

# *A Swarm of Drumlins*

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June 2015



The **Devens Regional Household Hazardous Products Collection Center** is open to Groton residents Wednesday, **June 3**, and Saturday **June 6**, 9 am- noon. Proof of residency is required, and there is a charge for disposal. For more information [www.devenshhw.com](http://www.devenshhw.com)

**Tick Talks: How to Prevent Tick Bites, Lyme, and Other Tick-Bourne Diseases in Humans and Pets.**

Sponsored by the **Nashua River Watershed Association**, this expert presentation will be given in several locations: Tuesday, **June 2**, 7 pm at the Lunenberg Public Library, 1023 Massachusetts Avenue; Tuesday, **June 9**, 7 pm at the Lawrence Public Library, 15 Main Street, Pepperell; and Tuesday, **June 23**, 7 pm at the Harvard MA public library, 4 Pond Rd. For program details [www.nashuariverwatershed.org](http://www.nashuariverwatershed.org) To Pre-register contact Al Futterman, 978-448-0299 [AlF@NashuaRiverWatershed.org](mailto:AlF@NashuaRiverWatershed.org) FREE.

**Groton Greenway River Festival 2015** takes place Sunday, **June 7**, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Petapawag Boat Launch on the Nashua River off Rt. 119. This **free** family event features live music including Native American drummers, nature exhibits, children's activities, canoeing all day courtesy of Nashoba Paddler LLC, a cardboard canoe race and more. Food available for purchase. Free parking and shuttle buses are available at Deluxe Corporation, 500 Main St. Groton. More info at [www.facebook.com/GrotonGreenwayRiverFestival](http://www.facebook.com/GrotonGreenwayRiverFestival)

**Fruitlands Museum Film Screening: Andrew Goldsworthy's Rivers and Tides**, Wednesday, **June 10**, 7 pm. **Art in Nature** sculpture viewing 5-7 pm. A documentary of a Scottish artist whose medium is nature itself. \$5 recommended donation. 102 Prospect Hill Rd. Harvard MA. [www.fruitlands.org](http://www.fruitlands.org)

**New England Forestry Foundation (NEFF) Annual Meeting**, Saturday, **June 13**, 11:30 am-4pm Prouty Woods Community Forest, 32 Foster Street, Littleton, MA. **11:30—1:30 Speakers and BBQ Lunch:** Hear about forests and fish from the Downeast Salmon Federation, forests and recreation from the Rochester Area Sports Trail Alliance, forests and farming from the new Littleton Community Farm, and forests and a regional sense of place from the Boston Public Market, a new regional market set to open in July in the Haymarket building. **1:30—4:00 Family-Friendly Activities:** Littleton Community Farm tour, guided trail walk, arts and crafts, and canoeing on Long Lake. **Free for members.** Nonmembers: \$15 per adult, \$5 per child (under 14). **RSVP by June 4.** [www.newenglandforestry.org](http://www.newenglandforestry.org) (978) 952-6856 ext. 110

**Nashoba Paddler Nature Tours: Paddling With Beavers**, Saturday, **June 13**, 6-9 pm. Easy, flat-water, 4 miles roundtrip. Cost: \$35pp-canoe, \$55pp-kayak.

**Whitewater Overnight June 25-26**, Thursday 8:30 am-Friday 8:30 pm. Instructional program for young adults ages 15-20 with whitewater canoeing experience on the Deerfield River in western Massachusetts. Taught by an American Canoe Association Canoeing Instructor. (Prerequisite: River Camp "Leadership Expedition" or two years of "Adventure Challenge" or similar experience. Must meet certain swimming requirements-Red Cross Level 4 or equivalent) Cost: \$240. For young adults ages 15-20. **Registration Required** for both events at [www.nashobapaddler.com](http://www.nashobapaddler.com) 398 West Main Street.

**Groton Trails Committee and AMC Trail Hike**, Sunday, **June 14**, 1-3 pm at **Surrendon Farm/Sabine Woods**. Open field, upland woods, and Nashua river habitat. Meet at the trail kiosk on Shirley Road/off Farmer's Row. 42.5866N 71.5947W Olin Lathrop. [olin@embedinc.com](mailto:olin@embedinc.com) 978-742-9014

**The Future Of Fish: Can We Bring Global Fisheries Back from the Brink?** Monday, **June 15**, Reception 5:30 pm, Talk 6:30 pm, Calderwood Pavilion, Wimberly Theatre Boston. Tickets and Information [www.nature.org/future](http://www.nature.org/future) The Nature Conservancy in Massachusetts.

**Friends of the Groton Elders** are sponsoring a **FREE Shredding Event**, Saturday, **June 20**, 9 am-Noon at the old Sacred Heart Church parking lot at 279 Main Street (Rt. 119.) Recycle old papers.

**Groton Trails Committee Hike at Gamlin Crystal Spring Conservation Area**, Sunday, **June 21**, 1-3 pm. This Groton Conservation Trust property features glacial erratic boulders, beaver ponds, a porcupine den, and an old "lost" quarry. Meet at the trailhead on Old Dunstable Rd, 1.25 miles north of Bridge Street. 42.631084N 71.510190W Dave Minott [DMinott@charter.net](mailto:DMinott@charter.net)

**Squannacook River Runners Club** presents the **21st Annual Kids Summer Track and Field** program for kids entering Kindergarten through 8th Grade (5-14 years of age) and **6th Annual Adult Running** program, geared toward all abilities. This 8-week program will run from **June 22- August 12**, every Monday and Wednesday from 4:30 to 6:30 at the Groton-Dunstable Regional High School track. Info: [gdtrack.com](http://gdtrack.com)

**Wilderness Summer Survival Week for Ages 11 to 14**, Tuesday-Friday, **June 23- June 26**, 9:00 am-3:00 pm. **Nashua River Watershed Association Eco-Adventures**. Four adventurous, action-packed days of hiking, paddling the Squannacook River, developing summer survival skills, and exploring the inner world of our local river, woodlands and fields while making new friends. Program fees are \$200 for NRWA members or \$230 for non-members. Pre-registration is required; space is limited. Contact Stacey Chilcoat, (978) 448-0299, or [StaceyC@NashuaRiverWatershed.org](mailto:StaceyC@NashuaRiverWatershed.org)

**Season Passes** at the **Groton Country Club** for golf, pool, or both are available at 2014 rates. **Aquatic Center Hours** are: Early Season through June 19: Weekdays 3:30 -6:30 pm, Saturday and Sunday 12 Noon to dusk. Summer Season Hours: June 20-September 7, Monday through Friday 12 Noon-8 pm Saturday and Sunday 11 am- 8 pm. More information at [www.grotonpoolandgolf.com](http://www.grotonpoolandgolf.com)

Business, Non-Profit and Craft **Applications** are available for **GrotonFest 2015**, scheduled for Saturday September 19. Download at [www.grotonfest.com](http://www.grotonfest.com)

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