002	\$146,700	\$48,900	\$195,600	\$0	\$195,600	\$2,092.92

Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary Report

Officers

President: Judith Kenney
Vice President: Nancy Brown Stump
Secretary: Mildred Stafford
Treasurer: Ethel Loveitt

THE LADIES AUXILIARY meets the second Thursday of each month, April through January, at 7:00 P.M., at the Town Hall. The Auxiliary is always open to new members, and all are welcome to attend the meetings. We encourage ladies, especially those from Arrowsic, to come to the meetings and see what we are all about.

Purpose

The purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary is, and always has been, to stand behind The Fire Department and to help them, upon their request, whenever and however we are able.

Purchases

There have been no requests for any new purchases for the Fire Department at this time.

Fundraisers

As in previous years, a fundraising lobster raffle was held. On August 24, 2003, 18 lobsters were raffled in two drawings, one for 12 lobsters, and another for six. Denise Miller, of Anchorage, Alaska, was the lucky winner of the 12 lobsters, and Marnie Kalkstein, of Arrowsic, won the second drawing for the six.

The Ladies Auxiliary also held a raffle for a braided rug. The rug was handmade and donated by Leila Carlton, who is a member of the Auxiliary. The winner of the rug was Sylvia Katz of Bath. The Ladies Auxiliary would again like to thank all who purchased tickets for these raffles. These were two of the fundraisers that the Auxiliary had this year in our continuing support to raise money for the Arrowsic Fire Department.

Support

As always, the Ladies Auxiliary continues to provide support and any help, that we are able to do, for the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted
JUDITH KENNEY
President

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Kalkstein, Paul & Marion	004-026	\$134,000	\$119,900	\$253,900	\$0	\$253,900	\$2,716.73
Kalkstein, Paul & Marion	004-029-002	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000	\$85.60
Kane, Joseph A. Jr. & Jean R.	006-001-001	\$120,600	\$121,400	\$242,000	\$10,000	\$232,000	\$2,482.40
Kates, Diana Trustee	002-017-002	\$211,100	\$189,000	\$400,100	\$0	\$400,100	\$4,281.07
Kicken, Rudolf H.	004-055-002	\$253,000	\$200,300	\$453,300	\$0	\$453,300	\$4,850.31
Kicken, Rudolf H.	004-055-005	\$172,900	\$0	\$172,900	\$0	\$172,900	\$1,850.03
Kicken, Rudolf H.	004-055-006	\$108,100	\$0	\$108,100	\$0	\$108,100	\$1,156.67
Kidd, Mark R. & Nancy L.	004-050-009	\$70,800	\$71,000	\$141,800	\$5,000	\$136,800	\$1,463.76
Kimball, Duggan A. & Susan C.	002-019-007	\$115,000	\$151,400	\$266,400	\$2,500	\$263,900	\$2,823.73
King, Jeffrey H.	001-004	\$49,000	\$0	\$49,000	\$0	\$49,000	\$524.30
King, Stanley & Kathy	006-001-003	\$123,700	\$44,400	\$168,100	\$5,000	\$163,100	\$1,745.17
Kingsbury, Richard & Beverly	005-012	\$156,500	\$0	\$156,500	\$0	\$156,500	\$1,674.55
Kingsbury, Richard & Beverly	006-016	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$1.07
Kingsbury, Richard & Beverly	006-020	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$1.07
Kingsbury, Richard & Beverly	006-004	\$41,000	\$50,200	\$91,200	\$12,000	\$79,200	\$847.44
Klein, Peter	001-002	\$17,200	\$0	\$17,200	\$0	\$17,200	\$184.04
Knight, Michael & Bonnie	005-047	\$152,600	\$12,900	\$165,500	\$0	\$165,500	\$1,770.85
Knight, Mildred E.	006-012	\$25,800	\$49,600	\$75,400	\$7,000	\$68,400	\$731.88
Kuowles, Robert L. & Eugenie	005-011-005	\$44,700	\$116,600	\$161,300	\$5,000	\$156,300	\$1,672.41
Kramer, Kenneth D.	002-019-009	\$42,300	\$0	\$42,300	\$0	\$42,300	\$452.61
Kramer, Kenneth D.	002-007	\$217,600	\$12,700	\$230,300	\$0	\$230,300	\$2,464.21
Kramer, Kenneth D.	002-019-008	\$72,100	\$0	\$72,100	\$0	\$72,100	\$771.47
Kreindler, Michael & Michele	004-024	\$185,900	\$162,600	\$348,500	\$2,500	\$346,000	\$3,702.20
Law, Donald	004-057-003	\$55,400	\$4,600	\$60,000	\$7,000	\$53,000	\$567.10
Lawrence, Rachel	006-007	\$30,800	\$33,600	\$64,400	\$7,000	\$57,400	\$614.18
Lebrun, Leonard A.	004-050-011	\$60,400	\$78,500	\$138,900	\$5,000	\$133,900	\$1,432.73
Levesque, Clarence & Rebecca	004-040	\$39,100	\$63,500	\$102,600	\$7,000	\$95,600	\$1,022.92
Loveitt, Wilbur	005-015	\$48,200	\$46,400	\$94,600	\$12,000	\$82,600	\$883.82
Lyden, David J.	006-014	\$41,800	\$43,400	\$85,200	\$7,000	\$78,200	\$836.74
MacDonald, Edward & Angela	005-045	\$106,900	\$0	\$106,900	\$0	\$106,900	\$1,143.83
MacKenzie, Mary Ann	004-045	\$47,200	\$74,400	\$121,600	\$0	\$121,600	\$1,301.12
MacLeod, Jessi Ruth, Rev. Trust.	005-004-005	\$71,500	\$97,400	\$168,900	\$5,000	\$163,900	\$1,753.73
MacMahon, Joseph V. & Norma J. TC.	004-048	\$51,500	\$71,100	\$122,600	\$7,000	\$115,600	\$1,236.92

Volunteer Fire Department Report

YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT has had about 85 hours of training this year. We have been busy training on water supply, woods fires, and car fires. Our training schedule is the second and fourth Saturdays of every month, and also on weeknights, when possible.

This year we have seen a lot of Mutual Aid runs to Georgetown and Woolwich. We have had about 36 calls in our own town, with fire, medical, and car accidents. As I am writing my report, we just got back from our first woods fire on Arrowsic Road. About three-quarters of an acre was burned; our crew did a great job, and their training showed. They are getting better every year.

We have added new radios this year from a grant. We will also have a chance for more grant money this year. We have a new Assistant Chief this year: his name is George Mead, and he has about 12 years in the fire service. He is also a Maine State E.M.T, and he has been doing a great job for the Department.

I want to say thanks to all of you for our new fire barn, built to hold the brush truck and tools—it is great to have all the trucks undercover. Also, a thank you to all the people who worked so hard and donated their time and materials to this project. Again, thank you all.

We also have a new E.M.T, Katie Kirk, that will respond to calls for us. Welcome aboard! Kevin and Sharon Kirk will be running with us as well, when they can.

Last, but not least, I want to say thank you to everyone else for your support. Without it we would be nowhere and unable to run the Fire Department. So thank you all in the town. I am looking forward to continuing to serve as your Fire Chief.

Thank you,
IKE HEFFRON
Fire Chief

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Maley, Kenneth D. & Dorothy L.	004-050-004	\$52,100	\$69,600	\$121,700	\$7,000	\$114,700	\$1,227.29
Mallett, David L.	003-004	\$87,200	\$129,000	\$216,200	\$0	\$216,200	\$2,313.34
Mann, Jeffrey & Laurie J.	004-050-006	\$93,700	\$59,400	\$153,100	\$5,000	\$148,100	\$1,584.67
Marrin, James J. & Marcella J.	003-041	\$94,600	\$85,800	\$180,400	\$0	\$180,400	\$1,930.28
Martin, M.T. & A.J. (JT)	003-012-001	\$72,800	\$155,800	\$228,600	\$5,000	\$223,600	\$2,392.52
McCarty, John Jr.	004-034	\$30,800	\$0	\$30,800	\$0	\$30,800	\$329.56
McCarty, John Jr.	005-039	\$67,900	\$0	\$67,900	\$0	\$67,900	\$726.53
McCarty, John Jr.	005-048	\$900	\$0	\$900	\$0	\$900	\$9.63
McClead, Seth A.	005-004-001	\$96,000	\$72,400	\$168,400	\$0	\$168,400	\$1,801.88
McDonald, Franklyn	005-006	\$60,700	\$39,800	\$100,500	\$12,000	\$88,500	\$946.95
McGowan, Bonnie W.	004-030-002	\$158,700	\$105,200	\$263,900	\$2,500	\$261,400	\$2,796.98
McLaughlin, John & Wells, Craik	002-017-001	\$207,000	\$144,400	\$351,400	\$0	\$351,400	\$3,759.98
McLean, Daniel & Karen	004-027-001	\$48,300	\$0	\$48,300	\$0	\$48,300	\$516.81
McLean, Rosamond	004-050-003	\$49,500	\$77,300	\$126,800	\$5,000	\$121,800	\$1,303.26
McLuer, John & Pauline	005-004-008	\$71,100	\$92,900	\$164,000	\$5,000	\$159,000	\$1,701.30
Mead, Emma L.	003-054	\$8,200	\$0	\$8,200	\$0	\$8,200	\$87.74
Miller, Allen Laird	002-004	\$206,100	\$167,000	\$373,100	\$2,500	\$370,600	\$3,965.42
Miller, Elaine B.	006-001-004	\$121,300	\$157,700	\$279,000	\$2,500	\$276,500	\$2,958.55
Mitchell, Robert D. & Cathryn L.	006-013	\$42,800	\$70,300	\$113,100	\$7,000	\$106,100	\$1,135.27
Moore, George	004-038	\$49,500	\$16,900	\$66,400	\$7,000	\$59,400	\$635.58
Mount, Pamela	004-050	\$63,500	\$60,600	\$124,100	\$7,000	\$117,100	\$1,252.97
Nature Conservancy/Pine Tree Sta	001-005-001	\$595,700	\$0	\$595,700	\$595,700	\$0	\$0.00
Neilson, William L. & Pia B. (JT)	004-055	\$253,400	\$235,100	\$488,500	\$2,500	\$486,000	\$5,200.20
Nelson, Robert H.	006-001-007	\$128,700	\$112,200	\$240,900	\$5,000	\$235,900	\$2,524.13
Nelson, Robert H.	006-001-07a	\$0	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$0	\$13,000	\$139.10
Newcomb, Marcia P. Rev. Trust	006-018	\$73,000	\$109,800	\$182,800	\$5,000	\$177,800	\$1,902.46
Nodine, Annie	003-036	\$143,500	\$97,600	\$241,100	\$5,000	\$236,100	\$2,526.27
Olds, Patricia A.	003-031-003	\$67,800	\$77,600	\$145,400	\$5,000	\$140,400	\$1,502.28
O'Leary, June F. & Robert W.	004-002	\$55,500	\$86,100	\$141,600	\$5,000	\$136,600	\$1,461.62
O'Neil, Dennis & Kim	004-010	\$47,700	\$74,300	\$122,000	\$0	\$122,000	\$1,305.40
Packard, Phillip E.	003-044	\$64,600	\$59,500	\$124,100	\$7,000	\$117,100	\$1,252.97
Packard, Phillip E.	003-044-001	\$83,000	\$0	\$83,000	\$0	\$83,000	\$888.10
Page, Robert B.	002-019-006	\$81,000	\$118,100	\$199,100	\$0	\$199,100	\$2,130.37

Recycling/Solid Waste Committee Report

EACH PASSING YEAR brings new evidence that humans are putting significant stress on the environment with the quantity of waste we produce and often recklessly dispose of. Arrowsic is a case in point. Two years ago we produced 176.8 tons of solid waste, of which 39.5 tons were recycled. This past year we produced 200.6 tons of solid waste, of which 39.4 tons were recycled. We clearly could do better on the recycling.

