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2024-25 Season is ON for Basketball!

It looks like the winter sports season is off to a good start. First, last week, just two days before Christmas the ME Hornets met the Mascomet Chieftains for a home game, and the Lady Hornets left it all on the court in a match against a larger school. Left, Ella Arntsen drives to the paint through the Masco defenders. An exciting game led to a Masco win 57-47. Then, two days after Christmas, above, it was the boys turn, taking on a challenging match with a strong Millbury team. Leading by only five points going into the last quarter, the Hornets stood tall as the defense stepped up and Johnny Chareas (pictured here) dropped in six points to help lead ME to a 43-33 victory.

(Photos: Paul Clark)

2024: The Year That Was

Each year at this time, we republish snippets of the year's events that have made their way onto the pages of the newspaper. The "Year in Review," printed in two consecutive editions, provides a momentary slowing to reflect on 2024 before answering the call of 2025.

And what a year it has been. Significant steps taken this past year promise giant changes in the years ahead. Manchester's denial last year of a 40B housing comprehensive permit in the town's Limited Commercial District (LCD) was appealed, and that



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trial played out starting in March. That same month, another application was made for a biotech campus, also in the LCD, that, when approved, would be the largest construction project in the town's history. Then, in Manchester, there was the state-mandated consideration of liberalized multifamily zoning around the commuter rail station. In Essex, his-

toric zoning was carefully crafted all year by the Planning Board in an effort to finally close the loop on that town's history of "anything, anywhere" zoning. And, finally, for the Manchester Essex Regional School District, it was a fight to pass a budget without risking the strife and cuts that have plagued so many other districts in the Commonwealth.

Despite a year of tough exchanges and debates, it's comforting and even satisfying to revisit our community's life. Team sports and games and rites and rituals of school life. The passing

of important people in local life. The progress of our volunteer boards and the Town Meetings and elections that posed important questions to voters in Manchester and Essex. Profiles of the businesses and organizations that serve us. And the celebrations and milestones of people who live here.

We hope you enjoy looking back at the year as much as we have.

May your holiday be spent happily and safely with family, friends, and neighbors.

Back to our regular coverage, next week!



Golden Hornets Awarded to Public School Educators

Joanne Seaman, Maria Schmidt, Ross Cowman, and Joe Janack were among 145 Manchester Essex teachers, staff and coaches recognized

This week, the Spaulding Education Fund delivered nearly 400 Golden Hornet awards to teachers, coaches, and staff across the Manchester Essex Regional School District, recognizing their impact on students. Nominated by students, honorees came from all four district schools, the administration, and athletics. Each recipient received a golden hornet pin, a personalized badge, and a certificate with students' words of gratitude.

The program also included a Diamond Hornet award for the most nominations, which went to Maria Schmidt, Administrative Assistant at Manchester Memorial Elementary. Other standout recipients included middle and high school band director Joe Janack, Memorial nurse Joanne Seaman, and Sixth-Grade science teacher Ross Cowman.

Golden Hornet donations raised over \$3,000 for educational grants. This spring, Spaulding awarded \$27,000 for innovative programs, supporting opportunities beyond the district's tax-funded budget.

MAY & JUNE



HIT THE STREET! in late May, it was time for that annual rite of passage, the "Hit the Street for Little Feet" as a parent teacher organization fundraiser. Seen here is the start of the race for the youngster groups, blasting through the starting line at Manchester Memorial School. (Photo: Erika Brown)

Weekly Weather Chart

Saturday 4 Jan		37°	33°
Sunday 5 Jan		34°	31°
Monday 6 Jan		35°	35°
Tuesday 7 Jan		36°	31°
Wednesday 8 Jan		36°	31°
Thursday 9 Jan		36°	31°
Friday 10 Jan		35°	31°

Weather data pulled Wednesday and is subject to change.

Shave to Save Returns



This Monday, May 20 local barbers and hairdressers set up shop outside the newly-opened The James in Essex to get down to business! The business at hand was to shave the heads of all willing participants in the annual Shave

to Save event to raise money for St. Jude's Hospital. This year had, as always, a great turn out. Scott Broderick looked on as his two children Elizabeth and Brenden helped to shave heads. Scott shared that they lost his wife to cancer last July. He noted

how proud he was of his kids for participating. As always, Dawn Burnham was organizing and just being generally wonderful. A group of local musicians played inside while the shaving happened out front, all in all it was a beautiful gathering for a great cause.

MBTA Zoning Proposal Goes to the State for Review

The Planning Board voted 6-1 Monday to advance its draft of the proposed Community Housing Overlay District for the MBTA Zoning Bylaw to the Select Board.

The Planning Board's recommendation was for the Select Board to then advance the draft to the state's Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, who will rule if the town's draft complies with Section 3A of the state's Zoning Act.

"The question (the state) will answer is if it is compliant with the law and regulations," said Planning Board Chairman Sarah Creighton. "The vote is not to endorse (the motion) to the voters one way or the other."

Year In Review

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All the bits and pieces that made 2024 a special one for our community. Feel free to reach out at news@thecricket.com with questions, updates or just to say "hello."

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Obituaries

Following a long-standing tradition, The Cricket publishes obituaries for our readers. Deadline, Tuesdays, 9 a.m. If an obituary cannot be published in time for a service, we will post the notice to our website and Facebook page (facebook.com/TheManchesterCricket).

Kathleen Waters Matthews



Kathleen Waters Matthews, 76 of Manchester-by-the-Sea, passed away December 17,

2024. She was the loving wife of the late George J. Matthews.

Kathy was born December 23, 1947, in St. Augustine, Florida to the late Evelyn (Kelly) and James J. Waters, Jr. She graduated from Cathedral High School (Springfield) and earned an associate's degree in data processing from Springfield Technical Community College.

Kathy was a lover of the arts, particularly music and painting. She was known

for her sense of humor and quick wit. She found joy in the company of children. She was kind and generous and will be missed by many.

