# **RECREATION NEWS COVID-19 Edition**



As of this writing, Barre Town has not closed any recreational facilities that are not lockable. If people continue to use good judgement by keeping plenty of room\* between them and others they don't live with, and if more restrictive Governor's Orders are not issued, facilities can stay open. If irresponsible use increases, the town may have no choice but to close facilities. Please, follow CDC guidelines social distancing, handwashing, not touching your face, and only leaving your home for essential functions. At this time, (responsible) exercise is included as an essential function in Governor Scott's Stay Home/Stay Safe Executive Order.

# Responsible Recreation

We are fortunate to have several facilities right in town that allow for social-distancing-friendly recreation by yourself or those you live with. See map on reverse. Mix-'n-match! What activity ideas do YOU have? Post them to the Barre Town Rec Facebook page at facebook.com/aretevt!

### **Town Forest Trails**

-Parking at 44 Brook St & 111 Barclay Quarry Rd.

#### 3 Bike Paths

- -Millstone West: park at Barre Town School.
- -East Barre: Park on Mill St. Nature photography
- -South Barre: No trailhead parking in Barre Town, but you can park near Charlie's • Walk your dog (on a Playground in Barre City and walk to Bridge St.

#### 3 Open Spaces

- -Main Rec Area at 46 Websterville Rd
- -East Barre Park at 12 Pleasant St
- -South Barre Park. Park behind Hannaford.

- · Build a fairy house out of fallen sticks and leaves
- Walk, hike, jog\*
- Bike\*
- Birdwatch
- Nature treasure hunt
- · Outdoor portrait photography
- leash!)
- Have sidewalk chalk? Draw on the paved bike path
- Play catch (with someone you live with!)
- · Make and fly a kite
- Find cloud shapes
- Have a picnic

# **Confirmed Changes**

The usual recreation opportunities in Barre Town have changed to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

#### Facilities:

- Please be aware that the recreation facilities, including the playgrounds, basketball courts and the dog park are NOT being disinfected.
- The Rec Area gate, restrooms, tennis and pickleball courts will remain locked until the Governor's Stay Home/Stay Safe order is lifted.

#### **Town Events:**

- The Barre City/Barre Town Egg Hunt, originally scheduled for Saturday April 11, is postponed. This may be rescheduled.
- The Barre Town Rec Board's Spring into Summer Fest 2020, originally scheduled for Saturday June 6, is can-
- Tennis lessons: The Barre Town tennis program coach, Lee Wilschek, planned to return in 2020. Dates are to be decided pending the run of the pandemic.



\*When exercising, keep much more than 6' away from people you don't live with.

The more strenuous the exercise, the further away, between 10 and 20 yards.



# Scheduled Events—Subject to Change

Ice Cream Socials at the Playgrounds

The Barre Town Rec Board's annual, free, summer ice cream socials are scheduled for July 14 through August 18. All socials start at 6:30pm. Check the town website, Barre Town Rec Facebook page, or Front Porch Forum for the locations closer to.

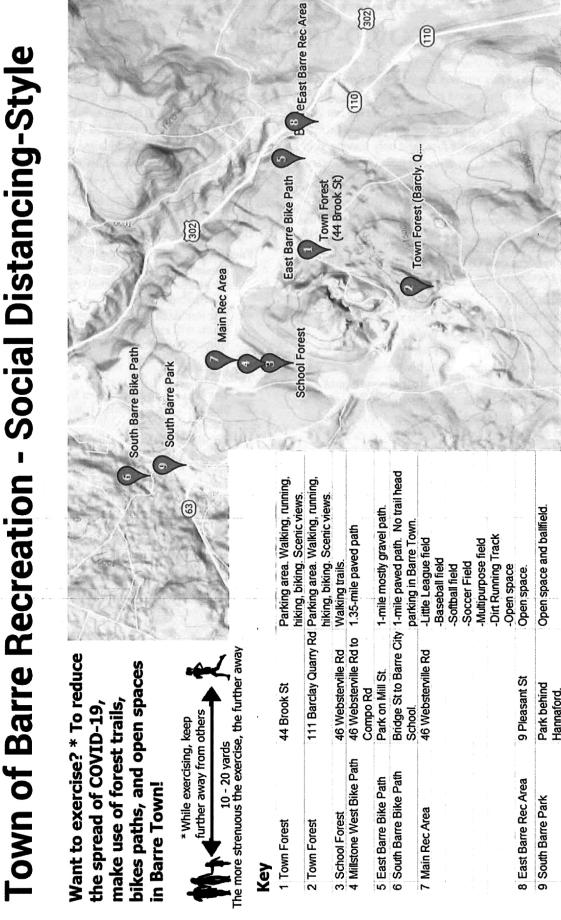
#### Other Events on Town Rec Facilities:

Town staff will keep track of approved uses and be in touch with those event organizers if their reservations conflict with executive orders. These include:

- Rec Area Picnic shelter reservations.
- Softball league practices, games, and tournaments.
- Central Vermont Runners Spring Run (open to the public), originally scheduled for Saturday May 16, Rec Area Bike Path, track and picnic shelter. Postponed, date TBD.

- Disc Golf VT disc golf tournament, May 30 at the Quarries Disc Golf Course in the town forest (closed to the public).
- Lions Club disc golf tournament, Tuesday June 2 at the Quarries Disc Golf Course in the town forest (open to the public).
- St. Monica's-St. Michael's School 5K fundraiser, Tuesday June 9, town forest trails (open to the pub-
- Barre Amateur Soccer Association Soccer Camp, Monday-Friday, June 22-26. Rec Area soccer field.
- VT Rustic Moose kids camps, June 22-26, July 6-10 & 20-24, August 3-7 Town Forest.
- Rockfire 2020, June 26-27. Town Forest, Canceled. Some events may be combined with Fallfire.





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