



the Newton Conservators

FALL WALKS 2005

Angino Farm: Newton's Agricultural History

Sunday, September 18, 2-4 PM



The Newton History Museum with the New Conservators will sponsor an afternoon program on Newton's agricultural history and Angino Farm. The goal of this program is to provide the community with a historical context for the development of Angino Farm. Speakers will include: Sue Avery—Farms & Farmers in Oak Hill (South Newton) from the 1700s to the 1950s, Ted Chapman—The Changing Landscape of Angino Farm from the 1800s to the 1990s, and Leah Birch Postman—Remembering Angino Farm, Imagining Newton Community Farm. The program will conclude with a group conversation—Future Farm Program Brain-storming: History, Ecology, Economics & Education.

To register, contact the Newton History Museum (617-796-1450 or museuminfo@newtonma.gov).

Canoe Trip in the Charles River Lake District

Sunday, September 25, 2-4 PM



This trip is a leisurely paddle that explores the Lake District from the DCR boat house to the Waltham Watch Factory. Bring a lunch for a stop and binoculars if you'd like. We leave from the canoe landing at the Charles River Canoe Service on Commonwealth Avenue.

If you would like to join the trip call trip leaders Bill and Dottie Hagar (964-2644).

Early Morning Bird Walk at Nahanton Park

Sunday, October 2, 7:30-9 AM



The mix of woodlands, wetlands and meadows along the Charles River make Nahanton a wonderful place for watching the fall bird migration. While most birds will have gone south the area is still rich in ducks and late migrating birds. Enter the park at the Nahanton Street entrance next to the river and meet at the Nature Center. Parking available inside the park.

Trip leader is Modestino Criscitiello (244-6397), an experienced birder from Friends of Nahanton Park.

Biking Tour of the Aqueduct Trail

Sunday, October 9, 2-4 PM



For the past several years, we have conducted a very popular bike tour along the Aqueduct Trail through Newton, Needham and Wellesley. The trip is a 1½ to 2 hour tour and, while mostly leisurely, it is sometimes strenuous. The tour is for ages 12 and up. Children must have an adult and all riders must wear helmets and use bikes that are able to travel off road. The tour runs through established paths, pinewoods, meadows and hills. You will travel behind backyards and riders should be respectful of the privacy of homeowners. Meet in front of the Starbucks near the Waban MBTA Station.

Call Henry Finch (617-964-4488). Riders may be limited depending upon response and interest.

Walking Tour of the Aqueduct Trail

Sunday, October 16, 2-4 PM



If hiking is more your speed, Henry Finch will lead a walking tour of parts of the Sudbury and Cochituate Aqueducts that go through Newton. This walk introduces residents to this wonderful resource. As with the biking tour, you will travel near backyards and we ask that you respect the privacy of homeowners. Meet in front of the Starbucks near the Waban MBTA Station.

Call Henry Finch (617-964-4488).

Harvest Festival on Newton Centre Green

Sunday Afternoon, October 23



Look for information in The TAB and elsewhere about the schedule for this annual family event. Crafts vendors, live entertainment, a mid-way for the kids and a variety of foods round out the afternoon. The festival is sponsored by the Parks and Recreation department, the Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs and Newton Pride.

Contact Parks and Recreation for more information (617-796-1500).

A Walk Through Kennard Park

Sunday, October 30, 2-3:30 PM



The Kennard Park is a 32-acre park and post-agricultural forest. This property was a farm until the 19th century, after which it became a gentleman's estate. It is now part of Newton's park and conservations lands. The area offers the walker a rich variety of forest, gardens, lawn and wetlands. The South Meadow Brook has mixed and conifer woodlands, colonial stonewalls, a red maple swamp with century-old trees and a sensitive fern marsh.

Trip leader is Larry Burdick (617-584-4633).

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If you don't already have a copy of the "Walking Trails" guide, you may obtain one free by joining the Newton Conservators, Newton's land trust and open space advocate (go to www.newtonconservators.org). Copies can also be purchased for \$7.95 at Newtonville Books or New England Mobile Book Fair, by mailing a check to Newton Conservators at PO Box 590011, Newton, MA 02459, or online at www.newtonconservators.org.

If you have questions or suggestions about any of these outings, call Peter Kastner, chair of our Walks Committee, at 617-244-6094.