Kathy is survived by her brother Richard Waters (Grethe Senneseth) of Bergen, Norway; her sisters Patricia Waters (Erik Holm) of Hudson and Teresa O'Neil (Michael) of Maynard. She was the aunt of Mads Michael Senneseth and Maja Waters Senneseth both of Norway, Richard O'Neil of Milton and Molly O'Neil of Brighton. She also leaves behind several close cousins and friends and extended family.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by two brothers James J. Waters, III and Michael J. Waters.

A special thanks to her caretaker Stephanie for her tender and loving care during the past year.

Her funeral Mass will be held at Visitation Parish, 62 School Street, Manchester-by-the-Sea on January Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 12 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting hours will be held prior to the service at the church beginning at 11 a.m. The burial will be at Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Manchester-by-the-Sea. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Kathy's name to The Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements by the Campbell Funeral Home, 525 Cabot Street, Beverly. Information, directions, condolences at www.campbellfuneral.com.



(Photos: Paul Clark & Erika Brown)

Memorial Day Ceremonies Honor the Fallen

The weather broke long enough for Monday's Memorial Day holiday to provide a beautiful backdrop to moving ceremonies in Manchester and Essex commemorating local

veterans who have served and fallen for our country. At the American Legion in Manchester, three solemn ceremonies and a parade. In Essex, a moving ceremony at Memorial Park. Memo-

rial Day ceremonies honoring local veterans—fallen and serving—took place Monday in Manchester (left) and Essex (right). Father Paul Flammia of Manchester Essex Visitation Parish (Sacred

Heart and St. John's) gave a touching keynote after the reading of "Flanders Field" and spoke of the meaning of red poppies and the wish for peace. This is such an important tradition!



MERSD Pre-Prom 2024 at Tuck's Point

It's a tradition we hope is never abandoned: the ME Regional High School Pre-Prom rite of passage, when juniors and seniors attending the annual high school prom head to Tuck's Point in Manchester for photographs. Honestly, it feels like this is the party before the party! Thanks to Oli Turner for these amazing shots!

(Photos: Oli Turner)

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Out & About 2024 is Here!

Our annual summer Cape Ann season preview is here. The publication, which was sent to 30,000 homes and businesses in Essex, Manchester, Rockport, and Gloucester, was a labor of love, and features what's new in music (and the area's deep heritage in music), eateries, perfect local days, Cape Ann Pride, and Schooner Fest's 40th Anniversary. Just check out this cover photo of a perfect dive at Rockport's Steel Derrick quarry by renowned photographer Michael Prince. Amazing!

ME Lax Boys and Girls Make it to Elite 8 Tourney



ME Hornet Stephen Martin fights through the Bourne defense as the team battled their way to a 17-6 winning score against Bourne in the first round of the Div. 4 MIAA Tournament. (Photo: Paul Clark)

Heading into the first round of the Division 4 tournament, the Manchester Essex lacrosse teams were heavy favorites. The girls, seeded sixth with a 12-4 record, faced 27-seed Lunenburg, while the boys, seeded eighth with a 14-4 record, took on 25-seed Bourne. Both teams delivered dominant wins on June 3, with the boys defeating Bourne 17-6 and the girls cruising past Lunenburg 16-4.

in sport, especially in girls' lacrosse."

On June 5, both teams faced Nipmuc in the Sweet 16, with the boys winning 10-4 and the girls earning another decisive 16-4 victory. These wins propelled both squads into the Elite Eight, where their seasons came to an end. The boys fell to Nantucket, 15-3, and the girls lost to Cohasset, 19-7.

While the losses marked the end of their campaigns, both teams had seasons to remember, with the boys program standing out for its strong showing.

Joanne Seaman—School Nurse, Champion Hugger—Retires After 26 Years



Joanne Seaman, RN, retires this month after 26 years of heartfelt service at Manchester Memorial Elementary School. Known as a "superhero nurse," Seaman has been an integral part of the community, providing care and comfort to students, families, and staff. "Even on my hardest days, I love my job," she reflected. Seaman's career spanned 49 years, with

most of her time dedicated to school nursing. She joined Memorial in the late 1990s as its first dedicated elementary nurse, before school regionalization with Essex and the construction of a new \$56 million building. Despite initial nerves, Seaman quickly became a cornerstone of the school, describing her connection with students, teachers, and parents as familial.



The Planning Board's site visit in the Limited Commercial District for a proposed two-phase, 220,000-square feet of corporate office and laboratory facility in Manchester. (Photo: Erika Brown)

CST Hearing Begins Again in Manchester

The Manchester-by-the-Sea Planning Board began, again, its public hearing with Cell Signaling Technology on Tuesday night.

The company is seeking a comprehensive permit to build a research laboratory campus at 2 Atwater

Ave in Manchester's Limited Commercial District. The new building would be built in two phases with one of two laboratory buildings, a lobby, which would connect the two buildings when both are completed, and a parking garage being built in Phase 1. The second

phase would see the second laboratory built as well as an expanded parking garage.

When completed, about 500 employees would work at the complex, which would be the largest construction project in Manchester's history.

The Planning Board first began the hearing with CST on March 11, but when Planning Board Chairman Ron Mastrogiacomo died and Planning Board member Christine Delisio decided not to run for re-election, the board was in a bind with quorum challenges.



Pride Month Kicks off with Flag Raising on Town Common

June kicked off the nation's celebration of Pride Month, and on Cape Ann, the month will be celebrated for the first time cohesively, organized by the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce and the Cape Ann

Pride Coalition. Last week, across the area, it was "Cape Ann Pride Weekend," with the weather more than cooperating to support crowds at more than a dozen events from a Family Pride Picnic at the Cape Ann Museum's

Green Campus, a tea on the pier at Maritime Gloucester, family bowling, and more.



