



Thumbs Up:

- ❑ Thumbs up to all of our stewards, who change the garbage bags, sweep the pavement, and pick up the park each day.
- ❑ Thumbs to those who cut the lawn, rake leaves, pick up trash, plow and shovel snow, turn the water off for the winter, smooth out gravel and sand, and redo the driveway to eliminate pot-holes, over and over again.
- ❑ Thumbs up to all the companies and people who sponsor our Doggie Bowl, the cruise, coin collection, our Howling Good Time costume party, our waste receptacles and our rack cards. Please note them on signs around the park and support them when you have a chance.
- ❑ **Thumbs up to each of you who donate**, no matter how much; and thanks to those who buy hats, and tiles.
- ❑ Thumbs up to those who abide by the rules while at the park.

Thumbs Down:

42 in 1 day in 2015 - That's how many cigarette butts were left on the ground in the park one day, according to one of the stewards. PLEASE put your cigarette butts in the designated grey container right near the picnic table, and remind others to do the same. We must keep the park healthy, safe and fun for humans and canines alike. And stewards shouldn't have to pick up after dogs OR SMOKERS!. Thank you for helping us improve on the self-policing effort.



Looking ahead to Year Five

Get out your calendars and mark down these dates: May 1, May 2, May 31, June 10, June 20 and August 1! These dates have something for everyone and we hope to see you at one, two, or all six of these events.

May 1 - It's the Dog Park's fourth anniversary and we officially begin our Fifth Year as one of the only dog parks on Cape Cod! Stop by and enjoy the park, the great people and dogs that come to the park, and think of a way you can give back to all those who work so hard to make the park safe, clean and functional.

May 2 - From 9 to 11 a.m., we will be at the park doing our annual clean-up. We can use HELP! Bring your rake, a shovel, a bucket, a pair of gloves, a garbage bag - any of these will help with the tasks for the morning: vacuum the shed; wash the benches and bubblers and the concrete near the entrance; rake along the fence to remove weeds and leaves; rake the sand areas; move some stone from deep areas to bare areas; pick up trash and cigarette butts around the park grounds.

May 31 - Drop by the park and help us kick off our Annual Fund. It takes about \$5000 to simply maintain the park each year and we do it all with donations! Grab an envelope and mail in or drop off a donation to help us get to \$5000 or sign up to give a little each month.

June 10 - At 1:30 we will give a presentation to the Falmouth Senior

Center on how the dog park serves our senior community, those with and those without dogs! Sign up to join in the event - treats promised!

June 20 - Stop by our neighbor, Brick Kiln Farm, for Dog Park Day at the farm. The owners of the Farm will donate a portion of the day's sales to the Dog Park for the third year in a row!

August 1 - Stop in after your day at the beach or on the water from 2:30 to 3:30 to let your dog make a splash and have some fun at the annual Pool Party at the Park. This is a favorite event at the Park and always full of great photo ops!



Looking for People willing to serve on the Dog Park Board!

We hope a few of you will call 508-331-2929 to discuss the possibility of becoming a Falmouth Dog Park Board member. The Board plans events, oversees the park itself, raises funds, and educates the public about the park. Are you handy with tools, with the internet, or with social media? Do you have artistic talent? Like talking to people? We meet once every two months on the third Wednesday afternoon of the month. Please consider serving on the Board. We are looking for your new ideas!