In addition to filling up the landfill more rapidly (Bath estimates that the landfill will be filled and closed within the next 10 years), we are spending more than we need to in order to dispose of our waste. We currently spend approximately twice as much to dispose of a ton of trash as to dispose of a ton of recycled items. These costs are sure to rise annually in the future. The most underutilized disposal option is the mixed paper bin at the Town Hall, with only 3.1 tons collected during 2003. Doubling that amount is a worthy goal for the next year. To help citizens achieve this goal, the April *Arrowsic Arrow* contained a summary of the recycling options available on a convenient, single sheet, to save and refer to when questions arise.

This year we have also added aluminum to the recycle list. Recycling aluminum conserves large quantities of water and energy when compared with initial production. There is not a lot of aluminum in the waste stream, but it adds up if many families participate.

Arrowsic residents participated in the regional Household Hazardous Waste collection in April with neighboring towns. We will continue to offer this option whenever possible. Also members of the Committee have been meeting with our counterparts from neighboring towns to explore the possibility of establishing more regional programs for waste disposal.

Plans are underway to hold a "Swap Meet" on July 10, as there is much truth in "One man's trash is another man's treasure."

We will continue to explore options to increase the variety of items suitable for recycling, in order to decrease the volume entering the waste stream. In the coming year, we will be looking at other options to present to the Town, such as "pay as you throw" systems and centralized recycling, versus curbside pickup, to achieve cost savings, where possible.

The Recycling/Solid Waste Committee
 JOHN HINDS
 JUDY JONES
 JEFF MANN
 ROZ MCLEAN

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Palmer, Lori & Craig	006-001-009	\$64,800	\$286,600	\$351,400	\$0	\$351,400	\$3,759.98
Paradis, Raymond R. & Aime P.	005-004-015	\$74,600	\$208,600	\$283,200	\$2,500	\$280,700	\$3,003.49
Parsley, Priscilla A.	005-044	\$165,100	\$7,000	\$172,100	\$0	\$172,100	\$1,841.47
Parson, Lea C.	002-005	\$204,900	\$75,100	\$280,000	\$0	\$280,000	\$2,996.00
Patzlaff, Gary H. & Nancy J.	005-011-008	\$60,200	\$44,800	\$105,000	\$7,000	\$98,000	\$1,048.60
Pelletier, R. & Pelletier-Walsh, L.	003-031	\$110,900	\$79,000	\$189,900	\$10,000	\$179,900	\$1,924.93
Peters, Jeffrey	005-004-009	\$134,400	\$0	\$134,400	\$0	\$134,400	\$1,438.08
Petroski, Henry & Catherine (JT)	004-016-001	\$154,000	\$114,500	\$268,500	\$0	\$268,500	\$2,872.95
Phinney, William T.	004-011	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$1.07
Pieh, Jerome & Lucy	004-017	\$4,500	\$107,000	\$262,600	\$2,500	\$260,100	\$2,783.07
Pinette, Alfred & Gloris	004-054	\$45,100	\$10,500	\$55,600	\$0	\$55,600	\$594.92
Pinette, James	003-030-001	\$59,900	\$22,900	\$82,800	\$7,000	\$75,800	\$811.06
Pinkham, Roger	003-007	\$200,300	\$32,000	\$232,300	\$0	\$232,300	\$2,485.61
Puff, David M. & Kathleen S.	004-053-001	\$147,200	\$102,100	\$249,300	\$5,000	\$244,300	\$2,614.01
Rancourt, Peter J. & Wendy M. (JT)	004-036	\$8,600	\$0	\$8,600	\$0	\$8,600	\$92.02
Rancourt, Peter J. & Wendy M. (JT)	004-036-001	\$47,900	\$11,400	\$59,300	\$0	\$59,300	\$634.51
Raven, R.R. & Cameron, K.P. (JT)	003-051	\$41,100	\$5,000	\$46,100	\$0	\$46,100	\$493.27
Reynolds, Harrison G. II & et al	002-017-004	\$187,400	\$0	\$187,400	\$0	\$187,400	\$2,005.18
Robbins, Karen	004-049	\$39,900	\$0	\$39,900	\$0	\$39,900	\$426.93
Robbins, Karen	003-031-002	\$70,300	\$85,200	\$155,500	\$5,000	\$150,500	\$1,610.35
Robinson, Mathew & Helen	004-042-001	\$60,600	\$125,300	\$185,900	\$5,000	\$180,900	\$1,935.63
Rochow, Jennifer J.	003-006-001	\$199,400	\$15,300	\$214,700	\$0	\$214,700	\$2,297.29
Rollins, John F. & Elizabeth	003-019	\$105,900	\$135,300	\$241,200	\$10,000	\$231,200	\$2,473.84
Root, Donald N. & Mary J.	003-021	\$43,300	\$73,700	\$117,000	\$12,000	\$105,000	\$1,123.50
Ross, William	005-004-021	\$74,300	\$110,900	\$185,200	\$5,000	\$180,200	\$1,928.14
Safford, George & Lillian	005-002-001-01	\$47,500	\$25,000	\$72,500	\$12,000	\$60,500	\$647.35
Santerre, Robert F. & Virginia	004-057-002	\$117,600	\$383,900	\$501,500	\$2,500	\$499,000	\$5,339.30
Schlein, Paul & Mona	005-004-003	\$80,700	\$92,000	\$172,700	\$5,000	\$167,700	\$1,794.39
Schumaker, William & Jewett Darla	005-004-018	\$71,900	\$130,800	\$202,700	\$5,000	\$197,700	\$2,115.39
Scott, Brian D. & Nancy J.	003-040	\$63,600	\$81,100	\$144,700	\$5,000	\$139,700	\$1,494.79
Sewall, Edward III	005-029	\$177,100	\$169,700	\$346,800	\$0	\$346,800	\$3,710.76
Sferra, Nancy J.	003-027-002	\$64,000	\$47,500	\$111,500	\$7,000	\$104,500	\$1,118.15

Patten Free Library—2003

LIBRARIES ARE IN THE NEWS THESE DAYS, more than ever before. Decisions made on the national level affect libraries, as well as town government and schools. The Patriot Act contained legal restrictions that interfere with a library's ability to protect the privacy of patrons. At the same time, the Supreme Court has said that public libraries that want federal funding for Internet connectivity must filter their computers. Libraries are scrambling to find funds to avoid this kind of censorship. No library can hide from these issues, and Patten Free is no exception.

On the local front, Patten Free continues to provide bestsellers, new formats such as DVDs, friendly customer service, programming for children, and the now annual Community Read which featured the title *Endurance*, a vivid account of Sir Ernest Shackleton's harrowing Antarctic adventure, this past March.

Financial support for Patten Free Library services (FY2004) comes from three sources: municipal contributions, 1/3; endowment, 1/3; and annual giving, fines, etc., 1/3. In order to stabilize the operating budget that determines the hours of operation, the staffing, and the materials purchased, the trustees of the Library have taken very seriously the challenge of private fundraising. Since two-thirds of our operation is funded by the income from the endowment and annual giving, attention has been given to increase both. The John Patten Society has been established to honor larger donors to the endowment. In this first year, 19 members have signed on. Annual Giving donations have jumped by leaps and bounds, from \$25,000 to \$50,000 to \$75,000 last year. In this fiscal year the trustees will match \$7,500 of new donations. This helps explain the reason that the per capita request of each municipality has remained the same.

You don't need to come into the building to renew your books or request a title from this library or from any other library in the state. It's all done online, from home or work. Databases, that formerly could be searched only when the Library was open, can be accessed 24 hours a day from Patten Free's home page (www.patten.lib.me.us). Libraries need to expand their services beyond the building to attract new users in this time of changing technology, while preserving the same experiences that patrons expect when they walk through the door. By the time you read this, a walk-in wireless connection should be in place for those who want connectivity on their own laptop.

Please visit us in person or online to see what's new or to renew your acquaintance. We're looking forward to seeing you.

Are you curious? Arrowsic cardholders (300) borrowed 5,714 books, videos, CDs, etc., during 2003.



