

TRI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

I would like to thank all of you for the support you have shown our committee. When asked if this 300th celebration was a success the answer has been a resounding yes. It was great to see this community to come together and celebrate our heritage. It only went to prove that this is a great place to call home. I would also like to thank the many volunteers who have put in countless hours over the past five years. This has been a labor of love. There have been many people who helped but here is a few I want to thank Rhoda Capron, Bill Garnett, Steve Soreff, Joe Welch and Rose Breslin-Dawson. These core individuals have been here from the beginning. Another big shout out to Bob Davidson who organized all the reenactment events he was also the driving force behind the Four Generals Pale Ale. I would also like to thank Stephen White, and Chief Jaye Vilchok they came on the committee a little later but have been there for everything we have done. There are many more people to thank, and you know who you are. Thank You! We began early on selling Tee-shirts, Cookbooks, Hats, ornaments, and license plates. Through these efforts we were able to offset some of the expenses. We had big Plans for the year and unfortunately Covid 19 never completely went away. and while we were able to get most of the events in the pipeline some were canceled due to lack of help.

Background and summary:

The 300th committee first went before the Selectboard on July 31, 2017. It was at that meeting we were charged to start planning this celebration. Our first meeting was on September 12, 2017. It was decided that we would meet monthly and most of our early focus was on fundraising. How could we raise funding to offset expenditures? We decided on a Cookbook which Gwen Friend chaired. We sold Tee-shirts, hats, ornaments, license plates. We also started sharing ideas on how we should celebrate. We decided on a yearlong celebration. To help plan we held a Eat and Meet potluck lunch at the Community center it was well attended, and we broke up in to three groups and came up with some great ideas. Things were starting to roll.

You have seen us everywhere in the past 5 years from cooking at the summer concert series – to town and federal elections, Nottingham Earth Day and at various Pop-Up locations selling Nottingham merchandise. We raised a lot of funds and were spread the word of our celebration. If we accomplished nothing, I only hope we brought you a sense of Community Pride.

Let us do a quick recap of the year!

2022 Calendar for the 300th

January – Bonfire, 1/8/22

A Nottingham firetruck led the big parade.

Then, Chair of the BOS, Benjamin Bartlett addressed the waiting crowd to officially begin the yearlong 300th anniversary celebration.

Bartlett offered a comprehensive chronicle of the town's history since its founding in 1722. He noted the relations with the Native Americans, his relationship to General Thomas Bartlett, the town's population changes and the glory of the community.

Here is part of what Ben Bartlett said. "Good evening my fellow Nottingham Residents. Thank you for coming out on this rather chilly evening to help kick off our official start of a yearlong celebration of our wonderful community's 300th anniversary since its incorporation in 1722... Here is a perfect opportunity where family, friends and neighbors alike can come together to celebrate our history, our heritage, and each other... Nottingham played a role in the birth of our nation. We have four generals from our great community that fought in the Revolutionary War... So, as we kick off 2022 and our 300th anniversary, remember that a lot has changed in our little community in 300 years. But one thing remains true to this day. Our community, more so than any other, looks out for our neighbors. Nottingham has always prided itself on coming to the aid of a neighbor, that is what makes Nottingham so special. Keeping the spirit of neighbor helping neighbor alive and well...I am proud to live in this great community. My family roots run deep here, and I am honored to serve our community as your Chair of the Board of Selectmen. Nottingham's future is bright, and exciting times are just ahead as we continue to move forward to keeping Nottingham's small-town character while protecting its history... It is now my great pleasure to announce that our yearlong celebration begins now! Light the bon fire!!"

After finishing his speech, Bartlett signaled to 300th Committee Chair Steve Welch that it was time to start the fire. On Welch's smile and gesture, members of the NF&RD ignited the fire. The Christmas trees went up first. Then the ring of palettes caught fire. It was a brilliant, growing and sustained huge bonfire. The crowd of an estimated 150 loved it. Some of them had even brought their own Christmas that night. They enjoyed hot chocolate provide by the NP&RD. They sang Happy Birthday to Nottingham. They chatted with each other as they lingered and enjoyed the blaze.



The bonfire and the crowd Picture by Peggy Tucker

Thus, Nottingham kicked off its 300th yearlong anniversary celebration.

The 300th Committee said "Thanks for the Nottingham Fire Rescue Association for persisting in getting the fire going despite all the snow. Thanks to the police for traffic control, Thanks to Kortney and Joe

Duball and the Recreation Department for the hot chocolate. Thanks to Selectmen Ben Bartlett, Tiler Eaton and John Morin for their help at the event.