Hornet Mechi O'Neil wins one of her nine draw controls against Lunenburg during Monday's first round in the MIAA Tournament. ME came away with the win 16-4. (Photo: Paul Clark)

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Say hello to the Class of 2024 Manchester Essex Regional High School graduates! The weather was dicey going into Friday's ME Regional High School Commencement Ceremony, but just in time, it cleared for the march of seniors from Manchester and Essex to get their diplomas. Photos: Paul Clark



Last Friday's ribbon cutting at Black Earth Compost's North Shore Regional Compost Facility in Manchester's Limited Commercial District. The 9,000-sf facility promises to be a model for composting statewide. Photo: GCACC

Black Earth Officially Opens Regional Compost Facility, With a Vision

It's taken years of considerable planning, cooperation with the town of Manchester, and substantial state and federal investment, and last week the North Shore Regional Compost Facility—designed and operated by Black Earth Compost—has officially

opened its doors at 201 Pine Street. The grand opening ceremony, held on Friday within the expansive 9,000-sf. facility in Manchester's Limited Commercial District, drew a crowd of more than 100 attendees, including officials from Black Earth

Compost, local and state lawmakers, and federal agency representatives. The turnout is a testament to the successful public-private partnership between Black Earth—founded by three Cape Ann residents including Manchester's Andrew Brousseau—and the town

of Manchester, which partnered with the company six years ago by offering municipal land on School Street in exchange for curbside composting services. Today, Black Earth serves communities from Salisbury down to Boston's South Shore, and it will now operate from the nearly \$3 million state-of-the-art new facility built on a site that formerly was the town dump.



Bittersweet Goodbye to Beverly Low, Retiring Head of MERSD Guidance

After a decade of service, Bev Low is retiring as the head of the Manchester Essex Regional High School Guidance Department, leaving behind a legacy of transformation. Low joined the department during a time of significant change, with college guidance shifting from a straightforward process to a complex journey requiring nuanced support. Drawing on over 25 years of experience in higher education, Low rebuilt the department to meet modern challenges, integrating new technologies like Naviance to expand access to college and career planning for all students.

Her efforts were particularly focused on equity, ensuring that students without a strong college planning background received comprehensive support for applications, financial aid, and scholarships. "Bev has done a tremendous job rebuilding the department," said Superintendent Pam Beaudoin, noting the structure and team Low created reflects the district's values.



ME first singles player, Jack Cummins faces off against his Mystic Valley adversary during their MIAA Elite 8 Div. 4 Tournament. The Hornets moved on to the Final 4 after defeating the Eagles 4-1. (Photo: Paul Clark)

ME Boys Tennis Ready for Final Four

Whether it's familiar opponents like fellow Cape Ann League member Ipswich or a relative unknown like Mystic Valley Regional Charter, the Manchester Essex boys' tennis team seems prepared for pretty much anything. The Hornets finished the regular season with an impressive 14-4 record and the third overall seed in the MIAA Div. 4 tournament, have torn through teams like Springfield International Charter and the aforementioned Tigers and Eagles to make it to the Final Four on June 11 where they will take on a team that has yet to lose a match this season with a Sixth-Grade tennis prodigy at first singles in Pioneer Valley Chinese Immersion Charter School. It is very likely that this team will be up to the challenge because they have been pretty much all season long, and the key reason the Hornets will face an unknown team of this caliber with little fear is due to one of the most challenging schedules in high school tennis.

Final (Four) Countdown for ME Girls Tennis

Another win, another step closer to the promised land for the Manchester Essex girls' tennis team. The Hornets beat Monomoy, 4-1, in the Elite Eight of the MIAA Div. 4 tournament, earning the right to move on and face familiar foe Lynnfield on June 12. A victory would put Manchester Essex back in the Div. 4 state final for the second year in a row to face either number one seed Hamilton-Wenham (last year's state champion) or number four seed Hopedale. Manchester Essex faces the exact same scenario as the one they did at this point in 2023: The Hornets and the Pioneers were seeded second and third, respectively, both last year and this year, with the winner moving on to the state final. Both teams are also charter members of the Cape Ann League, meaning there is more than a little familiarity between the pair of proud and productive tennis programs. But the next week, the team learned the number "3" wasn't necessarily the magic number this time around.

In a competitive match between two titans of the sport in Massachusetts, the Manchester Essex and Lynnfield girls' tennis teams played to a draw during the Final Four matchup between the two Cape Ann League stalwarts. Despite an impressive effort from Sienna Crocker, Lynnfield ended up with the win at third singles in that hotly-contested three-set match to pull out a 3-2 victory on June 12, ending another memorable spring for the Hornets.



This past week the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce held its 44th Annual Small Business Persons of the Year Awards Ceremony honoring local business owners. Amongst the winners for 2024 were Manchester's Erika Brown, Publisher and Editor of the Manchester Cricket, and Ramie Reader, owner and Chief Electrician of Essex's Reader Electrical. The awards highlight outstanding local businesses and the people who make them such a valued and appreciated part of our community here on Cape Ann.



Manchester Sailing Association's popular summer season kicked off this week at Tuck's Point in Manchester. Here (right, sitting and left, standing), instructors Ian Carlin and Cole Coté work with two Optimist Dinghy intermediate sailors to turn their basic sailing skills into a focus on youth competitions and become skilled cruisers and long-distance sailors. Photo: Tommy McCormick

Adieu Sue Thorne



Seasoned MBTS volunteer Sue Thorne read a poem to the many participants who were at a ceremony thanking her for her service to the town, over 40 years. The Tuck's Point Chowder House was standing room only as community members recalled all that she accomplished in Manchester. Tom Kehoe remembered, "If there wasn't a committee for her to chair, or contribute to, we would invent one." A ringing endorsement for an outstanding citizen.

