

## Community in Action 2023

### Glen Oaks Expansion Project



On Sunday June 11, 2023, Conservation Commissioners (and avid Open Space enthusiasts) Rich Cooper and Bill Knee put the Moose Plate Sign in the Glen Oaks Trail Kiosk.

The Town was pleased to recently acquire the 24-acre parcel 04-077 located off Copp Drive to expand the Glen Oaks Town Forest and Conservation Area. This parcel has long been on the radar of our Conservation and Open Space groups for its documented wildlife, natural resources and source water protection. Recently the property became available for sale and the conservation-minded owners worked closely with the Town to make the sale happen. The project, termed the “Glen Oaks Expansion” was funded by a grant from the NH State Conservation Committee Conservation Moose Plate Grant Program (\$30,000) and a grant from the Fields Pond Foundation (\$10,000). The balance of the purchase price came from Town Conservation Funds generated through Land Use Change Tax. These funds are comprised of a portion of the penalties paid by owners when land is removed from Current Use. Special thanks to Land Use Administrative Assistant Leanne Miner for her work on the grants!

Open Space Advocate Rich Cooper at the Glen Oaks Kiosk



Photo courtesy of Bill Knee

“This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in.”  
~Theodore Roosevelt

## **Congratulations**

### **Eagle Scouts**

**Bob Crane    Ben Wells    Jake Higginbottom**

The Eagle Scout Rank and the Service Project: Service to others is an important part of the Scout Oath. "...to help other people at all times." Each year tens of thousands of Scouts strive to achieve the coveted Eagle Scout Rank by applying character, citizenship and Scouting values in their daily lives. One of the rank requirements is to plan, develop and give leadership to others in a service project helpful to any religious institution school or community. Through his requirement, Scouts practice what they have learned and gain valuable project management and leadership experience.

Ben Wells did his Eagle Project to extend the work done in 2022 by Eagle Scout Blake Yaffe.

Blake constructed flag retirement collection bins which are located at the Town Hall and Fremont Public Library. Ben continued that theme in 2023 by building a fire pit at the Fremont Highway Shed for flag retirement ceremonies.

### **Trex Recycling & Kingston Lions Club**

On September 28th members of the Kingston NH Lions Club, President Scott West and



Plastics/Membership Chair Holly Ouellette, brought a newly donated Trex bench to the Town Hall! Thank you Lions Club, and thank you to everyone who is recycling their plastic bags in the drop box at the front of the Town Hall!

The bench is inside for the winter displaying dozens of hats and scarves knitted and crocheted by our friends at the Ray Fre Center! Please help yourself next time you are at the Town Hall!

L to R Back: Holly Ouellette, Heidi Carlson  
Front: Kathy Clement, Nicole Cloutier  
Photo courtesy of Scott West

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

~ Margaret Mead