Thanks to all the townsfolk who came out on this cold night to help kick off the 300th celebration."

February 2/18-2/20 – Basketball Tournament for Middle School Nottingham School



The Nottingham School Basketball Team

On the weekend of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, February 18-20, 2022, at the Nottingham School the 2022 Nottingham Junior High Boys held a Basketball Tournament. This was a three-day Tournament featuring 4 teams Nottingham, Auburn, Bow and Kittery. In the end Nottingham was victorious. Thank you, Tiler Eaton and Carl Eden, for all their hard Work.



The winning team!

2/19/22 9-11 AM - A family hike/snowshoe

The Nottingham Conservation Commission and Nottingham Trails Crew held a guided winter walk at the Marston Farm Recreation Area. They observed various animal tracks and their seasonal behaviors and learned how to identify both wildlife and plants in our region. A big thanks to all involved.

April –4/23/22 Mini March, linked to Patriots’ Day

Nottingham Alarm March April 23

Bob Davidson and the members of the First New Hampshire Regiment hosted this event. The schedule of events went as follows.

9:00 – 10:00 – we met at the town Square for a living History where people were able to talk about life and events of this time. At 10:00 a rider came up and sounded the alarm that the regulars were attacking us in Lexington/Concord. At which time we march down Ledge farm Rd to the Epping town line led by the First NH. The Militia fired volleys along the way. After we arrived back to the Square --volleys were fired at the grave of Gen Joseph Cilley and another at the Minuteman Monument.



From left to right Bob Davidson, Bob Mackey, Art Walker and Bruce Batten, members of the First New Hampshire Regiment, in Civilian/Militia attire at the 58th Annual Bedford MA Pole Capping, April 9th.

Photograph by Bob Davidson.

May – 5/7/22 Fishing Derby

This is a yearly event hosted by the Recreation Dept.

5/12/22 at 6:30 PM

Terry Nelson speaks on Henry Dearborn at the Library

5/15/22 Burying of the Time Capsule

Charter Day celebration consisted of three events on Sunday, May 15, 2022-the burying of the Summer Institute 2021 Fall Edition’s Time Capsule, the reading of the 1722 Nottingham Charter, and the playing of music by Nevers 2nd Regiment Band. The day broke with a hint of rain but after the momentary passing shower, Sunday proved to be delightful and glorious.

Early in that morning preparations were underway on Nottingham Square. Members of the 300th Committee set up tents, tables, and chairs. And the Nevers Band brought in its own stage.

At 11:00 there was a ceremonial burial of the Time Capsule at the base of the flagpole in front of the Community Center. The speakers at the event were Chris Sousa, Nottingham School Principal, Braydan Behr, a student in the program, Rose Breslin-Dawson, a teacher in charge of the Institute, and Peter Abbott, Ph.D., Consulate for New England for Britain. Afterward, Susan Levenson, Chairperson of the School Board presented the students and faculty with flowers.



The Plaque tells the 2021 Institute's story and its 2047 future



Speaking is Chris Sousa, behind left to right Noah Santry-Merrill, Braydan Behr, Riley Cloutier Mrs. Breslin-Dawson, and Ms. Barbara Henderson.

Charter Day

After the burying of the time capsule, we reconvened to Nottingham Square for the Charter Ceremony. Just before the actual introduction of the speakers, members of His **Majesty's Tenth Regiment of Foot** in full period uniforms marched in. They were greeted by **Dr. Peter Abbott, Order of the British Empire. OBE Her Majesty's Consul-General for New England.**



Dr. Peter Abbott in the midst of members of His Majesty's Tenth Regiment of Foot

Then the Charter ceremony began. Chet Batchelder served as the emcee. He introduced Gary Anderson, Chaplain for Nottingham Fire & Rescue Department. Gary delivered an invocation. Next, Donna Danis, Chair of the Nottingham Select Board welcomed the crowd and thanked folks. This was followed by Steve Welch, Chair of the 300th Committee, who greeted and thanked those assembled. Danis returned and read two congratulatory notes about the Day and the 300th. One was from New Hampshire's Senator Margaret Hassan. The other was from Christopher Pappas, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for the 1st NH District. There were greetings and the acknowledgment that the original Nottingham Charter included Northwood, which broke away in 1776, and Deerfield, which broke away in 1776. Next Dr. Peter Abbott addressed the crowd. He said his job as Her Majesty's Consul-General for New England was to promote Britain in these six states. He has a Ph.D. in Greek Tragedies. He was happy to speak at a Charter event rather than other events celebrating Revolutionary War's victories over the British army, in which he has spoken. He said, "in response to the alleged call, 'the British are coming, I am here'". He gave a delightful talk. Finally, Jeffery Merriweather of His Majesty's Tenth Regiment of Foot read the actual 1722 Charter.