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From left, Nina Goodick, coach Robbie Bilsbury, Finn Birkeland, Charlie Virden, Brodie Tolo, Jack Lawler, Athletic Director Cameron Molinare, Principal Julie Sgroi, and State Rep Ann Margaret Ferrante at the State House on July 17. (Photo: Courtesy Manchester Essex Regional School District)

Cape Ann Community Foundation Celebrates 2024 Grant Recipients

The Cape Ann Community Foundation (CACF) announced its 2024 grant recipients during its inaugural Candlepins for a Cause event at Cape Ann Lanes. Over 90 bowlers and supporters gathered to celebrate the non-profits and programs receiving funding. Since 2015, CACF has awarded more than \$100,000 in grants to over 50 Cape Ann organizations and initiatives include: Essex Historical Society & Shipbuilding Museum, Gloucester High School Vocational Tech, Manchester by the Sea Museum, Manchester by the Sea Summer Stage, Ocean Alliance, Rockport Public Library, Rocky Neck Art Colony, and the Sargent House Museum.

The win gave the Hornets their first state title win since 1998, the year before current coach Rob Bilsbury was hired as coach of the team. "It was an absolutely amazing experience, incredible through and through," Bilsbury says of his team's journey to the state title in 2024. "Throughout the whole season, we've been in this mindset of getting better every day in practice, competing at our highest level, and it was amazing to see the results." He adds: "With Hamilton-Wenham, we lose to them early on, 2-3, and then turn around to beat them, 4-1, to grab a piece of the Cape Ann League title. We won the Cape Ann League Open, an individual tournament, which speaks to the depth of our team. And to have that match against Lynnfield -- who beat us during the season, 5-0, so not many people gave us a chance on paper. We kind of like it that way."

ME Boys Tennis Makes Statement with State Title Win Over Lynnfield

It's been a while, but it was certainly worth the wait. The Manchester Essex Regional High School boys' tennis team won a dramatic, fiercely-contested match by a 3-2 score against Lynnfield in the MIAA Div. 4 State Final game at MIT on June 15.

JULY



The 34th Annual Manchester Essex Rotary Club's annual Red, White & Blue Pancake Breakfast was a big draw again this year. Last Saturday morning's community breakfast featured pancakes (with blueberries, strawberries and whipped cream, delivering the "R/W/B" in the name), bacon and eggs at Manchester's idyllic public park, with all proceeds going to charity. This year, the line for the pony rides with little ones was longer than the meal line! And the Manchester Essex Summerstage crew (in turquoise tee shirts) previewed their songs from "Matilda the Musical," this year's production opening Thursday, July 25! Photos: Paul Clark



Amazing 4th of July!

Manchester's 4th of July is always a celebration, and this year felt especially so. Almost 7,000 people enjoyed the evening fireworks on Singing Beach that took place the night before the 4th of July holiday. Then, the following day, the parade this year was attended by more than we have ever seen. The weather was perfect, the parade route was packed with residents and friends cheering on all the amazing floats.

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Troop 3 Honors Hard Work of Scouts This Spring

Last week's evening of Troop 3's Spring Court of Honor took place on an idyllic summer evening in the side garden of the Scout House with family and friends gathered to attend the end-of-year ceremony, led by scouts to recognize achievement of their fellow scouts.

The Court of Honor is a formal recognition ceremony for Scouts who have earned merit badges, rank advancement and awards

since the Winter Court of Honor. Troop 3 has recaptured much of its energy and verve, following a transition years ago to welcome girls into scouting and new leaders joining the traditional slate of volunteers who guided Troop 3 for decades.

Following the ceremony, as dusk settled in at around 8:30 p.m., everyone was invited to the rear of the property on School Street to enjoy a campfire.



Ken Davis, manager of Cape Ann Savings Bank's Manchester branch, who retired July 10, with his hand-picked successor, Krystal Williams. (Photo: Erika Brown)

After 44 Years, Ken Davis Can Relax

Downtown Manchester will feel different next week as Ken Davis, vice president and Manchester branch manager of Cape Ann Savings Bank, retires after 44 years in local banking. His last day is July 10, just two days after his 66th birthday. Stepping into his role will be Krystal Williams, his long-time colleague and protégé.

Ken's journey in banking began humbly as a teenage cashier at Anisquam Village Market, where he first learned the importance of community ties and customer relationships. Over the years, he brought these lessons to Cape Ann Savings, becoming a trusted fixture in the community. From supporting local businesses like Laughing Gull Café to leading initiatives

like Manchester's "Music in the Park" series, Ken has consistently demonstrated his commitment to community service. His volunteer work ranges from cooking Portuguese Pot Roast dinners for local clubs to serving hot dogs at summer concerts. "You can always count on Ken," said Allan Kirker of the Manchester Club and American Legion Post 113.



MBTS Jazz Fest Returns, Supersized

The hopping energy of the MBTS Jazz Fest returned for its third year, with an expanded lineup of local musical talent that promises to tap into back-in-the-day memories while raising money for the town's 4th of July Parade. Started by local Manchester natives Greg Cook, John Filias, and Scott Milne, MBTS Jazz Fest was designed to recreate the musical spirit they grew up with that flourished around Manchester and Cape Ann in the 1970s and 1980s. This year the festival took place in late July overlooking the inner harbor at the American Legion Hall, providing a perfect backdrop for an evening of exceptional jazz and features a significantly expanded music lineup, including HDRnB featuring Henley Douglas Jr., Jay Aptt and the MaliCaminos, and the Cape Ann Youth Big Band. Amazing!

AUGUST



Dana Woulfe and Claire Yukins were the big winners in last weekend's MBTS Fishing Tournament. (Photo: Sally Berkowitz, Mandy Beausoleil)



MBTS Fishing Tournament 2024 Winners

Last weekend's Fifth Annual MBTS Fishing Tournament went for three days, with anglers fishing local waters from Friday to Sunday and many records were made this

year. In all, 136 anglers logged 365 fish totalling 9,402 inches in the catch and release tournament. Competitors registered fish by snapping a photo on boat before releasing their fish back to

the waters of Cape Ann. In the end, more than 16 species of fish were caught by all competitors, including more than 30 fish caught that measured more than 40 inches. Wow!