ANNE PHILLIPS
Library Director

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Shaw, Ronald C. & Joy C.	005-004-017	\$67,700	\$104,600	\$172,300	\$5,000	\$167,300	\$1,790.11
Shover, Evelyn	004-009	\$47,500	\$73,000	\$120,500	\$7,000	\$113,500	\$1,214.45
Shufelt, Ernest F.	005-032-001	\$47,500	\$75,300	\$122,800	\$0	\$122,800	\$1,313.96
Shultz, Robert E.	004-016	\$153,200	\$329,000	\$482,200	\$2,500	\$479,700	\$5,132.79
Simmons, Willard & Connie L.	005-002-001	\$47,500	\$16,800	\$64,300	\$12,000	\$52,300	\$559.61
Sokol, Damian & Kehl, Janet	004-057	\$183,200	\$81,100	\$264,300	\$0	\$264,300	\$2,828.01
Spencer, James A.E.	004-032	\$147,800	\$67,300	\$215,100	\$0	\$215,100	\$2,301.57
Spencer, James A.E. & Futtler, Margaret	005-040	\$110,700	\$0	\$110,700	\$0	\$110,700	\$1,184.49
Spencer, James A.E. & Futtler, Margaret	005-041	\$245,500	\$85,800	\$331,300	\$0	\$331,300	\$3,544.91
Sperling, Walter J. III & Alice H.	003-008	\$79,200	\$73,100	\$152,300	\$0	\$152,300	\$1,629.61
Spinney Mill Trust	004-021	\$14,400	\$0	\$14,400	\$0	\$14,400	\$154.08
Spinney Mill Trust	004-021-001	\$268,000	\$174,000	\$442,000	\$0	\$442,000	\$4,729.40
Squirrel Point Association	001-003	\$202,600	\$76,300	\$278,900	\$0	\$278,900	\$2,984.23
Stafford, George	004-020	\$154,600	\$44,700	\$199,300	\$10,000	\$189,300	\$2,025.51
Stafford, George	004-020-001	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$1.07
Stahl-MacLeod, G. & MacLeod, J.	005-004-002	\$90,000	\$177,700	\$267,700	\$2,500	\$265,200	\$2,837.64
Staub, Eric A. & Gay L. (JT)	004-041-001	\$48,100	\$96,300	\$144,400	\$0	\$144,400	\$1,545.08
Starbird, John S. Jr. & Jayne E.	005-004-006	\$72,500	\$98,600	\$171,100	\$5,000	\$166,100	\$1,777.27
State of Maine, Dept. of Inland	003-029	\$180,600	\$0	\$180,600	\$180,600	\$0	\$0.00
State of Maine, Dept. of Inland	003-029-001	\$218,100	\$0	\$218,100	\$218,100	\$0	\$0.00
Steen, Christine J.	003-015	\$44,700	\$42,300	\$87,000	\$0	\$87,000	\$930.90
Stinson, Carl W. & Luey	003-055	\$8,500	\$0	\$8,500	\$0	\$8,500	\$90.95
Stoebe, Jeffrey A. & Sarah (JT)	004-050-012	\$122,500	\$59,400	\$181,900	\$5,000	\$176,900	\$1,892.83
Stone, Grace W. & Albert E.	004-013	\$73,200	\$88,100	\$161,300	\$10,000	\$151,300	\$1,618.91
Stone, John	005-033-001	\$63,500	\$92,100	\$155,600	\$5,000	\$150,600	\$1,611.42
Stone, John F. Sr. & Lillian	005-033	\$134,500	\$0	\$134,500	\$0	\$134,500	\$1,439.15
Storin, Matthew V. & Keiko	005-004-014	\$156,000	\$136,900	\$292,900	\$0	\$292,900	\$3,134.03
Stuart, Scott E. & Lisa W.	005-011-003	\$59,500	\$81,600	\$141,100	\$5,000	\$136,100	\$1,456.27
Stump, James P. & Stump, Nancy B.	004-050-006-01	\$72,700	\$54,300	\$127,000	\$5,000	\$122,000	\$1,305.40
Sturgeon, Alfred & Maybelle	004-050-002	\$50,600	\$127,200	\$177,800	\$5,000	\$172,800	\$1,848.96
Sullivan, Michael	006-005	\$32,800	\$42,000	\$74,800	\$7,000	\$67,800	\$725.46
Sullivan, Timothy S.	006-006	\$116,300	\$63,200	\$179,500	\$5,000	\$174,500	\$1,867.15
Swearingen, Richard Troy	005-030	\$44,200	\$75,900	\$120,100	\$7,000	\$113,100	\$1,210.17

Name	Map/Lot	Land	Building	Total	Exemption	Net Value	Tax
Tarbox, Christine & Charles	005-043	\$138,600	\$51,900	\$190,500	\$0	\$190,500	\$2,038.35
Tarbox, Christine & Charles	005-043-001	\$138,600	\$0	\$138,600	\$0	\$138,600	\$1,483.02
Tarbox, Christine & Charles	005-043-002	\$52,400	\$0	\$52,400	\$0	\$52,400	\$560.68
Textor, Kenneth & Melissa	006-001-008	\$60,900	\$120,700	\$181,600	\$5,000	\$176,600	\$1,889.62
Theodore, Steven & Wiebke	002-019-002-001	\$65,900	\$80,700	\$146,600	\$0	\$146,600	\$1,568.62
Thomas, Robert B. & Kathryn W. (JT)	003-043	\$147,100	\$34,100	\$181,200	\$5,000	\$176,200	\$1,885.34
Tolan, James	005-011-002	\$67,000	\$111,400	\$178,400	\$5,000	\$173,400	\$1,855.38
Vitelli, Eloise & Kalish, Robert	003-013	\$92,700	\$84,900	\$177,600	\$5,000	\$172,600	\$1,846.82
Von Borries, Philippe	005-046	\$118,800	\$0	\$118,800	\$0	\$118,800	\$1,271.16
Von Huene, Andreas & Katherine Mead	005-021	\$9,100	\$0	\$9,100	\$0	\$9,100	\$97.37
Von Huene, Andreas & Katherine Mead	005-019	\$225,000	\$94,300	\$319,300	\$2,500	\$316,800	\$3,389.76
Walsh, Thomas E. & Louise P.	003-031-00a	\$111,300	\$105,600	\$216,900	\$5,000	\$211,900	\$2,267.33
Warner, John W. III & Linda M.	005-027	\$48,200	\$13,300	\$61,500	\$0	\$61,500	\$658.05
Warner, John W. III & Linda M.	005-027-001	\$49,800	\$20,400	\$70,200	\$0	\$70,200	\$751.14
Warner, John W. III & Linda M.	005-027-003	\$52,500	\$88,500	\$141,000	\$5,000	\$136,000	\$1,455.20
Wasilewski, Roman & Erica	002-014	\$122,100	\$167,800	\$289,900	\$2,500	\$287,400	\$3,075.18
Watson, B.J.	005-031	\$26,700	\$26,800	\$53,500	\$0	\$53,500	\$572.45
Weiss, David R. & Sandra W.	005-010	\$130,700	\$191,400	\$322,100	\$2,500	\$319,600	\$3,419.72
West, Barbara & Barter, Marlene	005-004-013	\$153,200	\$101,500	\$254,700	\$2,500	\$252,200	\$2,698.54
White, John L. & Lesley M.	006-015	\$36,800	\$27,300	\$64,100	\$7,000	\$57,100	\$610.97
White, P.J. & Anderson, K.A.	005-014	\$163,500	\$0	\$163,500	\$0	\$163,500	\$1,749.45
White, Paul J.	005-014-001	\$161,700	\$0	\$161,700	\$0	\$161,700	\$1,730.19
Whitney, Rosemary F.	002-015	\$126,100	\$14,200	\$140,300	\$0	\$140,300	\$1,501.21
Wilkins, Lloyd & Mary	005-018	\$31,000	\$12,800	\$43,800	\$0	\$43,800	\$468.66
Wilson, Lawrence & Elizabeth	004-005	\$58,800	\$219,500	\$278,300	\$7,500	\$270,800	\$2,897.56
Winstow, Laurie B.	005-011-009	\$66,100	\$154,700	\$220,800	\$0	\$220,800	\$2,362.56
Wiseman, Elizabeth	004-055-001	\$252,600	\$400,700	\$653,300	\$2,500	\$650,800	\$6,963.56
Wood, John & Ho, Manli	004-015	\$110,500	\$59,900	\$170,400	\$5,000	\$165,400	\$1,769.78
Woodruff, Margaret S.	005-004-016	\$73,500	\$85,300	\$158,800	\$5,000	\$153,800	\$1,645.66
Wright, Thomas R. & Suzanne M.	002-019-004	\$35,400	\$0	\$35,400	\$0	\$35,400	\$378.78
Yeaton, Guy	006-022	\$79,700	\$20,900	\$100,600	\$7,000	\$93,600	\$1,001.52

And while we focus on budgets and administration, our students have continued to excel, to grow, and learn, benefiting all the while from the love and attention of Arrowsic's citizens. On behalf of these children, the School Committee thanks the Town for your support.

Respectfully submitted,
 ELOISE VITELLI, Chair
 NANCY BROWN-STUMP
 JODY JONES

Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee Report

OUR FIRST FULL YEAR as the ASFAC has been a productive one. We helped the School Committee clarify the policies concerning who can receive a scholarship, then published a brochure giving all the information concerning the scholarship that a student might need.

Our goal is to grow the scholarship fund to a size where we can give more substantial grants than we do currently. To that end, we solicited a number of art pieces and other items for a raffle, which we launched at the Arrowsic Artworks show in November. So far, the raffle has raised \$217, and we have received \$750 in outright donations. Additionally, we are planning a yard sale in July.

A big *Thank You* to all who donated their talent and money so that we can grow the scholarship account.

Respectfully submitted,
 JEREMY BLAIKLOCK, Chair

School Committee Report

School Year 2003–2004

A TOTAL OF 65 ARROWSIC STUDENTS were educated this year at public expense—an increase of four students over last year. As always, it is the School Committee's top priority to ensure the best education for our students, in line with taxpayers' concerns. We believe our children—our future—deserve the very best educational opportunity that our community can support.

Without a school of our own, Arrowsic citizens can do little to control rising tuition costs. Last year, however, the Town asked the School Committee to look at what options might be available. As a member of Union 47, we participated in the Joint Long Range Planning Committee with Bath Schools. This committee is looking at possibilities for some form of shared governance at the high school level. Union 47 has long been concerned that, while we send the overwhelming majority of our students, comprising nearly half of the whole student body, to Morse High School in Bath, we have no control or authority over school policy and expenditures. (This year, 23 Arrowsic students attended Morse High School.) A survey of all six towns was conducted this winter and plans are under way for broad-based community forums to further discuss the issues. Copies of the survey results are available at the Town Hall, or through the Superintendent's Office.

During this past year, we met with the principals of Morse High School, Bath Middle School, Woolwich, and Georgetown as part of our regular monthly School Committee meetings. Each of these school leaders was asked to talk about their school's strengths and challenges and how they viewed the presence of Arrowsic students.

We have had informal meetings with the School Committees of Woolwich and Georgetown. Eleven students from Arrowsic attended Georgetown this year, and seven attended Woolwich. The School Committee is continuing to have conversations with the Georgetown Committee to determine if there might be some cost-saving agreement possible.

We are aware of the State's interests in greater regionalization and efficiencies in school districts. We must also consider the projected continuing decline in the numbers of our students. (The State Planning Office suggests Arrowsic may have only 13 students by the year 2017.)

As the School Committee continues to investigate our options, we will want to carefully consider both the costs and the benefits of the current 'choice' situation, and to weigh those against the costs and benefits of gaining greater control over the school or schools our children attend with public support. We will want to engage residents in these discussions as we seek to balance the interests of students, parents, and all our residents.