The reading of the Charter left Chet Batchelder and right Jeffery Merriweather

This was followed by a concert performed by the **Nevers Second Regimental Band**. Kevin Swift conducted the band. It has been performing for over 150 years. They began by playing music for *The Music Man*. They continued with a medley of songs it might have played when they performed in 1917 at the dedication of the Four Generals Statue in Nottingham Square. They also played *The Imperial March* from *Star Wars* as members of the Tenth Regiment marched in front of them. The band concluded with *The National Emblem March*, written by a New Hampshire person, Edwin Eugene Bagley, *America the Beautiful*, and *The Stars and Stripes Forever*. The very appreciative audience loved them.



Nevers Band performing with the His Majesty's Tenth Regiment of Foot at attention.



Members of The First New Hampshire Regiment were there to support the event and inform folks of the 300th anniversary's encampment and reenactment there on Nottingham Square on August 19-21, 2022.

May 21 and 22 The Town Meeting Play

We decided we wanted to do the play *Town Meeting* written by Rebecca Rule. The first obstacle we encountered was finding someone to direct it. After countless hours Two young ladies came forward to help, Cassidy Green and Claire Burbank the rest is history.

Steve Soreff, MD

On Saturday night, May 21, 2022, and Sunday afternoon, May 22, 2022, folks gathered to watch the production of Rebecca Rules' classic 2005 play, *The Town Meeting*. And the large audience both times was not disappointed. They laughed and really enjoyed the play- a comedy in two acts. The cast had been in rehearsal since the auditions on March 12, 2022. It was part of Nottingham's yearlong celebration of its 300th anniversary. It was directed by Claire Burbank and Cassidy Green.



Claire Burbank and Cassidy Green.

Claire is completing her sophomore year at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy. She loves theater and singing. She has been the singing director of a youth production of *Into the Woods*. She has played many roles in numerous productions including Ariel in *The Little Mermaid*, Sally in *Charlie Brown*, the orphan in *Annie*, and Alice in *Alice in Wonderland*. She has authored 13 anti-bullying books including *Sassy Tomatoes*, which is available at Liar's Paradise. She plans to attend an arts college and major in singing. And Cassidy Green is finishing her freshman year at Dover High School. She has sung the National Anthem at the following events: Veterans' Day assemblies at the Nottingham School, a women's basketball game at Southern New Hampshire University, and 3 opening days for the

Nottingham little league. She too has played many roles in numerous productions including Annie in *Annie*, an Oompa Loompa in *Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, the Princess in *The Little Mermaid*, and a tree in *Into the Woods*. She has attended and is now part of the Nottingham's Recreation Department summer drama camp staff. She plans a career in the arts.



The cast picture by Kathy Noni

5/24/2022- Cruise Night and a Cruise, Liar's Paradise

Steve Soreff, MD

One of Nottingham's signature summer happenings, Cruise Night at Liar's Paradise, and Nottingham's 300th Anniversary celebration will combine on Tuesday, May 24, 2022. The actual event is the first Cruise Night at Liar's Paradise, 118 Stage Road, Nottingham, for the 2022 season.

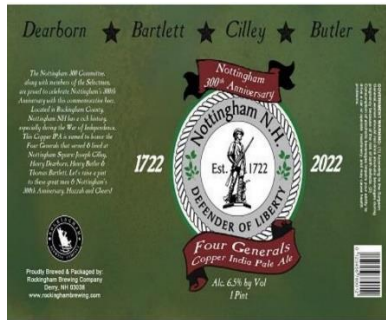


June – 6/18/22 Strawberry Short Cake Sale NFRD Association

The Nottingham hosted a Strawberry Short Cake Sale. Everyone left with a smile on their face and maybe a touch of Whipped cream.



June 3, 2022, Four Generals Beer



Thanks to Bob Davidson, the Rockingham Brewing Company in Derry created a new beer called Four Generals Copper India Pale Ale (IPA). It was launched Friday, June 3, 2022, at 6:00 pm at the company's taproom, One Corporate Park Drive #1 in Derry. There was a Ceremonial Musket Firing by men in colonial uniforms and ladies in their historical attire. The participating troops are members of the First New Hampshire Regiment.



Ceremonial musket firing to launch Four Generals IPA

July – 7/4/22 9:00 Declaration of Independence Celebration

It was picture perfect day, we gathered at the town Square and read the Declaration of Independence we listened to some patriotic music and ate some breakfast. All said it was a great morning.