History Made in Essex

On Monday Essex's Megan Wonson graduated the Massachusetts Police Academy training, making her the first ever fulltime female police officer in Essex. Hosted by the Mu-

nicipal Police Training Committee at the J. Everett Collins Center in Andover, the ceremony honored Wonson and other officers who completed training as part of this year's class. Wonson had a show

of support on hand for this historic moment. Here, from left, is Essex Police Sergeant Daniel Bruce, Police Chief Paul Francis, Board of Selectmen Chair Ruth Pereen, Officer Wonson, Board of Selectmen member Alva Ingaharro, and Police Sergeant Thomas Shamshak. (Courtesy image)



SAY CHEESE! At Saturday's Festival-by-the-Sea in Manchester, two youngsters brought a large snake from the Cape Ann Vernal Pond booth into their social media feed, posing for selfies while offering a series of animated expressions for the camera. The community event went off without a hitch and was well attended despite the heat. (Photo: Erika Brown)

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June Gambale, as Matilda Wormwood, in last week's Summerstage production of Matilda: The Musical!

Photo: Paul Clark

Manchester SummerStage's Mathilda – A Little Bit Naughty

The Manchester SummerStage delighted local audiences with four performances of Roald Dahl's ever enchanting Matilda. This musical rendition, a lively, frolicsome interpretation of Dahl's be-

loved story, proved to be a little bit naughty—and a whole lot of fun.

June Gambale, who stars as Matilda Wormwood is outstanding and may very well have stolen the show were she not in such tal-

ented company. A hilarious and meticulously acted Miss Agatha Trunchbull was played brilliantly by Manchester's Josh Cohen. Followed closely by Brynn Gaffney as Mrs. Wormwood with comedic detail and tim-

ing that was absolutely spot on, and her husband Mr. Harry Wormwood, played by Isaac Starr Collins. Balancing out these more vivacious characters was Cate Vendt who played the kind and soulful Miss Jennifer Honey with a delicate believability and Mona Pasquarello as the spirited librarian.

True to Dahl's work the show was a wild and wacky ride, cheeky and charming.



Margaret Noonan Driscoll Appointed a Trustee of the Cape Ann Savings Bank

Cape Ann Savings Bank has appointed Manchester resident and former three-term Select Board member Margaret "Muffin" Noonan Driscoll as a bank trustee. Muffin, a former three-term member of Manchester's Select Board, is a strong believer in the 178-year-old bank's mission of supporting and giving back to its communities and currently serves as a Corporator of Cape Ann Savings Bank, a position she has proudly held since 2019. Muffin worked for the

Warren Five Cents Savings Bank for more than 10 years. But many, many local families know Muffin for the two decades working in the Manchester-Essex Regional School District after she left the banking industry. Today, Muffin works at Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody, where she works closely with the dean of students. She is also on the board of directors at Action Inc., and a founding member of the Hooper Fund's Board of Directors.

Dianne Bucco Leaves Manchester as Essex Hires a New Town Clerk

There's been a changing of the guard in the Town Clerk offices of Manchester and Essex. First, Manchester Town Clerk Dianne Bucco is leaving her post to return to her former position as Town Clerk in Wenham. At the same time, the Town of Essex announced it has hired a new Town Clerk after losing the one who joined just three months ago. With a busy election season coming up, the timing for departures and arrivals of town clerks is fraught. In Essex, locals will welcome new Town Clerk Holly Dash on Monday, September 9. She replaces Ann Dunne, who came to Essex only in late April but resigned in July for family reasons. Dunne's last day is this Friday, and Assistant Town Clerk Vickie Cataldo will serve as temporary town clerk until Dash's arrival. In Manchester, pressure to replace Dianne Bucco will be considerable to bridge the gap during a busy time.

ITL Season Closes

The 2024 Intertown Twilight League (ITL) Baseball season is over now that Hamilton has won the championship for the third season in a row by sweeping the Manchester/Essex Mariners three out of five. The Mariners wrapped up the 2024 season with a gathering at the American Legion, enjoying pizza and the drawing of the 2024 annual equipment raffle. The team and coaches want to thank all who purchased tickets. Winners included Calin Rogers, Dewy Klebart, Cory Burnham, Alex Ray, Stonybrook Water, Bob Whynott. See you next summer for great baseball!



Back to School 2024!

Wednesday marked the official end of summer, at least for kiddos and their parents who headed back to the official first day of the 2024-2025 academic school year at (from left) Manchester Memorial Elementary, Essex Elementary School, and ME Regional Middle High School.

Photos: Paul Clark, Erika Brown



Welcome Back!

Back to School for students throughout the Manchester Essex Regional School District may have been on Wednesday morning, but last week it was their teachers who had their first day back to work after a summer off. And on the first day, some former colleagues in the district met incoming staff with a welcome aimed solely at them, showing off an unmatched level of comradery.

(Photo: Jennifer Brown)

Of Flags and Flagpoles

How best to manage the flying of various flags on the Manchester Town Hall Common has become a heated debate. The Select Board is very supportive of allowing commemorative flags to be flown that go along with Board proclamations that celebrate important events and represent the rich diversity of our community. For example, the Board has approved proclamations denoting June as "Pride Month" in Town to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community and has participated in the Pride flag raising events at Town Hall. The Board fully anticipates continuing this practice going forward.

The Town Hall flagpole has traditionally been in front of the Police Station. The original pole was replaced a few years ago when the new Honor Role for Manchester residents who have served in the military was constructed. The new flagpole is an integral element of the Honor Role layout. To many residents, the construction of the Honor Role changed the nature of the use of the flagpole, dedicating it solely to honoring those who have served in the military. To do this best, goes the thinking, only the American flag and the MIA/POW flag should be flown on this pole, not other commemorative flags. The Select Board is sympathetic to this thinking but does not want to eliminate the option to fly commemorative flags on the Common. Thus, the Board is looking into the option of a new flagpole located near the fountain on the Common and close to the Central and School Street intersection where it would have a more prominent and visible location.



Experience Matters for ME Golf Team

As recently as 2021, the Manchester Essex golf team had to rely on a waiver that allowed middle school golfers to play on the high school team so there were enough players to fill out a roster - a group that included four returnees from the prior season, a Seventh Grader, and a pair each of Eighth Graders and freshmen. Just a few years later, things have changed quite a bit for the MERHS golf team.

