

Hi everyone,

I am writing to invite you to the Canterbury, NH Fiddler's Picnic. For various reasons we weren't able to schedule it at the usual time, and didn't know the final date until nearly the last minute, so it's unfortunately only a couple weeks away as I write.

If you don't want to receive further such mailings (for future picnics), let me know and I'll remove you from the list. (If you made such a request last year it may have gotten lost; I should have a better system this year!)

Fourteenth Annual Fiddler's Picnic
Canterbury, NH ~ Sunday September 18, 2011 ~ 3:00-6:00 by the Parish House

Please join the Canterbury Conservation Commission on Sunday, September 18 from 3:00-6:00 by the Parish House downtown (inside in case of rain) for the Fourteenth Annual Fiddler's Picnic, a summer/fall celebration of community and music-making. Teresa Wyman and I are hosting this year's gathering.

We will be at our usual location by the Parish House. We thank the Conservation Commission for sponsoring the event, and for much help and enthusiasm in putting on the event. As always the event is a fundraiser, so contributions to the Conservation Commission's land protection fund will be appreciated!

All musicians are invited join us for an afternoon of fiddling. We'll play tunes together as a group. I will include a list of tunes that might be appropriate for group fiddling at the end of the final announcement. Feel free to invite other musicians who might be interested in attending and playing. People who play other instruments appropriate for traditional music are welcome too, of course, as are people who play instruments outside the tradition but in an appropriate manner.

I'll bring my keyboard along for accompaniment - hopefully someone besides me will want to play it! If you want to play another instrument to accompany us bring it along; and if you know someone who might like to accompany a horde of fiddlers on piano or another instrument that would be great. We'll also invite individuals or groups of fiddlers to play tunes of their choice at various times during the afternoon.

Please bring a contribution for the potluck picnic, as well as blankets and folding chairs. The Conservation Commission will provide water, lemonade, paper goods and utensils.

For further information, respond to this e-mail, or call Teresa Wyman of the Conservation Commission at 783-9826. You can also see photos and get some additional information at <<http://picnic.nhcountrydance.com>> - a web site I've created for the Fiddler's Picnic. Make sure to tell anyone about it who isn't sure what the Picnic is all about!

Directions from the Seacoast area or the west are in an attachment, as is the tune list. They are also available from the web site.

We hope to see you there,
Teresa and Peter