7/24/22 Blueberry Baking Contest NFRD Association

The Nottingham fire department hosted the Blueberry Baking Contest. There were many entries and we all had a great time

August – 8/13/22 Grand Parade 11:00

The parade lined up on Francesca Dr. and proceeded down Rte. 152 and ended at the community center. There were three musical groups the Piscataqua Rangers Junior Fife and Drum Corp, Soggy Po Boys and the N.H. Police assoc. Pipes and Drums. The NH Army National Guard provided a Color Guard and were escorted by NH State Police Motorcycle unit, Ruth Twombly the holder of the Boston Post Cane was the Grand Marshal. There were many local citizen entries from floats to vehicles to walkers. It was great to see the return of Jimmy Twombly in his award-winning Bathtub. The NH Shriners provides us with clowns, mini corvettes and some mini High Rollers. There were 2 oxen teams and many fire trucks. I think fun was had by all.

Fireworks 8/13/22

We started the evening off with some music by the band Spoke and Throttle at 5:00

Followed by a stellar Fireworks display by Atlas Pyro Vision at 9:00

8/14/22 Blueberry Pancake breakfast – Historical Society

The Nottingham Historical Society's held their annual Blueberry Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, the 14th. It was a busy morning with a lot of pancakes consumed and some great background music



8/16/22 Talent Show

Nottingham's Talents Salutes the 300th was performed on Tuesday, July 16, 2022, at 6 PM at the Bandstand, next to the Community Center

It commenced with Claire Burbank singing the National Anthem, She and her voice electrified the audience.

Lisa Kennard next sang the official Nottingham Town Song., entitled *Our Nottingham, New Hampshire Town*, which is sung to the tune *America, the Beautiful*. Lisa not only wrote that song but also is the author of Big Dreams Inn a Small New Hampshire Town.

The first act was the Sunrise Strummers Ukulele Band. This is a group that played ukuleles and washboards and was under the direction of its volunteer leader, Kathy Stilwell. What they performed included *Summertime*, *On the Road Again*, *This Land Is Your Land*, and one Hawaiian, *Aloha 'Oe*.

The next act was Craig Werth. He is a New Hampshire songwriter and multi-instrumentalist. "Craig Werth is also the pastor of Nottingham's Community Church, He wove folk, acoustic, and Americana music together and an original sang praising the people of Nottingham.

This was followed by the amazingly talented duo of Claire Burbank and Cassidy Green. the duet sang *Come to Your Senses* from *Tick Tick Boom* written by Jonathan Larson and Queen's *Somebody to Love*. The two thrilled the audience with their sparkling performance.

The was followed by Dan Raymond who played these 4 instrumentals on his guitar: *Something*, *Here, There and Everywhere*, *A Taste of Honey*, and *Day by Day*.

Then there was another duo. Stolen Covers Duo consisting of Theresa and Rick Landry. They sang and played the history of classic rock songs. These included *Johnny Be Good*, *I'm a Believer*, *Joy to the World*, *You Were Meant for Me*, *Ran Away*, and *Light*.

The show closed with a finale of all the performers and the audience singing first Happy Birthday to Nottingham and *You are my Sunshine*.

8/19-21/22 - Encampment / Reenactment

Bob Davidson was the host for this event. There were many obstacles that we had to overcome. We needed potable water, firewood and places to park spectators, parking attendants and security and how to deal with trash all of which we overcame.

The camp was set up on Friday afternoon and the camp opened on Saturday at 10:00 the public was free to walk around and talk with the reenactors and talk about days gone by. At 2:00 the battle began after which the camp was open to the public till 4:00. The same happened on Sunday with battle beginning at 1:00 after they tore camp down and ended the weekend. Thank you to all who helped.



September –

9/17/ 22 Town picnic Pawtuckaway Lake State Park and Boat tours

On the 17 we gathered at the State Park pavilion and had a nice lunch after which the Pawtuckaway Lake Improvement Association provide lake tours.



9/24 Chili Cookoff Contest NFRD Association

~ Chili Cook-off ~

Join us!