Tax Collector's Report

July 1, 2002–June 30, 2003

2001–2002 TAXES

Uncollected as of June 30, 2002	19,270.11	
Interest	701.56	
		19,971.67
Principal collected	14,375.53	
Interest	701.56	
Tax liens deposited with Treasurer, Arrowsic	4,894.58	
		19,971.67

2001–2002 SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Supplemental tax unpaid June 30, 2002	241.80
Supplemental tax collected	241.80

2001–2002 ABATEMENTS

Heard, Roger & Suzannah	466.19	
Santerre, Robert & Virginia	466.19	
		932.38

2002–2003 TAXES

Commitment	513,067.28	
Assessed but not committed	0.33	
Interest	734.48	
Overpayments	480.96	
		514,283.05
Principal collected	493,628.27	
Interest	734.48	
Abatements	2,004.00	
Overpayments	480.96	
Uncollected	17,435.34	
		514,283.05

2002–2003 ABATEMENTS

Abatement A	500.00	
Belleville, Raymond & Carmen	46.86	
Briggs, Walter & Jane	180.82	
Kingsbury, Richard & Beverly	634.14	
Knowles, Robert & Eugenie	30.39	
Mount, Pamela	481.51	
Robbins, Karen	130.28	
		2,004.00

Tax Collector's Report, *continued on next page*

2002–2003 UNCOLLECTED TAXES AS OF JUNE 30, 2003

*Bertschy, Melane	428.62	
Caton, Robert E.	552.09	
Harcourt, Patricia	320.11	
Harrington, Edwin	682.76	
*Kicken, Rudolf H.	4,637.52	
*Kicken, Rudolf H.	1,751.48	
*Kicken, Rudolf H.	1,095.05	
*King, Stanley & Kathy	1,631.94	
*Levesque, Clarence & Rebecca	968.43	
*MacMahan, Joseph & Norma	712.59	
Squirrel Point Association	2,825.26	
*Warner III, John W. & Linda	623.00	
*Warner III, John W. & Linda	711.13	
*Whitmarsh, Carol	495.36	
		17,435.34
<i>* Paid in full before going to lien</i>		

FEES COLLECTED

Certified mail fees	55.54	
Lien fees	33.00	
		88.54
Retained by Tax Collector	33.00	
Paid to Treasurer, Arrowsic	55.54	
		88.54

2002–2003 EXCISE TAXES COLLECTED

Boat excise taxes	2,033.30	
Vehicle excise taxes	79,483.12	
		81,516.42
Paid to Treasurer, Arrowsic		81,516.42

REGISTRATION FEES COLLECTED

Vehicle registration fees	1,727.00	
Transfer fees	78.00	
		1,805.00
Retained by Motor Vehicle Agent		1,805.00

Arrowsic 2004 Report Card, continued

	4th Grade MEAs		8th Grade MEAs		11th Grade MEAs	
	2001-02	2000-01	2001-02	2000-01	2002-03	2001-02
Reading						
Arrowsic	535	540	546	546	537	542
State Average	538	539	537	537	539	541
Writing						
Arrowsic	526	528	542	540	535	556
State Average	529	530	536	534	537	536
Mathematics						
Arrowsic	526	532	545	542	535	550
State Average	530	531	527	536	527	528
Science & Technology						
Arrowsic	521	526	540	538	534	548
State Average	526	527	528	529	527	527
Social Studies						
Arrowsic	529	534	546	540	534	542
State Average	534	534	530	532	530	530
Visual/Performing Arts						
Arrowsic	527	532	533	538	525	536
State Average	529	532	530	532	525	538
Health						
Arrowsic	539	540	540	541	536	536
State Average	540	539	539	539	538	538

ARROWSIC 2004 REPORT CARD			
Grade	Enrollment	Morse High School 1st Quarter Honor Roll	
Bath		Grade	High Honors Honors Honorable Mention
K	1	9	1 1 1
3	1	10	1 3
5	1	11	1 1
7	4	12	1 1
8	1	Morse High School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll	
Center for Teach/Learn		9	1 1 1
1	1	10	2 1 2
3	1	11	2 1
5	1	12	1
7	1	Lincoln Academy 1st Trimester Honor Roll	
Georgetown		10	1
K	3	Bath Middle School 1st Trimester Honor Roll	
1	2	7	2 1
2	2	8	
3	2	Students participated in the following (MHS):	
4	1	<i>Fall Activities:</i>	<i>Winter Sports:</i>
5	1	Golf—2	Boy's Basketball—1
Woolwich		Football—1	Wrestling—2
2	1	Boy's Soccer—2	
3	1	Field Hockey—1	
5	1	Girl's Soccer—1	
6	3	Students participated in the following (BMS):	
8	1	Girl's Basketball—1	
Total	30	9th Grade PTS	
Morse		<i>Reading</i>	<i>Math</i>
9	6	Arrowsic	540.4 531.2
10	5	MHS Average	526.97 517.9
11	8	Completion Rate	<i>2000-01 2001-02</i>
12	4	Morse H. S.	82.30% 75.12%
Brunswick		Brunswick H. S.	83.45% 89.23%
9	1	Lincoln Academy	90.83% 89.05%
Lincoln Academy		State Average	86.25% 86.71%
10	1	Dropout Rate	<i>2000-01 2001-02</i>
NYA		Bath	5.55% 4.43%
8	1	Brunswick	2.40% 1.84%
10	2	Lincoln Academy	3.29% 3.29%
Waynflote		State Average	3.06% 2.88%
8	1	2003 Graduates	
9	1	6 graduates	
10	1	5 planning to attend post-secondary schools	
11	2	1 undecided	
12	1	2 scholarships	
Putney School (VT)			
10	1		
65 Total Students Educated at Public Expense		Arrowsic 2004 Report Card, <i>continued on next page</i>	

Tax Collector's Report, *continued* July 1, 2003–April 15, 2004 (*Partial*)

2002–2003 TAXES			
Uncollected as of June 30, 2003	17,435.34		
Interest	653.77		
			18,089.11
Principal collected	13,171.78		
Interest	653.77		
Tax liens deposited with Treasurer, Arrowsic	4,263.56		
			18,089.11
2000–2001 ABATEMENTS			
Dunn, Floyd & Sally	251.34		
			251.34
2001–02 ABATEMENTS			
Dunn, Floyd & Sally	216.41		
Frahm, Shirley	25.40		
Hendrie, Nancy & Jones, Judith	26.42		
Klein, Peter	397.26		
			665.49
2002–2003 ABATEMENTS			
Dunn, Floyd & Sally	215.77		
Fleming, Lora	232.00		
Frahm, Shirley	25.33		
Hendrie, Nancy & Jones, Judith	26.34		
Klein, Peter	363.66		
			863.10
2003–2004 TAXES			
Commitment	555,108.51		
Interest	226.39		
Overpayments	1,139.02		
			556,473.92
Principal collected	517,754.03		
Interest	226.39		
Overpayments	1,139.02		
Abatements	1,225.84		
Uncollected	36,128.64		
			556,473.92

Tax Collector's Report, *continued on next page*

2003–2004 ABATEMENTS

Elkin, Susan	315.27	
Frahm, Shirley	26.75	
Hendrie, Nancy & Jones, Judith	27.82	
Hudson, Donald & Ewing, Josephine	856.00	
		1,225.84

FEES COLLECTED

Certified mail fees	30.94	
Lien fees	18.00	
		48.94
Retained by Tax Collector	18.00	
Paid to Treasurer, Arrowsic	30.94	
		48.94

2003–2004 EXCISE TAXES COLLECTED

Boat excise taxes	613.80	
Vehicle excise taxes	62,531.49	
		63,145.29
Paid to Treasurer, Arrowsic		63,145.29

REGISTRATION FEES COLLECTED

Vehicle registration fees	1,232.00	
Transfer fees	57.00	
		1,289.00
Retained by Motor Vehicle Agent		1,289.00

Superintendent of Schools Report

To: The Citizens of Arrowsic

IT IS A PLEASURE to submit to you my annual report, as I complete my third year as your Superintendent of Schools. This year has been filled with many exciting programs and activities for students and community. Our work to become schools of excellence is ongoing, and the 2004–2005 budget represents our commitment to continuous improvement, as well as strong consideration to current economic conditions.

The 2003–2004 school year has been one of exciting changes for middle school students from Arrowsic. Our 8th graders began the school year 2002–2003 as the first class in Maine’s history to participate in a statewide technology program, called the Maine Laptop Initiative (MLTI). Each student received his/her own laptop that they used daily last year. Our middle school teachers were trained to utilize the computers to positively impact teaching and learning for our students. This year’s 7th graders received their new laptops in September of 2003, and the current 8th graders used the laptop computers that were assigned to them in 2002. It is truly gratifying to be part of a program that received not only national acclaim, but international acclaim as well.

Finally, this has been a year for a reexamination of our delivery of literacy instruction at School Union 47. Teachers have been trained to administer the Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA), and the results are shared with parents several times over the year. The student’s results help to determine direct instruction for all students, and we have, with the help of our Title I staff, expanded our intervention for struggling students with a “Booster” program. This refocusing on literacy skills represents our commitment to provide all students with the skills so necessary to long-term personal and academic success.

We submit this budget, having kept a full awareness of the needs of our elementary and secondary students, as well as maintaining a responsibility to the taxpayers of Arrowsic to be as frugal as possible. It is the hope of the Arrowsic school families that you will support this budget and our forward movement as a school.

On a personal note, I want to thank you for your support to the Arrowsic students and staff. I also want to thank you for allowing me to be your Superintendent for the past three years. I am looking forward to my retirement, knowing that our students and staff are in the very capable hands of our excellent school committee members.

Respectfully,
RONALD L. GLEASON
Superintendent of Schools

Codes Enforcement Officer's Report

IN THE YEAR from May 1, 2003 through April 26, 2004, Code Enforcement activity included the following:

13 Building Permits issued:	8 Conditional Use Permits for:
2 New Dwellings	2 Additions in a Shoreland Zone
4 Additions to Dwelling	2 Dwellings in a Shoreland Zone
3 Garages	2 Cutting in Shoreland Zone
1 Barn Addition	1 Shed in a Shoreland Zone
2 Sheds	5 Driveways
1 Temporary Dock	1 Driveway and Excavation
	1 Campsite and Filling

Permits pending for:

1 House Addition in Shoreland	5 Internal Plumbing Permits issued
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Permits denied:

1 Structure on Nonconforming Lot	7 Septic System Permits including:
	3 New Systems
	4 Replacement Systems

Violations cited including:

3 Tree Cutting
1 Structure in Shoreland Setback

Comments

The Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance is filled with rules and standards that cover a wide range of land-use activities. As zoning ordinances go, it is elegantly spare. Understanding the ordinances is perhaps easier with an appreciation of the unique nature of the Arrowsic community. In some ways, the Zoning Ordinance is designed to preserve open space, limit growth, and protect the natural environment to a greater extent than occurs in other communities.