"We actually had to make some cuts this year," explains ME golf coach Bill Melvin. "We've never done that before. Three years ago, we had to have Seventh Graders playing on the team. Now, we have a bunch of guys back that have played before and have plenty of experience."



ME Hornet Brigid Carovillano will be the starting keeper for this season's Lady Hornets field hockey team.

Photo: Paul Clark



ME Football Return to Form in 2024 Hinges on Returning Players

Just ahead of the start of a new season for any high school sports team, one of the first questions asked is, "So, who's back?"

For the Manchester Essex Regional High School football team, the answer to that question has an added layer than it might have in previous seasons. Yes, some talented starters from a team that won five games, earned a playoff berth and advanced to the MIAA Div. 7 Sweet 16 are now gone after graduating in the spring, which is usually the case for most squads. And, yes, a handful of experienced veterans are coming back to pick up the baton, along with some new faces on varsity hoping to fill new roles.

What is unique about some of these returnees is that they have starting experience under their belts due to a factor that was considered an unfortunate turn of events in 2023: injuries. "We lost some really key contributors to graduation for sure, but also dealt with a lot of injuries last season which led to a lot of young guys getting put into varsity spots," explains Manchester Essex football coach Josiah Grimes.

Despite Roster Turnover, ME Field Hockey Aims to Continue Winning Ways

Two years ago, the Manchester Essex field hockey team made it all the way to the Div. 4 State Final. Last year, it was a run to the Final Four.

Reaching those heights again in 2024 will not be easy. The Hornets lost a

whole lot of talent to graduation last year, and that means those returning for this season will be assuming new roles for the first time, and in some instances assuming the mantle of leadership. This level of turnover represents the great unknown for

one of the most successful high school sports programs in the Cape Ann League and in Division 4 over the last few years.

"This team is one of the younger teams that I've coached in my four seasons at Manchester Essex," ex-

plains ME field hockey coach Courtney Brown. "While I'm not willing to label it a rebuilding year, we have a lot of work to do as far as adopting a new formation and developing connections on the field by players who are stepping into new roles. This group is ready to work hard toward our goals of leading the CAL and earning each and every win."



2024 Manchester Elder Brethren, the "Old Man's Picnic" which is a tradition that has been held every August at the Tuck's Point Chowder House for 147 years.



Todd Crane, left, president of the Manchester Elder Brethren, presented the Boston Post Cane to Russ Aldrich on Saturday at Tuck's Point honoring him as the eldest male citizen in Manchester. Essex County District Attorney Paul Tucker, the featured speaker this year, is at the far right. (Photos: Paul Clark)

147TH Meeting of the Elder Brethren

A beautiful sunny day at Tuck's Point welcomed members of the Elder Brethren for their annual meeting, meal and fellowship. The "brothers" started to gather prior to 11 a.m.

and enjoyed the hors d'oeuvres and punch bowls. Just prior to 12 noon the traditional photo was taken on the steps of the Chowder House and then the members settled in for a lunch consisting of

salad, fish and clam chowder, lobster rolls, chips and apple pie with cheddar cheese.

During the business meeting, the registration report was given showing 56 members present.

Chris Glass Jr. was the youngest new member in his 49th year. The three most senior members were Harry Parsons, age 90, Tony Bullcock, age 93 and Russ Aldrich, age 98. Russ was awarded the Elder Brethren Cane as the most senior member present.

The Slade Eaton Trophy was

awarded for the 33rd time to an individual who has given service to the Elder Brethren as well as outstanding service to others. The trophy was awarded to former Elder Brethren Secretary, Story High School Class of 1956 graduate and athlete and long-time volunteer William "Jessie" James.



Meet MBTS Town Clerk Christine Dixon

Last week, Manchester welcomed Christine Dixon as its new Town Clerk, Christine Dixon, who will fill the position vacated by Dianne Bucco, who left to serve the same role in her hometown of Wenham.

Dixon is a veteran town clerk and someone with strong local ties. Christine worked in the town way back in 2013 at Essen (now the Laughing Gull Cafe) and at Manchester-by-the-Book after she graduated from Gordon College. So, she loves this area. Professionally, Dixon brings strong experience to Manchester. She served

for four years in the Town Clerk's office in Amesbury and for the last five years, Dixon has been the Assistant Town Clerk for the City of Beverly, which has given her exposure to bigger systems and bigger challenges.

One of Dixon's first orders of business has been to tackle the 2024 election logistics, which includes early voting that will begin in several weeks and continue through Election Day on Tuesday, November 5th.



IT'S GO, GO, GO TIME AT THE HAPPY AS A CLAM RACE IN ESSEX! As an old children's television show song went, "Go, go, go! You can't go fast if you go too slow!" That was the theme last Friday for the packed Happy as a Clam Race and Walk, the wildly popular fundraiser held each year by the Essex Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization. These kiddos started the event with the "Fun Dash" before older participants headed out for the 5K run. Food trucks, the Essex Clam mascot and onlookers rounded out the crowds at the Essex Elementary School playground. (Photo: Paul Clark)

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OCTOBER



RIP Gordon MacDougall

Sadly, it has come to our attention that Manchester's own, Gordon MacDougall, has died at the remarkable age of 101. A true original, Gordon was the proud multi-year recipient of both the Boston Post Cane and the Manchester Elder Brethren's award celebrating our town's eldest citizen. A service was held on Thursday, October 3 at the Cornerstone Church.

MBTA Zoning, Wobblin' Goblin, More Open Space, and Celebrating Ron Mastrogiacommo

There's a lot going on this season, including the state-mandated consideration in November of a zoning change to encourage added housing in Manchester, what's going on this year with the Wobblin' Goblin, chipping in \$250K in CPC funds for the Greenbelt's expansion of open space, and a public event next week to celebrate our own Ron Mastrogiacommo.