When: Saturday, September 24th, 2022 @12:00pm

Where: Nottingham Fire Rescue Department

Contest Specifications:

- 3 Categories (Red, White, and Vegetarian)
- CASH PRIZES for the top 3 entrants in each category
- *Applications are accepted up to 5 pm on Friday, September 23rd (Absolutely NO APPLICATIONS will be accepted after the deadline)*

**Additional details and paper entry forms available at the Nottingham Fire Rescue Department*



Scan QR Code to follow online for updates and online entry forms

Scarecrow Contest

The scarecrow contest was again hosted by the Women's Club

October – 10/1/22 Story Walk -The Barefoot Farmer of Pawtuckaway

The Library and Recreation Dept were host of this event

10/8/22 Chowder Contest NFRD Association

The Nottingham Chowder Cookoff took place on Saturday, October 29, 2022, at the Nottingham Fire Rescue Department Station. It was the last of three great bake and cook-offs sponsored by the Nottingham Fire Rescue Department Association in connection with the 300th Committee's yearlong anniversary celebrations.

10/15/22 Cemetery Tour Sat.

Tina Cooke was the host for this event. At 4 PM Saturday afternoon, members of the Nottingham Historical Society (NHS) portrayed persons buried in the Joseph Cilley Burial Ground. There are 16 gravestones in that burial ground along with 11 unidentified small stones and a large boulder with a D.A.R. plaque. NHS members selected people in that fenced-in burial grounds off Ledge Farm Road. In chronological order, from the first Cilley family to come to Nottingham, folks, many in period outfits, stood by the appropriate grave marker to their person. There they gave that person's history. This included where and when they were born, their careers, and their accomplishments. They would also point out the various symbols and their meanings on the tombstones. Often, additionally, they would identify and stand by the graves of their children.

Before the different NHS members spoke, Tina Cooke, co-chair of the NHS gave the history of that burial ground. She offered definitions of the various sites where the dead are buried. Cemeteries are places where unrelated people are buried. A graveyard is associated with a church or religious institution. A burial ground, such as this Cilley Burial Ground is the place, where all or many members of a particular family are buried. She talked about the East-West orientation of many of the gravestones in Nottingham. Those gathered, about 25 people, learned a great deal about the Cilley family and about more than over one hundred private burial grounds in Nottingham.



10/16 Old Time Baseball Game

On the ballfield next to Community Center there was an 1860s vintage baseball game played between the **Dirigo Vintage Base Ball Club** and the newly constituted Nottingham Swingers. The Dirigo Vintage Base Ball Club is a non-profit, educational, and living history organization dedicated to preserving and promoting the game of Base Ball as it was played during its formative years in the mid-nineteenth

century and other historic eras. It was played using 1860's equipment and followed 1864 rules. That meant no baseball gloves, a softer leather baseball than now used in Major League Baseball, pitching underhand, only calling balls -three and three strikes when invoked, catching the ball on the first bounce was an out and the pitcher threw from a square. There was no pitcher's mound at that time.



10/22/22 Recreation Halloween Event

November –10/22/22 Veterans Day Program 11/11/22

Nottingham's Veterans Day November 11, 2022, 11 AM

On November 11 we had a Veterans Day program thank you to all who participated Nottingham's Veterans Day November 11, 2022, 11 AM

Steve Soreff, MD

On a bright, shining almost warm fall day, as part of the town's yearlong 300th Anniversary Celebration, there was an emotionally moving Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, November 11, 2022, at 11 AM at the town's veteran's monument in front of the Blaisdell Memorial Library. The town historically has had a long tradition of holding Veterans Day events, which was revived this year by the 300th Committee. The date and time were linked to history. "November 11 is Veteran's Day in the United States. For much of the rest of the world and especially in Europe, it is Armistice Day, the day that marks the end of World War I. On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 when the armistice was signed, over 20 million people had lost their lives." The event was planned by Joe Welch and conducted by Steve Soreff with sound production by Douglas Cummings.

It will begin with an Honor Guard of the Nottingham Boy Scout Troop 167 marching in with the American and POW-MIA flags, running them up the flagpole, and bringing them to half-staff. Then, they led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. Next, the Fire and Police Department's Chaplain, Gary Anderson, offered an invocation. Claire Burbank sang the National Anthem. Donna Danis Tiler Eaton and

Stephen White addressed the group. Steve and Tiler then placed a wreath on the Veteran's monument. The ceremony ended with the playing of Taps.



December – 12/3/22 Holiday Parade

We marched in the Holiday parade and thanked our community for all of their support this past year



The celebration of Nottingham's 300th Anniversary required a great deal of planning and preparation for events that encompassed the entire year 2022.
It was a huge community success.
Many folks took part in it and the whole town joined in.

Thank you, Nottingham!

Several people were major participants.