To the extent we value these qualities, we should be prepared to relinquish some individual freedoms for the sake of the community. This ideal is always easier to accept when it applies to our neighbors than when it affects our own desires. To this end, we ask your understanding in enforcing the Ordinance and encourage your involvement to ensure that the Ordinance accurately reflects the Town's vision for the Island.

In all judgements and decisions, it should be of comfort to know that a thorough procedure for due process exists as an inherent feature of resolving violations and disagreements. In this way, the enforcement of the Ordinance is truly a collective activity. Thank you for the cooperation and support this past year.

MICHAEL KREINDLER
Codes Enforcement Officer

Treasurer's Report

Town of Arrowsic

Balance Sheet and Income State for the Year Ending 6/30/03

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1010	Cash—FFS—Checking	164,683.90
1015	Cash—FFS—Savings	77,855.31
1035	Cash—Fleet Municipal Trust	276,598.00
1102	02 Taxes Receivable	17,435.34
1402	01 Tax Leins	3,599.64
	TOTAL ASSETS	540,172.19
2100	Deferred Tax Revenue	-10,000.00
2110	Deferred Revenue	-17,556.92
2115	Accounts Payable	-42,068.79
2120	Taxes Paid in Advance	-2,150.00
2201	Due to Fire Dept. Capital Improvement	-76,131.55
2202	Due to Water Access	-6,905.81
2203	Due to Capital Improvement	-80,491.74
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	-235,304.81
3000	Designated Fund Balance	-21,504.00
3040	Equity	-430.7
3100	Undesignated Fund Balance	-300,057.69
	NET INCOME	17,125.01
	TOTAL EQUITY	-304,867.38
	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	-540,172.19
4003	Clam Licenses	1,777.00
4005	Dog Registration	323.50
4007	Permits	3,146.00
4010	Property Tax	513,067.28
4011	Property Tax—Special	450.00
4012	Clerk Fees	417.25
4013	Agent Fees	1,757.00
4015	Vehicle Excise Tax	79,483.12
4017	Miscellaneous Fees	151.66
4020	State Revenue Sharing	30,365.81
4021	Local Road Assistance	12,372.00
4023	Education Subsidy	99,204.98
4024	Fish & Wildlife	51.39
4026	Transfer Fees	78.00
4028	Miscellaneous Intergovernmental	35.00
4029	Homestead Exemption Income	11,716.00
4030	Miscellaneous Revenues	2,370.34
4031	DHS School Account	238.13
4032	Misc School Account	206.00
4033	Scholarship Fund Donation	620.00
4035	Interest Income	4,599.91
4036	Interest Income—Prop Tax	3,284.65
4041	Fire Department Donation	100.00
4045	Tree Growth	82.00
4050	Veterans Exemption	573.00
4100	Transfers In from Other Funds	4,500.00
	TOTAL REVENUES	770,970.02

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<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance</u>
5000	General Government	720
5010	Salaries—Town Officers	24,585.00
5012	Payroll Taxes	3,658.23
5015	Contingency	6,408.41
5020	Town Report—Printing	2,275.24
5025	Insurance	6,149.00
5026	Assessor	2,887.50
5030	Auditors' Report	3,320.00
5031	Fee Payments/Agent/CEO	5,297.50
5035	Municipal Utilities	3,199.56
5037	Local Emergency Management Agency	30.95
5040	Planning Board	779.07
5051	Shellfish conservation committee	330.04
5055	Town Hall Improvement	1,686.92
5060	General Assistance	820.01
5065	Legal Services	1,419.50
5110	County Tax	118,809.94
5210	School Account	442,449.27
5215	Scholarship	8,691.57
5315	Road Maintenance	79,068.72
5320	Septage	3,796.75
5325	Solid Waste	17,022.20
5335	Recycling	3,040.22
5340	Fire Protection	8,993.60
5345	Ambulance	1,670.41
5410	Jesse Albert Dental Clinic	550
5412	Arrowsic Arrow	565.33
5420	Patten Free Library	4,632.00
5425	Coastal Humane Society	549
5430	Coastal Transportation	300
5442	The Range Lightkeepers	100
5443	Doubling Point Lighthouse	100
5450	Coastal Economic Development	325
5455	Elmhurst Association	500
5460	Bath/Brunswick Hospice	1,000.00
5465	Big Brothers/Big Sisters	500
5470	CHANS	350
5475	Senior Spectrum	370
5480	Bath Area YMCA	250
5485	Bath Area Senior Citizens	200
5490	The Family Crisis Shelter	500
5495	Tedford Shelter	150
5505	WCBB Channel 10	250
5510	Dues	1,020.00
5515	Abatements	2,936.38
5520	Town Tax Maps	56
5600	Miscellaneous	3,281.71
5700	Transfers (Out)	22,500.00
	TOTAL EXPENSES	788,095.03
	NET LOSS	-17,125.01

day. Try to not over work (or over play) your dog in the heat. Chasing a frisbee can be fun, but don't make it too much work for your dog.

If you are taking your pooch on your boat for the day, again, bring a bowl and plenty of water for the dog. They should have a spot on the boat which is "their spot," just like at home. They should have a shaded area to rest on the boat. A dog can get a sunburn, even through its fur. It is also a good idea to have a doggie life jacket on the dog in case they decide to go for an unexpected swim.

If your dog is riding in the back of your pickup, the dog must be secured to a fixed object. This is a State Law. It protects your dog from falling or jumping out. It also protects other people passing by from your dog jumping out after them.

Speaking about vehicles, don't leave your pet in a vehicle alone. The interior of a car can reach up to 120 degrees in the summer sun. This happens even with the windows cracked open. Your pet could become very sick, or even die with this amount of heat. Let's take care of our pets and keep them safe and healthy.

Rabies

We still have a rabies problem in our area. Your dog or cat is required by Maine Law to have an inoculation against rabies. As I become aware of Rabies Clinics (where you can get your pet their shots at a reduced cost), I will post notices at the Town Hall and other community bulletin boards.

Activity

In the year 2003, I received 8 calls for animal conditions. I was performing animal-related duties for 9 hours, and drove 65 miles answering these calls. There were 3 calls for animals at large, 1 for missing animals, 0 for barking animals, 0 for wild animals, 1 for stray animals (such as cats and horses), 0 for dead animals, and 2 for animal bites. I reunited 1 pet with their owner and removed 1 to the Shelter. I issued 4 written warnings, 0 summonses to court, 0 violations of Town Ordinance, 0 late notices for dog licenses, and 2 quarantine notices.

The phone number for Woolwich, Arrowsic, and Georgetown Animal Control Services is 371-9089. If you have an emergency, dial 911, or call the Sagadahoc County dispatcher at 443-8201.



Respectfully submitted,
LARRY MANN
Animal Control Officer
PO Box 431
Georgetown, ME 04548
371-9089, cell 751-3754

Animal Control Officer's Report

Dog Licenses

I know this is getting old, but I have to again remind dog owners of the necessity and requirement to license their dogs. Many dog owners are failing to license their dogs the first of each year. I usually find out about the dog living in your home when a serious incident occurs, such as a dog biting a person or fighting with another dog. The license tag must be attached to the dog's collar even if the dog is on your property. This does not mean the collar is off the dog hanging on a hook when it runs out the door. I carry a list of licensed dogs with me. I update my list often at the Town Hall. When I find a dog running at large, I can try to bring it home to you. If I cannot identify a dog, or cannot return it home, I am required by State Law to remove it to the shelter. I am also required to bring stray cats to the shelter if I cannot identify or find the owner. I prefer to bring your pet home to you, where it belongs. I receive many calls from people reporting stray dogs and cats on their property or in the roadway. The only way I can return your pet is if it has the silver license tag attached, or you have reported it missing to me. I try, but I don't always remember which black dog I returned to you the last time it was at large. Or was yours the dog with the three white paws. Maybe it has curly fur or a red collar. My point is that there are many dogs in Arrowsic, and I cannot remember them all to safely return the one I found.

Computer Records

When you license your dog, your name, address, and phone number, and a description of your dog go into a computer file. This is how I find your information, should your dog get out and I try to return it. Sometimes people move, or the pet unfortunately passes on. The file in the computer doesn't always know this. We wind up with a list of dogs, which haven't been licensed in a few years. To help clear up the file, I will send a notice of unlicensed dog, or I may call your home. I am not trying to bring back memories of your loss, and I apologize if my call upsets you. I am only trying to update our files.

Dog Safety

Many dog owners like to take their pet with them on family outings. This is great, but we still have to keep safety in mind, both for the dog, and for other people. If you are taking your dog on a summer picnic, make sure the dog is kept under control. Your dog may think your lunch, or another person's goodies are for them. Many dog bite incidents occur when a dog is trying to take food out of a person's hand. This happens especially when children are eating. Also have a bowl and water with you so rover doesn't overheat with the summer weather. Dogs can overheat easily on a summer

Independent Auditors' Report

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Certified Public Accountants

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Selectboard Town of Arrowsic Arrowsic, Maine

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Arrowsic, Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Arrowsic, Maine, at June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

Purdy Powers & Company

Professional Association

Portland, Maine
 September 30, 2003



Registrar of Voters Report

THE TOWN OF ARROWSIC currently has 400 registered voters; 153 Democrats, 81 Republicans, 17 Greens, and 149 unenrolled. Last November, 264 residents voted in the referendum election, roughly two-thirds of eligible voters. On the question of how to increase State funding of public education, "none of the above" had a slight edge over the other two options. Residents voted against slot machines at horseracing tracks, and soundly voted down the casino bid. The three bond issues for pollution control, facility improvements at Maine colleges, and transportation improvements all passed in Arrowsic by significant margins.

We will have a primary and referendum election in June, close to the time that this report comes out.

As noted earlier in this *Annual Report*, Arrowsic has been redistricted out of House District 51 with Harpswell and Phippsburg, and will, in the future, be part of the Boothbay district. We will miss having Leila Percy for our State Representative. *Thank you, Leila, for your able representation for the last two years.*

Many thanks also go to the election clerks and counters, who help out during elections. Last November, these included Anne Barnes, Mary Louise Blanchard, Lois Hewlett, Jeff Mann, Mildred Stafford, and Eloise Vitelli. The June lineup has not yet been selected.

This November we anticipate record turnout for the presidential election. We will be recruiting all of our election clerks to staff the polls and the counting teams, and we expect to see you all at the polls.