Manchester is bustling with key events and initiatives this season. Coming up on November 18, town meeting voters will decide on adopting state-mandated MBTA Zoning, which allows by-right multifamily housing with a 20 percent affordable component. The proposed overlay districts aim to address housing shortages and affordability, but critics fear overreach, threats to town character, and resource strain.

In remembrance, a Celebration of Life for Ron Mastrogiacommo, former Planning Board Chair and dedicated community member, will be held on October 25 at 2 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

Halloween festivities continue with the expanded Wobblin' Goblin event on October 28. Starting at 9:30 a.m. at Town Hall, the parade includes stops for treats, ending at Masconomo Park with games, hayrides, a petting zoo, and more.

Finally, the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) has proposed allocating \$250,000 toward Essex County Greenbelt's purchase of 330 acres near Dexter's Pond, ensuring permanent conservation. The measure will be put to Manchester voters in November.

MBTS HarvestFest & Carnival Goes Off Without a Hitch



It was awfully hard to miss, a big carnival set up at Masconomo Park this past weekend. The 2024 HarvestFest/Carnival took place to stellar weather and, hopefully, they pulled in a record financial haul since it was a fundraiser for the Manchester Essex Athletic Boosters. Organizers Emily McCavanagh and Tyler Pinstein said the event's success came at a good time, since the Boosters are celebrating 50 years in 2024.



A strong showing of the Manchester-by-the-Sea Museum board braved the rain last Thursday for the official ribbon cutting of the museum's new portico, which restored an original exterior element of the Trask House that had been missing for more than 100 years. From left, board members Axel Magnuson, David Lumsden, Suzanna Thompson, Rebecca Campbell, John Round, Marianne Coons, Mary Minott, Carol Bundy, Tom Dirken (museum president), Constance Leahy, Alison Anholt-White, Matt Genta, and museum associate director Matthew Swindell. Photo: Erika Brown



ME Athletics ... WOW!

The Hornets have jumped-started their fall season across all sports. As of press time:

the Golf team is 10-2 and in contention for the CAL Baker Division title. They will be sending golfers to the Cape Ann Cup and from there to the State Championships. Our football team is 3-1 after a drubbing of Brighton, 50-8. Girls' cross country is 1-3 with one home meet left. The field hockey team has had an astounding beginning of the season with a record of 8-1-2, the wins were shut outs (8) and they only lost one game 3-1. Moving on to boys' soccer they are 7-2-1 with five shut outs. The girls' soccer team is 5-3-2 with four shut outs.



CAPE ANN PLEIN AIR 2024 IS HERE

This week, 35 artists from Cape Ann and across the country arrived for this year's regional weeklong outdoor art festival and competition, now one of the biggest in the US. On Monday, they were busy at the Essex Shipbuilding Museum.



ME Hornets golf team, picture from left to right are Ian Campbell, Jack Lawler, Robbie McLaughlin, Henry Swerdloff and Matthew Graeter. Photo: Paul Clark

ME Golf Completes Stellar Regular Season, Readies for Postseason

This fall will be a hard one to top, even for a team that was itself hard to top during the 2024 regular season. The Manchester Essex golf team just completed one of its best seasons in recent memory, finishing up with a record of 12-2, just a hair behind rival Hamilton-Wenham for the top spot overall in the Cape Ann League. In a season filled with highlights, the Hornets' 176-162 win over Newburyport on October 9 is one of the most impressive. Every Manchester Essex golfer scored 24 points or better to earn a rare win over one of the better golf programs on the North Shore.



Die Wurst Comes In "Dee Best!"

Weather was no match for Sunday's 15th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta, with eager spectators braving cold and "spitty" rains at Manchester's public boat launch behind Town Hall to cheer on home-made cardboard racing boats with names like the "SS Gnarwhal," "Kiss My Grass," and "Tippy." But in the end, it was "Die Wurst" that won First Place, seen here manned by Adrian Argento and Taylor Hwong. In the end, an epic day of raucous fun.

NOVEMBER

MERHS Named to Advanced Placement School Honor Roll

The Manchester Essex Regional High School has earned a Bronze distinction on the 2024 Advanced Placement (AP) School Honor Roll. The AP School Honor Roll recognizes schools that have done outstanding work to welcome more students into AP courses and support them on the path to college success. The AP School Honor Roll offers four levels of distinction: Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. MERHS was judged on criteria including its College Culture, College Credit, and College Optimization, ultimately earning the Bronze distinction.

The Bronze distinction indicates that 84 percent of MERHS seniors have taken at least one AP exam during their high school career. Of that 84 percent, 79 percent of students achieved a passing score of three or higher. During the 2024 AP exam period, 149 students took an AP exam, with 92 percent scoring a three or higher.



RIP Chris Glass

Sadly, it has come to our attention that Chris "Bubba" Glass has died. Chris was a lifelong aviator who flew helicopters for the US Army during the Vietnam War and then for decades in the private sector serving Boston Medflight and global clients. Old timers will remember that Chris also ran Glass Taxi in Manchester in the 1970s and, more recently, he piloted the harbor launch boat service for nearly a decade.



Manchester Approves MBTA Zoning

Manchester by-the-Sea Special Town Meeting voted to accept the MBTA zoning plan after vigorous debate on both sides Monday night at the Manchester Essex High School.

Nearly 900 residents attended the Town Meeting, with most in the gymnasium but a couple hundred in the auditorium. People in the auditorium were able to listen to the discussion in the gymnasium and their comments and questions were broadcast to the gymnasium.

The final vote on the MBTA zoning article was 636 in favor, 214 against and 7 abstained. Planning Board and MBTA Zoning Task Force member Sue Philbrick explained the state law, its requirements and the Task Force's reasoning in choosing the areas to be re-zoned.

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State Overturns SLV Denial, Town Plans Appeal

The Massachusetts Housing Appeals Committee has ruled in favor of developer Geoffrey Engler and the SLV housing project proposed for Shingle Place Hill off School Street in Manchester's Limited Commercial District. The town's Zoning Board of Appeals had voted August 16, 2022 to reject Engler's application for a comprehensive permit under the state's 40B regulations for the 136-unit apartment complex to be known as The Sanctuary at Manchester-by-the-Sea. Thirty-four of the units (25%) would be listed as affordable. Engler, the managing partner of Strategic Land Ventures, had appealed the town's rejection to the state's Housing Appeals Committee (HAC) on September 15, 2022.