Here is the list of **the Pioneers**:

Rose Breslin-Dawson

Rhoda Capron

Bob Davidson

Tiler Eaton

Bill Garnett

Steve Soreff

Jaye Vilchok

Joe Welch

Steve Welch

Steve White

And many who were **significant contributors**:

Gary Anderson

Stephanie Beck

Charlie Brown

Tina Cooke

Gwen Friend

Michelle Insley

Faith Levesque

Christine Lovecchio,

Nottingham Police Department

Nottingham Fire & Rescue Department

Nancy Reagan

Wynn Varney

Sandy Vilchok

Wanda Langsford Welch

***"Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision.
The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives.
It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results."
Andrew Carnegie***

THE ROYAL CHARTER IS OBTAINED MAY 10, 1722 AS FOLLOWS:

GEORGE, BY THE GRACE OF GOD, OF GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE AND
IRELAND

KING, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH, &C.

TO ALL PEOPLE TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING: KNOW YE
THAT WE, OF OUR SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE AND MERE MOTION FOR THE DUE
INCOURAGEMENT OF SETTLING A NEW PLANTATION, BY AND WITH THE ADVICE
AND CONSENT OF OUR COUNCIL, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, AND BY THESE
PRESENTS, AS FAR AS IN US LIES, DO GIVE AND GRANT, IN EQUAL SHARES UNTO
SUNDRY OF OUR BELOVED SUBJECTS WHOSE NAMES ARE ENTERED IN A SCHEDULE
HEREUNTO ANNEXED, THAT INHABIT OR SHALL INHABIT WITHIN THE SAID
GRANT, WITHIN OUR PROVINCE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, ALL THAT TRACT OF
LAND WITHIN THE FOLLOWING BOUNDS (VIZ.): TO BEGIN AT DOVER WESTELY
CORNER BOUNDS, RUNNING ALONG EXETER NORTHERLY LINE, WEST AND BY
NORTH TWO MILES, THEN ALONG EXETER HEADLINE SOUTH-WEST HALF A
POINT, MORE SOUTHERLY ONE MILE AND THREE-QUARTERS, AND FROM THENCE
UPON A WEST NORTHWEST POINT OF THE COMPASS TENN MILES INTO THE
COUNTRY. THEN TO BEGIN AGAIN AT THE AFORESAID DOVER WESTLY CORNER
BOUNDS AND RUN NORTH-EAST HALF A POYNT MORE EASTELY FOUR MILES AND
A QUARTER ALONG DOVER HEADLINE, THEN UPON A NORTHWEST POYNT HALF A
POYNT MORE NORTHELY THIRTEEN MILES INTO THE COUNTRY, AND FROM
THAT BOUNDS UPON A STREIGHT LINE TO THE END OF THE AFORESAID TENN
MILE LINE. AND THAT THE SAME BE A TOWN CORPORATE BY THE NAME OF
NOTINGHAM, TO THE PERSONS AFORESAID FOR EVER, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD
THE SAID LAND TO THE SAID GRANTEES AND THEIR HEIRS AND ASSIGNES

FOREVER, AND TO SUCH ASSOCIATES AS THEY SHALL ADMIT, UPON THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:--

1ST. THAT EVERY PROPRIETOR BUILD A DWELLING-HOUSE WITHIN THREE YEARS AND SETTLE A FAMILY THEREIN; AND BREAK UP THREE ACRES OF GROUND, AND PLANT AND SOW THE SAME, WITHIN FOUR YEARS; AND PAY HIS PROPORTION OF THE TOWN CHARGE WHEN AND SO OFTEN AS OCCASION SHALL REQUIRE THE SAME.

2LY. THAT A MEETING HOUSE BE BUILT FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD WITHIN THE S^D TERME OF FOUR YEARS.

3LY. THAT, UPON DEFAULT OF ANY PARTICULAR PROPRIETOR IN COMPLYING WITH THE CONDITIONS OF THIS CHARTER UPON HIS PART, SUCH DELINQUENT PROPRIETOR SHALL FORFEIT HIS SHARE TO Y^E OTHER PROPRIETORS, WHICH SHALL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDING TO THE MAJOR VOTE OF THE SAID COMPANY AT A LEGAL MEETING.