Josephine Ewing for

JEAN KANE
 Town Registrar

Town Clerk's Report, *continued*

BOAT, ATV, AND SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATIONS, *continued*

Duplicate Stickers @ \$2	1	3
Total Fees to State	\$1520.25	\$1189.00
Clerk's fees	\$126.00	\$66.00

HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES

	<i>July 02–June 03 (Complete)</i>	<i>July 03–March 04 (Incomplete)</i>
Hunt @ \$19/22	16	10
Jr. Hunt @ \$5/8	5	5
Combo Hunt/Fish @ \$36/39	17	19
Fish @ \$19/22	16	6
Archery @\$19/22	2	4
Expanded Archery @ \$40	1	1
Expanded Archery Doe @ \$15/20	1	1
Archery/Fish @\$34/39	1	1
Duck @ \$2.50/5.50/850	6	8
Pheasant @ \$15/18	2	0
Fall Turkey @ \$13	0	1
Muzzleload @ \$11/14	1	2
Total to State	\$1444.50	\$1335.50
Clerk's Fees	\$116.50	\$88.50



All the little (and big) gremlins at last fall's Halloween Party at the Town Hall.

Combined Balance Sheet—All Fund Types and Account Groups
Town of Arrowsic, Maine, As of June 30, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types		Special Account Group		General Account Group		Total (Memorandum Only)	
	General	Special Revenues	Revenues	Fixed Assets	2003	2002	2003	2002
Assets and Other Debits								
Cash	\$ 519,137	\$ 61,918	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 581,055	\$ 539,183	\$ -	-
Taxes receivable	17,435	-	-	-	17,435	19,512	2,250	2,250
Tax liens	3,600	-	-	-	3,600	543	24,175	24,175
Due from other funds	-	163,529	-	-	163,529	166,343	10,000	10,000
Fixed assets	-	-	219,915	-	219,915	217,948	166,343	166,343
Total Assets and Other Debits	\$ 540,172	\$ 225,447	\$ 219,915	\$ 219,915	\$ 985,534	\$ 943,529	\$ 202,768	\$ 202,768
Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits								
Accounts payable	\$ 42,069	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,069	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Taxes paid in advance	2,150	-	-	-	2,150	2,250	2,250	2,250
Deferred revenue	17,557	-	-	-	17,557	24,175	24,175	24,175
Deferred tax revenue	10,000	-	-	-	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Due to other funds	163,529	-	-	-	163,529	166,343	166,343	166,343
Total Liabilities	235,305	-	-	-	235,305	235,305	202,768	202,768
Fund Equity and Other Credits								
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-	219,915	219,915	219,915	217,948	217,948
Fund balance:								
Designated for subsequent years' expenditures	66,991	225,447	-	-	292,438	256,445	256,445	256,445
Undesignated	237,876	-	-	-	237,876	266,368	266,368	266,368
Total Fund Equity and Other Credits	304,867	225,447	219,915	219,915	750,229	740,761	740,761	740,761
Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits	\$ 540,172	\$ 225,447	\$ 219,915	\$ 219,915	\$ 985,534	\$ 943,529	\$ 943,529	\$ 943,529

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—All Governmental Fund Types
Town of Arrowsic, Maine, For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenues	
Revenues			
Property taxes	\$ 513,067	\$ -	\$ 513,067
Excise taxes	79,483	2,033	81,516
Intergovernmental	154,400	-	154,400
Interest	8,123	3,198	11,321
Miscellaneous	11,397	3,691	15,088
Total Revenues	766,470	8,922	775,392
Expenditures			
Current			
Town administration	61,656	-	61,656
Public safety	10,664	-	10,664
Public works	102,928	-	102,928
Special assessments	118,810	-	118,810
Education	451,141	-	451,141
Dues and support	12,211	-	12,211
Unclassified	6,218	2,296	8,514
Capital outlay	1,967	-	1,967
Total Expenditures	765,595	2,296	767,891
Revenues Over Expenditures	875	6,626	7,501
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating transfers in	4,500	(4,500)	-
Operating transfers out	(22,500)	22,500	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(18,000)	18,000	-
Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(17,125)	24,626	7,501
Fund balances at beginning of year	321,992	200,821	522,813
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 304,867	\$ 225,447	\$ 530,314

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

Brogan Reese Shaw.....May 21, 2003
Jordan Kelsey StanleyDecember 30, 2003

Marriages

Kolin Ray Kepler and Margaret Erskine SpencerJune 21, 2003
Rami Samir Harb and Mollie Ann McGowan September 27, 2003
Edward Mortley Orr and Wanda Beverly HiltonDecember 20, 2003

Deaths

Gertrude M. Peterson, 100August 25, 2003
Ronald E. Elwell, 64..... November 12, 2003
Robert W. Miller, 77February 24, 2004

DOG LICENSES

	July 02–June 03 (Complete)	July 03–Mar. 04 (Incomplete)
Male or Female @ \$7.50/\$10	14	12
Neutered or Spayed @ \$4/\$6	78	88
Late fees @ \$5/\$15	0	8
Total Collected	\$462	\$732
State Fees	\$214	\$196
Town Fees	\$156	\$226
Clerk's Fees	\$92	\$100

CLAM LICENSES

	Summer 2003 (Complete)	Summer 2004 (Incomplete)
Resident Commercial @ \$100	1	2
Non-Resident Commercial @ \$200	4	
Resident Recreational @\$10	2	
Non-Resident Recreational @\$20	2	
Total Fees	\$960	\$200

BOAT, ATV, AND SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATIONS

	July 02–June 03 (Complete)	July 03–March 04 (Incomplete)
Boats	\$6/9 28	7
	\$10/13 30	4
	\$15/18 37	14
Freshwater Stickers @ \$9	38	12
Jet Ski @ \$20	1	
ATVs @ \$12/21.25/33	17	14
Snowmobiles @ \$30/33	12	9

be, and in many cases are vandalized, damaged, or just plain vanish! The only sign you can completely trust is the one located at the Town Hall.

Please remember that if you use someone else's property to get to the clam flats, you must first obtain their permission.

The Red Tide Hotline number is 1-800-232-4733. If you have a problem understanding this recording, please look at a chart or map to find the points of reference being spelled out. If you are still in doubt, please call me at home for an answer.

Respectfully submitted,
JON L. HENTZ
Arrowsic Shellfish Warden



Nanako O'Donnell selling her earrings at last fall's Arrowsic Artworks show.

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance—
Budget and Actual—General Fund

Town of Arrowsic, Maine, For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Property taxes	\$ 513,067	\$ 513,067	\$ -
Excise taxes	65,000	79,483	14,483
Intergovernmental	153,641	154,400	759
Interest	-	8,123	8,123
Miscellaneous	<u>1,983</u>	<u>11,397</u>	<u>9,414</u>
Total Revenues	733,691	766,470	32,779
Expenditures			
Current			
Town administration	66,752	61,656	5,096
Public safety	24,961	10,664	14,297
Public works	103,600	102,928	672
Special assessments	118,810	118,810	-
Education	511,724	451,141	60,583
Dues and support	14,630	12,211	2,419
Unclassified	-	6,218	(6,218)
Capital outlay	<u>1,967</u>	<u>1,967</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	842,444	765,595	76,849
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(108,753)	875	109,628
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating transfers in	4,500	4,500	-
Operating transfers out	(19,500)	(22,500)	(3,000)
Utilization of undesignated surplus	73,336	-	(73,336)
Utilization of designated surplus	<u>55,624</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,624)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	113,960	(18,000)	(131,960)
Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses			
	\$ 5,207	(17,125)	\$ (22,332)
Fund balance at beginning of year		<u>321,992</u>	
Fund Balance at End of Year		\$ 304,867	

Notes to Financial Statements

Town of Arrowsic, Maine

Note A - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Town of Arrowsic, Maine, was incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine and operates under a Selectboard form of government. The accounting policies of the Town of Arrowsic conform to generally accepted accounting principles. The following is a summary of such significant policies:

Principles Determining Scope of Reporting Entity

The financial statements of the Town consist only of the funds and account groups of the Town. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the Town's reporting entity, as set forth in GAAP include whether:

- the organization is legally separate (can sue and be sued in their own name)
- the Town holds the corporate powers of the organization
- the Town appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- the Town is able to impose its will on the organization
- the organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the Town
- there is fiscal dependency by the organization on the Town

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the Town of Arrowsic has no component units.

Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into generic fund types and broad fund categories, as follows:

Shellfish Warden's Report

Welcome to the Officer SALTY Program

The Department of Marine Resources Officer SALTY Program (Sea Animal Life for Tomorrow's Youth) is an extremely successful endeavor. When you enter the fourth grade classroom in Georgetown or Woolwich, your attention will surely be drawn to the aquarium full of marine life. Ask a question of the class and you will get an astounding and enthusiastic show of hands. And be careful, for you will also get some of the most interesting sea stories you could imagine. The situation over the past years has been to share one aquarium with three other schools, which is taxing on everyone involved, along with the marine life that has to be moved on each occasion. Our immediate objective is to purchase four 75-gallon acrylic saltwater aquariums, so each school can keep their aquarium in-house for the entire school year. The fundraising efforts and donations have resulted in the purchase of the first of four aquariums.

The objective of Officer SALTY is to develop within all fourth-graders an awareness and appreciation of the marine environment and its resources. The program is taught by one of the State's Marine Patrol Officers, with myself as their assistant. We then will visit the classroom five times over a given period, and during these sessions, the children will learn about the importance of protecting and conserving our marine resources for future generations. For the parents, take a moment to stop by the school to see the aquarium. Georgetown has their aquarium in place all year long. I am sure your child will be very happy to share what they have learned.

General Shellfish Information

Prior to harvesting any shellfish in Arrowsic, you must first obtain a shellfish license from the Town Hall. At that time ask to look at the Repeal and Promulgation Regulation which will show you all clam flats that are open and closed. You should also pick up a recreational shellfish information sheet from the clerk. In this way, you can be absolutely sure the flats you are going to dig on are open. And prior to digging in the future, contact me at home, 371-2732, or at the Town Hall at 443-4609. Openings and closings change at a moment's notice, so be sure to check. Open areas generally include all of the Squirrel Point Flats from May 15 through September 30. The remainder of the year, Squirrel Point Flats are closed, because up river sewage treatment plants do not chlorinate their discharge during the winter. The Back River is closed due to pollution. The Shellfish Conservation Committee is working with the Town of Phippsburg and the Department of Marine Resources to possibly correct the problem and move the closure line north of Crow Island.

