



coming events

Quabbin/Ware River Region

Department of Conservation and Recreation, Division of Water Supply
Protection Headquarters: 100 Winsor Dam Road, Belchertown, MA
01007

All programs are scheduled for 2pm. **In person seating is limited to 45 people.**
In case of bad weather we will convert to 100% virtual program. Follow link to
register or go to [Quabbin Reservoir Upcoming Events web page](#).

DCR Les and Terry Campbell Quabbin Visitor Center Winter Presentations

Sunday, January 25, 2pm-3pm

Quabbin's Keystone Bridge-Updated

This fall marked the successful completion of the stabilization phase of the historic Keystone Bridge at Gate 30 in New Salem. This essential work marks a major step forward in preserving one of the rarest and most significant dry-stone structures in the Quabbin watershed. This presentation will be led by Michael Weitzner, consultant and dry stone waller. Mr. Weitzner holds a Master Craftsman certificate issued by the Dry Stone Walling Association of Great Britain. This program will be presented virtually.

Register here: [Sunday January 26, 2-3pm Quabbin's Keystone Bridge-Updated Virtual Only](#)

Sunday, February 1, 2pm-3pm

Virtual Hike of the Road to Dana Common

Along the old road to Dana Common are foundations, fields, walls and trees that tell the story of the towns now long gone. Take a virtual hike and as we talk about the remnants of Valley towns and also about the landscape of the reservoir today.

Register here: [Sunday, February 1, 2pm-3pm Virtual Hike to Dana Common](#)

Sunday, February 15, 2pm-3pm

Safeguarding Quabbin- The Work of a DCR Watershed Ranger

From before the sun rises to well after it sets, DCR Watershed Rangers dutifully safeguard the over 80,000 acres of land and water within the Quabbin Watershed. In this presentation, Ranger Hoy will share an in-depth look into how the ranger division keeps the public and the natural/cultural landscape safe while providing insights into what a day-on-the-job looks like as a ranger.

Register here: [Sunday, February 15, 2pm-3pm Safeguarding Quabbin- The Work of a DCR Watershed Ranger](#)

Sunday, February 22, 2pm-3pm

The Frozen Quabbin: Glacial Geology in Our Watershed

Have you ever wondered about the geologic origin of the landscape we now observe around Quabbin Reservoir? Join us as we explore the genesis of some of the landforms exhibited in the Quabbin and Ware River Watersheds, discuss diagnostic tools used both in the field and at home, and use sediments and geomorphology to try and recreate the ancient landscape from the time when Quabbin was frozen.

Register here: [Sunday, February 22, 2pm-3pm The Frozen Quabbin: Glacial Geology in Our Watershed](#)

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Sunday, March 1, 2pm-3pm

Respect What You Find: DCR's Office of Cultural Resources Stewardship Mission

Cultural Resources are non-renewable material evidence of our past relationships to the lands and waters of Massachusetts over many generations. DCR Office of Cultural Resources archaeological staff will share teachings on how to recognize and respect what you may see while out and about as part of being a good cultural resources steward.

Register here: [Sunday, March 1, 2pm-3pm Respect What You Find: DCR's Office of Cultural Resources Stewardship Mission](#)

Sunday, March 8, 2pm-3pm

The BEAR Necessities - Get to Know Your Neigh-BEARS

Black bears are becoming more common in MA, but how much do you really know about them? How much food do they eat in a day? How big are cubs when they are born? Are bears true hibernators? This program will take a lighthearted look at some of the fun and amazing facts about one of the largest residents of the state.

Register here: [Sunday, March 8, 2pm-3pm The BEAR Necessities - Get to Know Your Neigh-BEARS](#)