

MAYOR'S CORNER

There is a big New Market celebration coming on July 5, 2025 for Independence Day in the Community Park. The New Market Volunteer Fireworks Committee met several times over the past year with town staff to plan entertainment, food, music, games, and attractions for children and families, as well as the fireworks that will be set off after dark. Every year we try to make this event better. While the planning is almost complete, we sure could use help from willing volunteers. Will you help us for a couple of hours? We will need help with several activities: supervision of children's games, setting up supplies prior to the event, parking cars and general support for our staff during the celebration.

There are numerous events during the year as well. The success of our events is enhanced by your support and participation. These events include the Cross Roads Music Fests and "Tis The Season" during the holidays. If you are willing to help plan our events or serve on a committee, please call the town office at 540-740-3432 and add your name to the volunteer list. The events we offer combined with a spirit of helpfulness and service can help make New Market a better place to live and have fun.

Sincerely,
Peter Hughes
Mayor

ONLINE PAYMENT NOW AVAILABLE!

The Town of New Market is now accepting online payments for those customers who prefer the convenience of paying electronically with their debit/credit card. There will be a small service fee associated with making payments online. The Town will not profit from this fee.

Other payment options available to customers at no charge include in person via cash, check, money order or debit/credit card; by mail; or by depositing payment in the drop box located to the right of the entrance to the Town Office. In addition, water/sewer/trash customers can make payment through automatic monthly deductions from their bank account. Forms are available on our website or at the Town Office. We are no longer able to take your payment over the phone by calling the office. To pay via phone, call Paystar directly at 540-744-3614. There will be a service fee for doing so, which again, The Town will not profit from.

For more information regarding the online payment process, please check our website at www.newmarketvirginia.com.



LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD PANTRY



Loaves and Fishes food pantry is in the basement of Manor Memorial Methodist Church (9320 North Congress Street). The basement entrance is located in the back of the Church along John Sevier Road.

The pantry is open to all on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Next food pantry is Thursday, June 19, 2025.

LIBRARY NEWS

There is something for everyone at the New Market Library this summer! We will host programs for children each Wednesday June 4th – July 23rd (with the exception of July 2nd). In addition, children ages birth-12, teens and adults will be able to register at the library for incentive programs to win prizes for reading.

This summer's theme for children is **COLOR OUR WORLD!** Programs start at 10:00 am.

- **June 4th-Color Our World With Art.** Dawn Murray will lead an exciting art activity. This is our kickoff program. Come sign up and get your summer reading log.
- **June 11th-Build Your World with Keva Planks.** A STEM opportunity to build with Keva Planks.

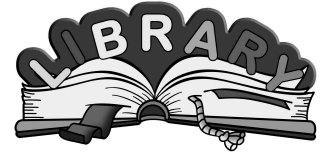
- **June 18th-Grow a Rainbow: Plant and Eat Vegetables.** Grow and taste vegetables with the Master Gardeners!

- **June 25th-Rhythm Around the World.** Interactive music making with Michael Deaton.

- **July 9th-Reading With the Rebels.** To be held at Rebel Park. Reading and activities with the team!

- **July 16th- Music Around the World.** Let's Move! Music Making and Movement! With Kaleb Branner

- **July 23rd-Story Glitch, Global Fun.** Exploring computer science concepts in a fun way! With Valerie Fawley



ADJUSTMENT POLICY FOR FILLING SWIMMING POOLS

Swimming pool adjustments will be limited to one (1) adjustment per calendar year per customer. To qualify for this annual adjustment, the customer must submit an Application for Swimming Pool Credit prior to the filling of a swimming pool. In addition, **the meter must be read by Town staff before and after the filling of the pool.** Customers that are billed for water only or have a water-only meter will not qualify for a pool credit. Splasher pools also known as “kiddie” pools, hot tubs, or spas will not qualify for a pool adjustment. Please contact the Town Office at 540-740-3432 for a copy of the guidelines and an Application for Swimming Pool Credit. Applications are also available on our website at www.newmarketvirginia.com.

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Date: Saturday, July 5th, 2025

Time: 5:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m.

Location: New Market Community Park

Cost: FREE ADMISSION

Come join us for our Independence Day Celebration! Food trucks, games, live entertainment by Prime, and FIREWORKS at approx. 9:20 p.m.

Brought to you by the Town of New Market, New Market Independence Day Celebration Committee, and several sponsors.

MOVIE NIGHT

Enjoy a movie under the stars in the New Market Community Park! Did you know we offer free movie showings once a month through September? There will not be a movie playing in July.

Bring chairs/blankets/snacks for your viewing comfort.

Showing: Cruella

Date: June 28th, 2025

Sundown: approx. 8:45 pm

Cost: FREE

Sponsored by: Sheila Hall Realtor with Coldwell Banker Premier

CROSS ROADS MUSIC FEST 2025

Join us as we kick off the summer with our first concert of our 11th annual CRMF concert series.

