

Barrington Land Conservation Trust



Record Year for Terrapins

"Unusual" and "remarkable" describe the 23rd year of the Barrington Land Conservation Trust's diamondback terrapin project.

The hands-on study of terrapin egg nesting at the Doug Rayner Wildlife Sanctuary and the newborn turtle march to Hundred Acre Cove saw record numbers in 2012.

- Earliest start for egg laying on May 26
- 179 female nesting terrapins
- 390 hatchlings released

From May through September, some 20 volunteers, students, researchers and many more friends and family members teamed up to count nesting diamondback terrapins, secure eggs and release hatchlings.

The 83-acre Doug Rayner refuge at Nockum Hill is Rhode Island's only established terrapin nesting ground. Nockum Hill is open to the public all year for hiking, birding, and class field trips. Efforts are underway to list the site on the National Register of Historic Places. The diamondback terrapin is classified as state endangered.

Thanks to Charlotte Sornborger for overseeing the program since 1990. And thanks to all volunteers.



Did you know?

The Diamondback Terrapin was designated the official town animal of Barrington in 1993. The resolution was proposed by 5th grader Kate McCalmont.



Upcoming Events

Nov. 10 Lombardi Park
Dedication
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Co-Presidents' Message

The Barrington Land Conservation Trust's initiative for the coming year is simple: To connect people with the land. We aim to increase our community outreach efforts by:

- Engaging and educating more school and civic groups in our conservation projects.
- Raising awareness of the amazing properties that are available to you and your families to walk, hike, and enjoy.
- Showing you how we are effectively spending your generous contributions and membership dollars to protect the great natural beauty of Barrington's land and water.

Conservation involves protecting land, maintaining it, and making sure generations care about it. Our long-term success, therefore, depends upon connecting you to local land and engaging you in caring about its permanent conservation. We hold the lands in our trust for your benefit and we encourage you to get to know the BLCT and its properties today.

Blakely Szosz and Beth Rondeau
Co-Presidents BLCT

Lombardi Park Dedication Nov. 10

Join the BLCT and members of the Lombardi Family for a dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 10 at 2 p.m. at the 3.3-acre park off the East Bay Bike Path. The entrance is on North Lake Drive.

The historic site includes a former swimming hole and ice-making company.

Thanks to the Salvatore and Josephine Lombardi Family, CVS Caremark Charitable Trust, the Town of Barrington and BLCT volunteers.

The rain date is Sunday, Nov. 11.

E-mail info@BLCT.org for more information.



Barrington Land Conservation Trust Co-Presidents Beth Rondeau and Blakely Szosz



Helen Tjader led an Aug. 15 hike at Veterans Park. The hike, swim, and cookout, sponsored with the Bayside YMCA, was one of two BLCT events included in the state-wide Land Trust Days.

Join the New Trails Team

The BLCT has teamed up with the new Trails Team to maintain local trails, parks, and conservation land.

Interested volunteers and sponsors contact Helen Tjader at Helen@acornnpsolutions.com or 401-480-8329

In Memory of Frank "Jack" Clegg

Farmer and longtime supporter of the Barrington Land Conservation Trust, Frank Jackson Clegg, died Aug. 4. He was 93. The Land Trust is honored to be the recipient of donations in his memory.

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Barrington High School students Nicolette Griot and Michaela Hurley are assisting with BLCT's diamondback terrapin study for their senior projects.



New board members Rodney Jacques and Lynne Dolan are two of seven new directors to join the BLCT board this year.

The Barrington Land Conservation Trust has expanded its Board of Directors to 18 members. This year we welcomed six new directors: Peter Burke, Patti Cerilli, Lynne Dolan, Bleu Grijalva, Melissa Horne, and Rodney Jacques.



Thanks to Clare Durst for her years of service on the BLCT Board of Directors. Clare recently moved to Topsham, Maine.

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