Now, more than two years later, the HAC produced a 60-page draft decision in October that was shared publicly. Both sides were given two weeks to make small factual corrections to the decision, according to Town Administrator Greg Federspiel. The HAC signed the final decision the following month. The town's Select Board will appeal the state's issuance of the comprehensive project permit.

Meanwhile ... Essex Voters Deny, Delay Historic Rezoning



While Manchester residents packed their Special Town Meeting to address MBTA Zoning, Essex residents were busy at their own Fall Town Meeting, where they stopped the adoption of new zoning by the Planning Board that would

have dramatically expanded residential property protections because it was deemed anti-business and pushed too much gentrification, too quickly. Most of the 386 residents at Monday's Fall Town Meeting voted to "indefinitely

postpone" consideration of Article 3 that would have established two new residential districts covering most of Essex and would only consider business use in the districts by Special Permit. The postponement gives the Planning Board's time

to strike a better balance between residential business property use regulations and return to voters as soon as Spring 2025. Voters stopped short of outright rejecting the article, which would have prevented revisiting it for three years.

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DECEMBER



It's the Holidays!

It was a wonderful Senior Holiday Party at The James in Essex on Tuesday. Dawn Burnham (dressed as a Christmas Elf, foreground) reported that the food was delicious. One of the restaurant's owners, Mary

Kiehly, presented prize winners Jean Balland and Carla Symonds with gift certificates for The James. The Essex Council on Aging will return in March for a St. Patrick's Day lunch, which promises to be both authentic and spectacular.



The team at the Manchester Fire Dept., before heading out on Santa's Fire Truck Ride in Manchester on Sunday. From left, James Doucette, Billy Bell, Jackson Wood, Clint Hatch, John Happel, and Henry McNeilly. Courtesy image



From the Holiday Stroll on Friday, the Jingle Bell Walk on Saturday to the Lighting of the Friendship Tree on Sunday, this year's Christmas by the Sea festival in Manchester was a great time for all. Thanks to everyone and every group that made this year such a success. Residents enjoyed the holiday season, and wished each other well as they look to 2025.



CST Development Manager Peter Gourdeau with Beverly attorney Mark Glovsky Monday night as the Planning Board approved CST's permit to build a corporate campus in Manchester's Limited Commercial District. (Photo: Jeff Pope)

Cell Signaling: Approved

Biotech firm secures unanimous Planning Board approval for largest construction project in Manchester's history

After six months of hearings, the Manchester By-The-Sea Planning Board approved a special permit for Cell Signaling Technology at Monday night's meeting.

"Well, that was all anti-climactic," said CST attorney Mark Glovsky after the board voted 6-0 in favor of the special permit.

Chairman Sarah Creighton and members Sue Philbrick, Laura Tenney, Peter Morton, Gordon Brewster and via Zoom, Chris Olney, all voted in favor of project. Planning Board member Mary Foley was absent.

Actually, the hearing for CST started earlier than last spring. The hearing began last winter but when Planning Board Chairman Ron Mastrogiamco died suddenly in April, CST agreed to restart the hearing after town election in May.

The project will be built in two phases. When completed it will have a 260,000 square foot laboratory, research and development facility, a 479-space parking garage and about 500 employees. It will be located at 2 Atwater Ave., just north of the Manchester Athletic Club.

The board spent about 40 minutes going over a draft of the special permit, making small adjustments and corrections.



RIP Bruce MacDonald, Former Manchester Fire Chief

Sadly, it has come to our attention that Bruce MacDonald, Manchester's former Fire Chief, has died. MacDonald was 40 years into his tenure at the Manchester Fire Dept. in 1996 when he was named Fire Chief. He was a seasoned S.A.F.E. (Student Awareness of Fire Safety) program teacher and had fought all of Manchester's major fires, beginning in 1957 with the woods fire and including the 1989 10-alarm Manchester Marine fire, the 1991 Renaissance Farm fire, the Allen house fire, the Scott Oil Garage fire, the Janisch house fire, the Fraser house fire, and the Cooke house fire. The photograph above of MacDonald with local children ran in The Cricket just as he was named by the Board of Selectmen to the role of Chief.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Manchester Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing regarding an application for Special Permit filed by Joe Cunningham for 23 Old Neck Rd. The project involves the razing of an existing non-conforming dwelling and construction of new conforming dwelling and garage. The Public Hearing will be discussed at a hybrid meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 7:00pm in Room 5 at Town Hall located at 10 Central St, and on Zoom. Zoom information will be posted on the MBTS website.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Manchester Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing regarding an application for Special Permit filed by Lynn Marshall for 7 Highwood Road. The project proposes a covered walkway between an existing garage and an existing house, creating a single structure subject to the main structure setbacks. The Public Hearing will be discussed at a hybrid meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 7:00pm in Room 5 at Town Hall located at 10 Central St, and on Zoom. Zoom information will be posted on the MBTS website.

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\$1,395,000 | Emily McPherson
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NORTH READING
\$595,000 | Jackelyn Enslow
 Move in ready, first-floor unit offers an open-concept layout. Large bedroom and versatile flex space, in-unit laundry. Amenities include clubhouse, fitness center, grilling stations and walking trails.



ROCKPORT
\$375,000 | Ann Olivo & Rick Marshall
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22 Clifton Ave. Salem | \$739,000
 22 Clifton Ave, Salem, (the desirable forest river area). A lovely 3-BR/2 BA colonial, right next to the ocean, (although no water views). Gorgeous kitchen, 2 really nice full bathrooms, a first-floor home office and a working wood fireplace. 2-car detached garage with plenty of off-street parking and spacious front yard. Freshly painted, with recently refinished hardwood floors throughout.
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