4TH. THAT A PROPRIETOR'S SHARE BE RESERVED FOR A PARSONAGE, ANOTHER FOR THE FIRST MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL, ANOTHER FOR THE BENEFIT OF A SCHOOL, PROVIDED NEVERTHELESS THAT THE PEACE WITHIN THE INDIANS CONTINUE DURING THE AFORE^{SD} TERM OF THREE YEARS. BUT, IF IT SHOULD SO HAPPEN THAT A WAR WITH THE INDIANS SHOULD COMMENCE BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE AFORESAID TERM OF THREE YEARS, THE SAID TERM OF THREE YEARS SHALL BE ALLOWED FOR THE PROPRIETORS AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE WAR FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE AFORE^{SD} CONDITIONS. RENDERING AND PAYING THEREFORE TO US OUR HEIRS AND SUCCESSORS OR SUCH OTHER OFFICER OR OFFICERS AS SHALL BE APPOINTED TO RECEIVE THE SAME, THE ANNUAL QUIT RENT OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ONE EAR OF INDIAN CORN IN THE SAID TOWN ON THE TWENTYETH DAY OF DECEMBER YEARLY FOREVER. RESERVING ALSO UNTO US OUR HEIRS AND SUCCESSORS ALL

MASTS TREES GROWING ON THE SAID TRACT OF LAND ACCORDING TO THE ACTS OF PARLIAMENT IN THAT CASE MADE AND PROVIDED. AND, FOR THE BETTER ORDER, RULE, AND GOVERNMENT OF THE SAID TOWN, WE DO BY THESE PRESENTS FOR OURSELVES, OUR HEIRS, AND SUCCESSORS, GRANT UNTO THE SAID MEN AND INHABITANTS OR THOSE THAT SHALL INHABIT THE SAID TOWN, THAT YEARLY AND EVERY YEAR UPON THE LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH OF MARCH FOR EVER SHALL MEET TO ELECT AND CHUSE BY THE MAJOR PART OF THEM CONSTABLES, SELECTMEN AND OTHER TOWN OFFICERS ACCORDING TO THE LAWS AND USAGE OF OUR AFORE^{SD} PROVINCE FOR THE YEAR ENSUING, WITH POWER AND PRIVILEGES AND AUTHORITIES AS OTHER TOWNS AND TOWN OFFICERS WITHIN OUR AFORE^{SD} PROVINCE HAVE AND ENJOY. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF WE HAVE CAUSED THE SEAL OF OUR SAID PROVINCE TO BE HEREUNTO ANNEXED. WITNESS SAMUEL SHUTE, ESQ^R, OUR GOVERNOUR AND COMMANDER- IN-CHIEF OF OUR SAID PROVINCE AT OUR TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH, THE TENTH DAY OF MAY 'IN THE EIGHTH YEAR OF OUR REIGNE ANNO DOMINII, 1722.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COM^D

SAM^L SHUTE.

WITH ADVICE OF Y^E COUNCIL.

R. W. CL^K COU^T.

CHARTER DAY

11:00 AM

INSTALLATION OF THE TIME CAPSULE BY
NOTTINGHAM SUMMER INSTITUTE STUDENTS
~TOWN OFFICE BUILDING~

12:00 TO 2:00 PM

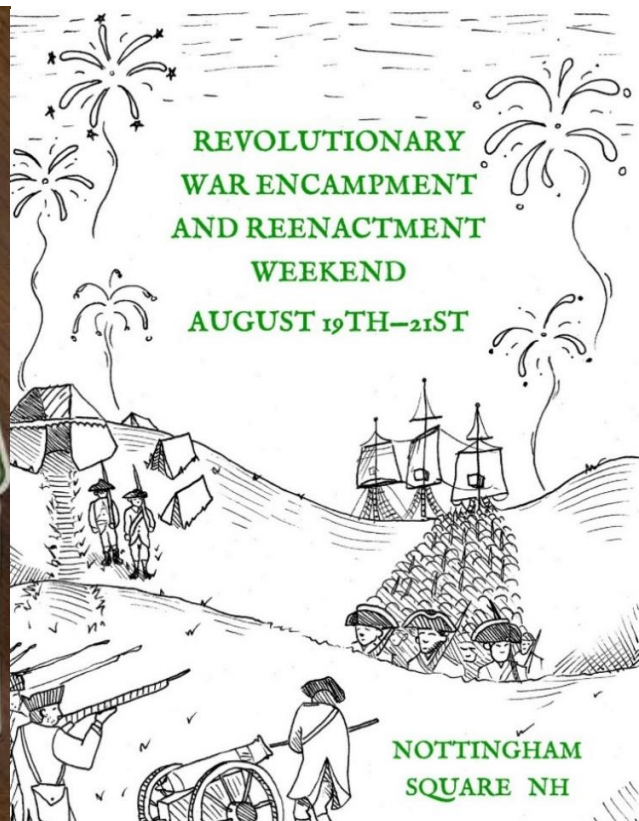
READING OF THE 1722 TOWN CHARTER
NEVERS FAMILY BAND CONCERT
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE THANKS TO THE
NOTTINGHAM FIRE AUXILIARY
FOOD, FAMILY AND FRIENDS!
~NOTTINGHAM SQUARE~
(AT THE SCHOOL IF IT RAINS)