All concerts will be held at the Rebel Baseball Park and highlight musical talent and offer a relaxing evening. Bring chairs/blankets for comfort. Food and beverages available for purchase, and a beer/wine garden for those over 21 years of age.

Performing: Out of Spite

Date: June 13th, 2025

Time: 6:30 pm-9:00 pm

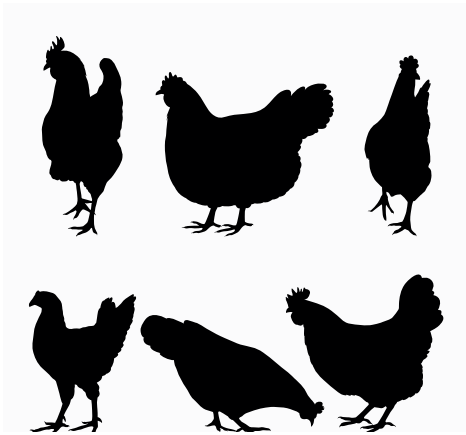
Where: Rebel Baseball Park

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can have chickens in town? Yes, you can! There are stipulations, of course. Read the following ordinance to understand what is and isn't allowed.

(j.) Chickens:

1. The keeping of no more than six (6) chickens is allowed as an accessory use on a property on which the principal use is a residential dwelling.
2. No roosters shall be allowed.
3. Must be in a coop sized no less than four (4) square feet per chicken; chickens cannot run free.
4. All coops and any other structures must (i) meet accessory structure setbacks and (ii) be located behind the residence
5. The area where the chickens are kept must be cleaned and made free of waste on a regular basis and must be disposed of in a timely manner in an effort to effectively eliminate odor problems and insects related to use.
6. Eggs and meat cannot be sold.
7. The slaughtering of chickens is not allowed.
8. Chickens shall not be permitted on any parcel of land that is within five hundred (500) feet of any poultry processing plant, poultry hatchery, poultry feed mill, poultry truck lot, poultry farm, or from property where facilities are operated by the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. If any portion of a parcel is located in the prohibited five hundred (500) feet area described above, no chickens shall be kept on that entire parcel.
9. A zoning permit is required for the keeping of chickens



YARD SALES

As summer approaches we begin thinking about yard sales. The guidelines below are a good reminder on the rules and regulations in town regarding these sales.

Guidelines

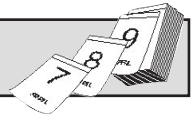
1. All individuals conducting a yard sale are required to obtain a yard sale permit from the Town Office prior to the sale.
2. In residential districts, households are only allowed two yard sales annually. There is no fee associated with permits for these two sales and sales cannot exceed a 72-hour consecutive period.
3. In commercial districts, a household is allowed two yard sales annually with no fee associated with the permits for these two sales. If the householder wishes to hold additional sales an annual permit must be obtained at a fee as set from time to time by the Town Council. Each yard sale in a commercial district cannot exceed a 72-hour consecutive period every three months.
4. **Signs shall NOT be placed on telephone poles, power poles, street signs, public trees, sidewalks or any other publicly owned and/or maintained places or structures.** All signs shall be limited to private property and shall be removed within 24 hours after the conclusion of the sale.
5. During the weekend of the *Route 11 Yard Crawl*, the Town will not count participation in that event towards total allowable yard sales on an annual basis.
6. Civic organizations are exempt from the above regulations, except for #4.

Questions?

You may contact the Town Office, Monday – Friday, during regular business hours with questions regarding this service.

Summer

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



June 2025

- 5 First Half Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes Due
- 6 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 13 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 13 Cross Roads Music Fest - Rebel Park 6:30-9:00pm
- 15 Water/Sewer Bills Due
- 16 Town Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- 19 Town Office Closed in Observance of Juneteenth
- 20 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 27 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 28 Movie Night in the Park (sundown approx. 8:40pm)

July 2025

- 4 Town Office Closed in Observance of Independence Day
- 5 Independence Day Celebration
- 11 Lawn and Leaf
- 15 Water/Sewer Bills Due
- 18 Lawn and Leaf
- 21 Town Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- 25 Lawn and Leaf

TOWN OF NEW MARKET CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Services:

Emergencies: 911
 Shenandoah County Dispatch: 540-459-6101
 Police Department: 540-740-3776
 Fire and Rescue: 540-740-8904

New Market Town Office: 540-740-3432

Dispatch: 540-459-6101
 (After-hours and weekend Water/Sewer Emergencies)

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 Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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TOWN COUNCIL

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 Scott Wymer • Daryl Watkins • Bob King • Janice Hannah • Larry Bompiani
 Jason J. Ham, Town Attorney

ADMINISTRATION

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| Nathan Garrison..... Town Manager | Savannah Frazier..... Events & Marketing Director |
| Summer Barden.....Assistant Town Manager | Amber Smoot..... Executive Assistant |
| Chris Rinker..... Police Chief | Lindsey Kipps..... Office Assistant |
| Teresa Green..... Town Treasurer | De Prunka..... Office Assistant |
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