Openings and closings are subject to change without warning. The Warden makes every effort to post closure signs at major points of access to some of the flats. However, never trust the absence of a sign, for they can

Shellfish Conservation Committee Report

THE ARROWSIC SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMITTEE is charged with management and conservation of the Town's soft-shell clam (*Mya arenaria*) resource, including enforcement of the Town Shellfish Conservation Ordinance and applicable State regulations. This work breaks down into five areas: license allocation and issuance, enforcement, water quality sampling, shellfish conservation, and administration. The prescribed schedules and due dates of most tasks sometimes result in a challenging workload. In addition to the Committee members, we rely heavily on Town Clerk, Phine Ewing, our Shellfish Warden, Jon Hentz, DMR Biologist, Ron Aho, and DMR Volunteer Coordinator, Sherry Hanson.

During 2003, we pursued expanded water sampling, involving both additional sampling stations and more frequent sampling, in order to justify the reopening of the Back River Flat, which was closed in 2002. Although the test results are encouraging, the flat remains closed as we start the 2004 season. We will continue to pursue this effort, which we hope will produce positive results in 2005.

The Committee would like to encourage all residents to take an interest in our clam resource. We can frequently use volunteers who would like to participate in particular activities, such as clam flat surveys. If you would like more information, please call the Town Hall, or incoming ASCC Chair, Peter Goodwin, 443-7466.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM C. BLAIKLOCK, Chair
PHILIP PACKARD, Secretary
PETER W. GOODWIN
LOIS HEWLETT
RICHARD HIGGINS

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental Funds are those through which general governmental functions of the Town are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Town's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through Governmental Funds.

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenues Fund - Special Revenues Funds are used to account for revenues derived from specific taxes or other earmarked revenue sources.

Account Group

Account groups are used to establish accounting control and accountability for the Town's general fixed assets and general long-term debt. The two account groups are not "funds". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

General Fixed Assets - This group of accounts is established to account for the fixed assets of the Town. Fixed assets acquired or constructed for general governmental purposes are reported as expenditures in the fund that finances the assets acquisitions and have been capitalized in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Routine maintenance and repairs are not capitalized. Additionally, infrastructure assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, and lighting systems, have not been capitalized. Such assets are normally immovable and of value only to the Town. Therefore, the purpose of stewardship for capital expenditures is satisfied without recording these assets. No provision for depreciation has been recorded.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting is related to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Property taxes are recorded as revenue when levied even though a portion of the taxes may be collected in

subsequent years. Miscellaneous Revenues are recorded when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Intergovernmental Revenues, and Interest Income are accrued, when their receipt occurs soon enough after the end of the accounting period so as to be both measurable and available.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Town considers all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Inventories

Inventories of supplies are considered to be expenditures at the time of purchase.

Encumbrance Accounting

Encumbrances are not liabilities and, therefore, are not recorded as expenditures until receipt of material or service. For budgetary purposes, appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. The Town of Arrowsic does not utilize encumbrance accounting, therefore, reservation of fund balance is not provided for at June 30, 2003. Accordingly, no difference exists between actual results and the applicable budgetary data presented in the accompanying combined financial statements.

Budget

The Town of Arrowsic's policy is to adopt an annual budget for operations. The budget is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

The following procedures are followed in establishing budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Early in the second half of the last fiscal year the Town prepared a budget for this fiscal year beginning July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. A meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Arrowsic was then called for the purpose of adopting the proposed budget after public notice of the meeting was given.
3. The budget was adopted subsequent to passage by the inhabitants of the Town.

Conservation Commission Report

THIS YEAR, THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION has continued its stewardship of the Sewall Pond Conservation Area, with weekly trash cleanups during the summer, and general maintenance of the Town property. We also clean up at the Route 127 Pond access site, although this is not Town property. We have requested that the Selectmen hire a Town Constable, so that Town ordinances on parking and nighttime use at the Conservation Area will be enforced. We hope to be able to minimize infractions of the few rules we have at this site.

Last summer, we began testing for phosphorus in water samples, along with our biweekly water transparency readings. Phosphorous is often a limiting factor on plankton growth, so that waters with high phosphorous tend to have high algal growth. Sewall Pond has very high phosphorous, and we will continue to monitor its concentrations.

The Conservation Commission sponsored a talk called "Beginning with Habitat," and has received a set of map overlays of Arrowsic, showing various ecological parameters. We hope to have a set of property maps made to the same scale, that can be used in conjunction with these maps.

Another townwide roadside cleanup is scheduled for the first weekend in May, and will have taken place by the time this report comes out.

Respectfully submitted,
BILL AND NOREEN BLAIKLOCK
PHINE EWING
ROGER HEARD
MILLY STAFFORD
FRANCIE SMITH TOLAN

Zoning Board of Appeals Report

Current ZBA Members

Mark Geiger, Chair.....	2002–2005
James Arsenault, Secretary.....	2001–2004
Lois Hewlett	2001–2004
Mona Schlein.....	2001–2004
Grace Stone	2003–2004
Wendy Briggs (alternate).....	2004

IN 2003–04, THE ZBA MET to hear three administrative appeals and one appeal for a variance.

From Robert and Virginia Santerre, of 298 Old Stage Road, seeking relief from the violation issued on September 10, 2003, by the Codes Enforcement Officer for a staircase and wall built in the shoreline setback area. The Board met on October 27 and November 7, and rendered a unanimous decision to uphold the CEO's violation order and deny the appeal at a final meeting on November 8, 2003.

The Board met to hear an administrative appeal from Mark and Nancy Kidd, of 267 Old Stage Road, seeking relief from the Planning Board's decision of November 3, 2003, to deny a home business permit for smoking meat. The first meeting was December 29, 2003. Continuing hearings in 2004 were held January 22, February 25, and March 3. The Board voted unanimously to uphold the decision of the Planning Board and to deny the appeal.

Also in 2004, the Board heard from Peter Klein, of 75 Lyman Road, in Northfield, MA 01360, seeking a variance to build a storage shed and tent platforms on his two-acre lot on the end of Bald Head, Arrowsic. No decision has yet been rendered.

An administrative appeal was filed by Howard Bonis, Jr., of 577 Old Stage Road, seeking relief from the Codes Enforcement Officer's notice of violation issued December 18, 2003. In a meeting on March 22, 2004, the Board reached a unanimous decision to uphold the CEO violation order and to deny the appeal concerning logging operations in the road setback area.

As of this writing, the ZBA has a meeting scheduled to continue the variance appeal of Peter Klein.

Respectfully submitted,
MARK C. GEIGER
Chair

The Town does not adopt budgets for the Special Revenue Funds.

Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes

The Town's property tax for the current year was levied November 25, 2002, on the assessed value listed as of April 1, 2002, for all real and personal property located in the Town. Taxes were due January 31, 2003. Interest on unpaid taxes commenced on February 1, 2003, at 8.75% per annum.

Property tax revenues are recognized when they become available. Available includes those property tax receivables expected to be collected within sixty days after year-end. The remaining receivables have been recorded as deferred revenues.

The Town is permitted by the laws of the State of Maine to levy taxes up to 105% of its net budgeted expenditures for the related fiscal period. The amount raised in excess of 100% is referred to as overlay, and amounted to \$5,207 for the year ended June 30, 2003.

Tax liens are placed on real property within twelve months following the tax commitment date if taxes are delinquent. The Town has the authority to foreclose on property eighteen months after the filing of the lien if tax liens and associated costs remain unpaid.

Comparative Data

Comparative totals for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying general purpose financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Town's financial position and operations. However, presentation of prior year amounts by fund type in each of the statements has not been included since their inclusion would make the combined statements unduly complex and difficult to read. Some prior year balances have been reclassified to conform with the current year presentation.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Total Columns on Combined Statements - Overview

Total columns on the Combined Statements are captioned Memorandum Only to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a

consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

Vacation and Sick Leave

Under the terms of the personnel policies of the Town, paid vacation and sick leave is not available. As such no liability for accrued compensated absences exists.

Note B - Cash and Investments

The Town conducts all its banking and investment transactions with its depository banks and investment firm.

Deposits

At June 30, 2003, the carrying amount of the Town's deposits was \$581,055, and the bank balance was \$589,425. The difference between carrying amount and the bank balance relates to outstanding checks, deposits in transit, and cash on hand at year-end.

The Town's cash is categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Town at year-end. These categories are defined as follows:

1. Category #1 - Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Town or by its agent in the Town's name.
2. Category #2 - Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name.
3. Category #3 - Uncollateralized. (This includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.)

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Category</u>		
		<u># 1</u>	<u># 2</u>	<u># 3</u>
Various banks	<u>\$ 589,425</u>	<u>\$ 310,863</u>	<u>\$ 278,562</u>	<u>\$ ---</u>

Planning Board Report

IT HAS BEEN A BUSY YEAR for the eight-member Planning Board, with 12 monthly meetings, two Special Meetings, several workshops, approval of four Home Business Permits, approval of three Conditional Use Permits, denial of one Conditional Use Home Business Permit, and further denial of the reapplication of that permit, and a denial of a Conditional Use Permit.

Arrowsic has no commercial zone. We are a residential community that supports permitted Home Businesses. The 2002 Comprehensive Plan Survey asked residents if the current definition of Home Business and exclusion of commercial businesses were too restrictive (19), about right (91), not restrictive enough (2). When asked if a permit should be obtained before operating a Home Business, the answers were 95 Yes, 17 No, and 5 Don't Know. The Board considers this a mandate to enforce the current Home Business Ordinance.

The Board proposes two Warrant Article changes to make the Home Business permitting process easier for applicants to understand. First, we propose that the definition of Home Business, which appears in the Definitions section at the end of the Zoning Ordinance, be included in the Ordinance text of the Home Business Permit. Second, we propose to change the number of non-family members allowed to work on the premises from six to two. This recognizes that many Home Businesses are dispatch centers for workers who work elsewhere and that six workers, in addition to family working on site, exceeds the Home Business definition.

We propose a Warrant Article to add an overlay zone to the Zoning Ordinance, in addition to the Mobile Park Overlay Zone. This Overlay zone will be known as the Municipal Overlay Zone and will include all municipally owned land that supports and provides necessary and appropriate public services to the residents of Arrowsic.

We propose the amended Cell Tower Ordinance be added as an addendum to the Zoning Ordinance and appear in the Table of Contents, but be printed separately.

We propose the Habitat Overlay Maps prepared by the State Planning Office be included in the current Comprehensive Plan under Land Use Background Data.

We propose to correct an error in Table I #7, that a Home Business Permit shall be required from the Planning Board in all four Districts.

In our continuing effort to ensure the Zoning Ordinance is in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan, the Permit application for all land use has been simplified and clarified in a new forms packet prepared by the Codes Enforcement Officer. The Planning Board joined the Selectboard to coauthor a letter to all new and current property owners that refers them to the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance before building or clearing land.