SUNDAY MAY 15, 2022

THE TOWN MEETING



Written by: Rebecca Rule
Directed By: Claire Burbank
and Cassidy Green



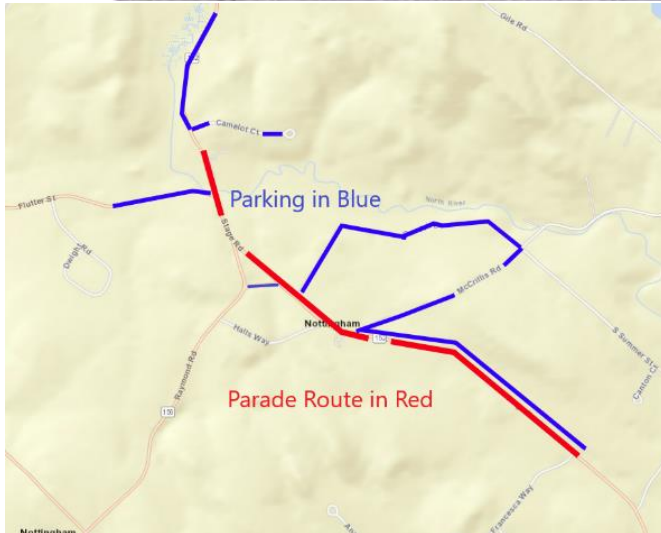


**WINTER
WILDLIFE WALK
SATURDAY, FEB 19TH
9-11AM**

Nottingham's 300th Celebration 🌟

Join the Nottingham Conservation Commission and the Nottingham Trails Crew for a morning exploring tracks and sign of wildlife in this habitat. FREE, all ages welcome, registration required.
Reserve your spot via email: Nottcc2014@gmail.com





Nottingham 300th Potluck Cookout




Open to all town residents & family

WHERE: Pawtuckaway State Park

WHEN: Saturday September 17, 2022

TIME: 11:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

Bring a dish to share
and your beverage of choice-
grills, meats and cooks
Will be supplied!



HOSTED BY THE DEPARTMENT
OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES,
DIVISION OF NH PARKS & RECREATION
& THE NOTTINGHAM 300TH COMMITTEE



Nottingham's Talent Salutes the 300th



Lisa Kennard
Singing the official
Nottingham town song
which she wrote



Claire Burbank and Cassidy Green
Directors of the play, *The Town Meeting*
Performing popular songs



The Sunrise Strummers
Ukulele Band out of Newmarket Senior
Center playing "Golden Oldies" and popular
music



Dan Raymond and Gary Hume
Playing Celtic and Blues Music



Craig Werth
NH Songwriter and multi-
instrumentalist weaves
Folk, Acoustic and
Americana music together



Theresa and Rick Landry
Stolen Covers Duo
Classic Rock Covers

Tuesday 6PM August 16, 2022

RAIN OR SHINE
WHERE: At the Bandstand
139 Stage Rd. Nottingham NH

WHAT: Bring your chairs, your voices, and your
snacks to enjoy this remarkable ending of the
Summer Concert Series as these gems and stars of
local talent salute Nottingham's 300th
Anniversary.

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Steve Soreff, the MC
With Wit and Wisdom

Sound Production by
Schuyler Scribner

TOWN OF NOTTINGHAM'S TRI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION 1722-2022

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
Opening Celebration 1/08 Bonfire	Beard & Mustache Growing Contest Start Basketball Tournament Family Hike/Snowshoe	Pie Social 3/12 Town Meeting Play 3/19 by Becky Rule	Nottingham Town 4/16 Clean Up Day Patriots Day Mini March 4/23	Ree Fishing Derby 5/7 Talk on Henry Dearborn @ Library 5/12 Time Capsule Ceremony Charter Day- Never's Second Regiment 5/15 Band Cruise Around Town- Liar's Paradise 5/24	Women's Club Tea 6/12 Strawberry Shortcake Event 6/18 Historic Town Buildings Tour
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Declaration of Indep. 7/04 Blueberry Baking Contest 7/23 Old Time Baseball Game	Parade & Fireworks 8/13 Blueberry Pancake Breakfast 8/14 Talent Show 8/16 Encampment & Reenactment 8/19-8/20	Town Picnic 9/17 Chili Cook Off 9/24 Farm Day	Recreation and Library Story Walk Launch Chowder Contest 10/8 Scarecrow Contest Recreation Halloween Event 10/22	Veteran's Day 11/11 One Book, One Nottingham- Library	Holiday Parade 12/3 Closing Ceremony

