



MAY NEWSLETTER

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF FALMOUTH DOG PARKS INC.

This month calls for celebration!. When we opened our gates on May 1, 2011, we hoped the park would help socialize dogs, provide them with exercise when humans really couldn't, and consequently keep more dogs happily in their forever homes. Today we celebrate achieving those goals and so much more.

From Day One, none of this could have happened without all of you and your support and without the 150 businesses you see listed on the back of this newsletter. This park was built before there was a foundation that gave money to design and then build a park. It was built because many gave in-kind donations on any job done during the building process, and many individuals and companies have given incredible amounts of money and free or greatly reduced labor costs every year to help us keep up the property, provide for its safety and make capital improvements along the way.

From Day One, none of this could have happened without the group in the community that had the vision: "Build it and they will come!" And they were willing to work hard to convince the Town and others that this was the right type of park to add to Falmouth's assets and it was one that could sustain itself. That group of people has grown to include many new board members and a dedicated group of stewards who assure that the park will be one of the most well-maintained, clean, healthy dog parks anywhere. They have made the park a true gem.

And from Day One, we could never have imagined that we would fill a void that existed by bringing people together who normally don't see many others or have been rather isolated. With dogs as the common denominator, it feels comfortable to chat with others, to share stories, information, and even ask for help in how to be a first time dog owner. Even people without a dog come to the park trying to be around those dogs and their friendly humans.

So help us celebrate by thanking any of those who make this park work. Thank a steward. Thank a business listed here. Thank a board member. Thank a good dog owner who knows when a dog is having an off day and knows enough to leave. Thank the dog park by volunteering to be a monthly steward or with a donation during our appeal starting in June to recognize that in ten years, we have used those donations wisely. In that decade, we have added solar lighting, a full circle of sidewalk, eight additional benches and four additional shaded seating areas, a shed, a third area for newbies or dogs needing a little time out, new gravel and sand, artwork, a memorial wall and celebratory tiles, Lou's Dog House, a woodland trail, and hundreds of thousands of biodegradable waste bags and mutt mitts.

We were a front runner when we approached the town with the concept. We did our homework and knew what we needed to have happen to be successful. And now we want to say thank you and celebrate. Be sure to help us end our summer-long celebration by joining us for our October Sunset Paws Cruise. Until then, we hope to see you as you "Make Time for Play" at the park.

Happy Tails, Barb Schneider

These local businesses helped get the Falmouth Dog Park successsfully to its 10th birthday. Please say thanks and support them with your business!

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