All Planning Board Meetings are open to the public on the first Monday of each month or as scheduled. There are openings on the Board and anyone who is interested should approach the Selectboard.

MARY HILLERY, Chair

Schedule of Valuation, Assessment and Collection of Taxes

**Town of Arrowsic, Maine
For the Year Ended June 30, 2003**

Valuation		
Real estate		\$ 50,648,300
Personal property		<u>-</u>
	Total Valuation	<u>\$ 50,648,300</u>
Assessment		
Valuation x Rate - \$50,648,300 x 0.01013	\$	513,067
Supplemental taxes		<u>-</u>
	Total Assessment Charged to Collector	<u>\$ 513,067</u>
Collection and Credits		
Cash collections	\$	492,696
Tax abatements		<u>2,936</u>
	Total Collection and Credits	<u>495,632</u>
	2003 Taxes Receivable - June 30, 2003	<u>\$ 17,435</u>

Schedule of Cash Receipts and Disbursements --

All Governmental Fund Types

Town of Arrowsic, Maine

For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

Cash Balance at July 1, 2002	\$	539,183
Plus: Receipts		767,694
Less: Disbursements		<u>725,822</u>
	Cash Balance at June 30, 2003	<u>\$ 581,055</u>
Cash balance consists of:		
Checking accounts		
Per Banks	\$	174,652
Add: Deposits in transit		-
Less: Outstanding checks		<u>8,370</u>
		166,282
Interest bearing accounts		414,773
Cash on hand		<u>-</u>
	Total Cash	<u>\$ 581,055</u>

Note C - Interfund Receivables and Payables

Interfund balances at June 30, 2003 consisted of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

	Receivables (Due from)	Payables (Due to)
General Fund:		
Special Revenues:		
Fire Dept. Capital Improvement Fund	\$ - - -	\$ 76,131
Water Access Fund	- - -	6,906
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>- - -</u>	<u>80,492</u>
	- - -	163,529
Special Revenues:		
General Fund:		
Fire Dept. Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 76,131	\$ - - -
Water Access Fund	6,906	- - -
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>80,492</u>	<u>- - -</u>
	<u>163,529</u>	<u>- - -</u>
	<u>\$ 163,529</u>	<u>\$ 163,529</u>

Note D - Fixed Assets

A summary of general fixed assets transactions for the year ended June 30, 2003, follows:

	Balance July 1, 2002	Additions	Retirements	Balance June 30, 2003
Land & Buildings	\$ 93,124	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ 93,124
Equipment	<u>124,824</u>	<u>1,967</u>	<u>- - -</u>	<u>126,791</u>
	<u>\$ 217,948</u>	<u>\$ 1,967</u>	<u>\$ - - -</u>	<u>\$ 219,915</u>

Note E - Deferred Revenue

At June 30, 2003, deferred revenues consisted of the following:

State Revenue Sharing	\$ 17,557
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Note F - Designated for Subsequent Years' Expenditures

At June 30, 2003, the following balance was designated for future years' expenditures:

Fire Department Building Planning	\$ 4,061
School Account	61,083
Shellfish Conservation Commission	1,847
	\$ 66,991

Note G - Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following appropriations were exceeded by actual expenditures:

	<u>Excess</u>
Insurance	\$ 1,149
General Assistance	820
Scholarship	500
Contingency	408
Planning Board	279
Town Report	275

Excess expenditures over appropriations are generally offset by additional revenues and reimbursements.

Note H - Related Party Transactions

The Town conducts business with Richard Elwell, a construction contractor, who is also on the Town's Road Commission. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003 the Town paid Mr. Elwell \$28,682 for road maintenance services.

Note I - New Reporting Standard

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) issued Statement 34 Basic Financial Statement establishes new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments throughout the United States. When implemented, it will require new information and

	118,810	503,532	550	550	-	-	-	-
County tax								
Education								
School account	442,449	8,192	6,916	6,916	-	-	-	-
Scholarship	8,692	511,724	549	549	-	-	-	-
	<u>451,141</u>							
Dues and Support								
Jesse Albert Mem Clinic	550	1,000	500	500	-	-	-	-
Patten Free Library	4,632	500	500	500	-	-	-	-
Coastal Humane Society	549	350	370	370	-	-	-	-
Coastal Transp - Elder Service	300	370	250	250	-	-	-	-
Coastal Economic Dev.	325	200	200	200	-	-	-	-
Elmhurst Association	500	800	800	800	-	-	-	-
Bath/Brunswick Hospice	1,000	500	500	500	-	-	-	-
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	500	350	350	350	-	-	-	-
CHANS	350	370	370	370	-	-	-	-
Senior Spectrum	370	250	250	250	-	-	-	-
Bath Area YMCA	250	200	200	200	-	-	-	-
Bath Area Senior Citizens	200	800	800	800	-	-	-	-
Arrowsic Arrow	565	500	500	500	-	-	-	-
The Family Crisis Shelter	235	150	150	150	-	-	-	-
Tedford Shelter	-	100	100	100	-	-	-	-
The Range Lightkeepers	-	100	100	100	-	-	-	-
Doubling Point Lighthouse	-	250	250	250	-	-	-	-
WCBB	-	920	920	920	-	-	-	-
Dues	(100)	14,630	14,630	14,630	-	-	-	-
	<u>2,419</u>							
Unclassified								
Abatements	2,936	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	(3,282)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>(6,218)</u>							
Capital Outlay								
Office equipment	1,967	842,444	1,967	1,967	-	-	-	-
	<u>9,858</u>							
	<u>\$ 66,991</u>							

Schedule of Department Operations, Town of Arrowsic, Maine, For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Balance		Cash		Total Available	Expenditures	Balance June 30, 2003	
	July 1, 2002	Appropriations	Receipts	Disbursements			Lapsed	Carried
Town Administration								
Salaries - Town officers	\$ -	\$ 30,842	\$ -	\$ 28,243	\$ 30,842	\$ 28,243	\$ 2,599	\$ -
Contingency and postage	-	4,033	-	4,441	4,033	4,441	(408)	-
Town report - printing	-	2,000	-	2,275	2,000	2,275	(275)	-
Insurance	-	5,000	-	6,149	5,000	6,149	(1,149)	-
Auditors' report	-	4,000	-	3,320	4,000	3,320	680	-
Municipal utilities	-	4,000	-	3,200	4,000	3,200	800	-
Planning Board	-	500	-	779	500	779	(279)	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	775	-	775	(775)	-
Fees	-	-	-	5,298	-	5,298	(5,298)	-
Conservation Commission	-	250	-	-	250	-	250	-
Shellfish Conservation Commission	-	400	1,777	330	2,177	330	-	1,847
Town hall improvement	-	6,200	-	1,687	6,200	1,687	4,513	-
General assistance	-	250	-	851	250	851	(601)	-
Assessor	-	3,500	-	2,888	3,500	2,888	612	-
Legal services	-	4,000	-	1,420	4,000	1,420	2,580	-
		<u>64,975</u>	<u>1,777</u>	<u>61,656</u>	<u>66,752</u>	<u>61,656</u>	<u>3,249</u>	<u>1,847</u>
Public Safety								
Fire protection	-	16,900	-	8,994	16,900	8,994	7,906	-
Fire Department building planning	4,061	-	-	-	4,061	-	-	4,061
Ambulance	-	4,000	-	1,670	4,000	1,670	2,330	-
		<u>4,061</u>		<u>10,664</u>	<u>24,961</u>	<u>10,664</u>	<u>10,236</u>	<u>4,061</u>
Public Works								
Long Reach capital improvements	-	100	-	-	100	-	100	-
Road maintenance	-	79,000	-	79,069	79,000	79,069	(69)	-
Septage	-	4,000	-	3,797	4,000	3,797	203	-
Solid waste	-	17,000	-	17,022	17,000	17,022	(22)	-
Recycling	-	3,500	-	3,040	3,500	3,040	460	-
		<u>103,600</u>		<u>102,928</u>	<u>103,600</u>	<u>102,928</u>	<u>672</u>	
Special Assessment								

restructure much of the information that governments have presented in the past. Comparability with reports issued in all prior years will be affected. The Town is required to implement this standard for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004. The Town has not yet determined the full impact that adoption of GASB Statement 34 will have on the financial statements.



Nancy Sferra with her stained glass at last fall's Arrowsic Artworks show.



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Independent Auditors' Report on Supplemental Information

To the Selectboard
 Town of Arrowsic
 Arrowsic, Maine

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplemental information contained in pages 49 through 52 for the year ended June 30, 2003, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Purdy Powers & Company

Professional Association

Portland, Maine
 September 30, 2003



Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Special Revenue Funds

Town of Arrowsic, Maine

For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Fire Dept. Capital Improv. Fund	Water Access Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	Overboard Discharge Grant Fund	School Scholarship	Total
Revenues						
Interest	\$ 989	\$ 895	\$ 980	\$ -	\$ 334	\$ 3,198
Excise tax - boats	-	2,033	-	-	-	2,033
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	3,691	3,691
Total Revenues	989	2,928	980	-	4,025	8,922
Expenditures						
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	989	2,928	980	(2,296)	4,025	6,626
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Operating transfers in	5,000	-	10,000	-	7,500	22,500
Operating transfers out	-	-	-	-	(4,500)	(4,500)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	5,000	-	10,000	-	3,000	18,000
Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	5,989	2,928	10,980	(2,296)	7,025	24,626
Fund balances at beginning of year	70,143	35,388	69,512	3,894	21,884	200,821
Fund Balances at End of Year	76,132	38,316	80,492	1,598	28,909	225,447

TOWN OF ARROWSIC
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ASSESSOR'S NOTICE

In accordance with Maine State Law (MRSA, Title 36, Sec. 706), the Assessors of the Town of Arrowsic hereby give notice to all persons liable to taxation in the municipality that they are to furnish a list of real property, not exempt from taxation, which they owned on April 1, 2004.

The following declaration should be filled out and returned to the Town of Arrowsic no later than July 1, 2004. Failure to comply will invite a visit from the Assessors and may result in forfeiture of the right to apply to the Assessors or the County Commissioners for abatement.

LIST OF ESTATES

1. Real Estate (list each separate parcel):

Map/lot (if known)	Acres	Structures	Date Built
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a.....

b.....

(If additional space is needed, write on back)

2. Were any of the buildings constructed, altered or added to since April 1, 1996?
yes no (Please circle)

If yes, please describe (include exterior and/or interior work done):

Map/lot	Type of work	Date of work
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(If additional space is needed, write on back)

3. Mobile Home Declaration

Map/Lot	Make/Model	Year	Date Purchased
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NAME OF TAXPAYER (Please Print).....

Date..... Mailing Address

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