



NORMANDY FARMS

family camping resort



What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness. ~John Steinbeck

August 2015

Onset Blues Festival August 1 Now in its 23rd year, the Onset Blues Festival is one of the longest running blues festivals in New England. Some of the most highly-acclaimed blues acts vie for a chance to perform. Set in the Victorian village of Onset, the concert overlooks one of the most picturesque harbors in New England. From noon to 9 pm (gates open at 11 am) there will be a performer on the upper square starting at 10 am. The show is at Lillian Gregerman Bandshell, Prospect Park, 191 Onset Ave, Onset Village, Mass. <http://onsetbluesfestival.com/category/2014-show-lineup/>

Patriot's Training Camp August 1-2 Join thousands of other Patriots fans for an opportunity to enjoy the sights and sounds of football in Foxborough at Patriots Training Camp. *All public training camp practice sessions and parking are FREE.* Fans are encouraged to call the training camp information hotline at **508-549-0001** for daily updates throughout camp.

Newport Jazz Festival August 1-2 (begins July 31) offers 40 performances by the finest established and emerging jazz artists, plus a symposium about how jazz relates to popular culture, at Fort Adams State Park in Newport, RI. <http://www.newportjazzfest.org/>

2015 Wipeout Run August 1 at 10:00am - Crash, smash, and splash your way through a 5k course with larger-than-life obstacles inspired by the hit TV show Wipeout! Take on the infamous Big Balls, Sweeper, Wrecking Balls, and Happy Endings! Hilarious thrills and magnificent spills await! This is an untimed event and is open to anyone 18 and up. Located at Gillette Stadium. <http://wipeoutrun.com/boston/>

Patriot's Hall of Fame Induction August 5 at 5pm; Former Patriots linebacker Willie McGinest and Houston Antwine will be officially welcomed into the Patriots Hall of Fame and receive their coveted red blazers in a free-to-the-public outdoor induction ceremony on Wednesday 5:00 PM on the NRG Plaza adjacent to The Hall at Patriot Place presented by Raytheon. The event will coincide with the team's first in-stadium practice of 2015, which is an annual ticketed event for Patriots season ticket members and Foxborough residents at Gillette Stadium. The Hall of Fame induction ceremonies are free and open to the public. Patriots fans of all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. Following the ceremonies, Patriots season ticket members and Foxborough residents will be encouraged to redeem their complimentary event tickets to attend the night's practice inside Gillette Stadium.

Fisherman's Feast of Boston, August 13-16, The Fishermen's Feast began in Boston in 1910 and is based on a tradition that dates back to the 16th century in Sicily. The feast is always held in Boston's historic North End on North and Fleet Streets, making it the North End's oldest continuously running Italian festival. Fishermansfeast.com

WEEKENDS

- **July 31-August 2 Royal Weekend** We'll make you feel like royalty. This special weekend includes a formal dance and pageant
- **August 1st** Tickets go on sale for BBQ Weekend
- **August 7-9 Pirate Weekend** Ahoy Matey! Batten down the hatches and join us for a treasure of a time.
- **August 14-16 Sweets Weekend** Bring your sweetheart to the sweetest weekend ever!
- **August 15 Thanksgiving Tickets** Be thankful that you don't have to cook the meal or do the dishes! Join us for our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on November 28. Tickets on sale beginning August 15.
- **August 21-23 BBQ Chicken Weekend** "If it ain't barbecue, it ain't food!" Let us do the cookin' for you. Reserve early, tickets on sale August 1st and sell out.
- **September 4-7 Labor Day Weekend** (3 Day Holiday Weekend) - Summer is coming to an end, but not until we play all weekend long. Bring the family for this ultra fun weekend complete with one-pitch and volleyball tournaments.

Thomas Land Grand Opening on August 15th Enter a world of imagination and wonder where both the young—and the young at heart—can discover the magic of Thomas & Friends™. Thomas Land theme park covers 11.5 acres within Edaville USA, bringing the Island of Sodor to life in a lush New England landscape. Families can visit iconic destinations including Knapford Station and Tidmouth Sheds and enjoy 11 themed rides featuring favorite characters like Cranky the Crane, Harold the Helicopter, and more! 10:00am- 8:00pm Venue: Edaville Railroad 5 Pine Street, Carver, MA 02330 <http://www.edaville.com/thomas-land/>

Marshfield Fair August 21-30 is a traditional, American country fair that has taken place at the end of August every year since 1867. The fair features amusement rides, a midway, typical fair food and extensive farm and agriculture exhibits. It is one of the few remaining fairs that still support 4-H shows and competitions. There are blues music festivals with local and national talent. Regular special events each year include the demolition derby and tractor pulls. Gates open from noon to 10pm every day. Admission is \$10, children 6 and under are free. 140 Main St. Marshfield, Ma 02050 <http://www.marshfieldfair.org/>

Beer Tasting in Easton August 22 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm; Taste local craft beer and cider with food and live music during A Night at the Brewseum at the Children's Museum in Easton for age 21+. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. Located in the old firehouse on 9 Sullivan Avenue North Easton, MA 508-230-3789 http://www.childrensmuseumineaston.org/craft_beer_expo.aspx

Zombie Convention August 22-23; Zombie lovers will find celebrities, panels, vendors, and a costume party at Walker Stalker Con at the Westin Waterfront. Discount tickets \$10. Westin Boston Waterfront 425 Summer Street Boston, MA 02210 <http://walkerstalkercon.com/boston/>

Free Fun Fridays Continues in August; Free Fun Fridays offers visitors no cost admission to many of the most treasured cultural museums and venues in Massachusetts <http://highlandstreet.org/freefunfridays.html>

FREE on August 7th:
BOSTON HARBOR ISLANDS NATIONAL AND STATE PARK
THE GREENWAY CAROUSEL
THE OLD STATE HOUSE
CONCORD MUSEUM

FREE on August 14th:
JOHN F. KENNEDY PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY & MUSEUM
USS CONSTITUTION MUSEUM
CAPE COD CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
FULLER CRAFT MUSEUM
THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF GREATER FALL RIVER

FREE on August 21st:
FRANKLIN PARK ZOO
FREEDOM TRAIL FOUNDATION
MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
THE DISCOVERY MUSEUMS
BUTTONWOOD PARK ZOO

FREE on August 28th:
OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE
PLIMOTH PLANTATION
CAPE COD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Concierge Recommends

Wards Berry Farm in Sharon You can pick your own fruit or vegetable, take a hayride, enjoy the petting farm or take a pony ride. Enjoy a fresh baked pie and other delicious foods made on the premises. Take home fresh dairy milk and ice cream from Crescent Ridge. Open every day at 9 am. Located at 614 South Main Street, Sharon, MA <http://www.wardsberryfarm.com/hours.html>

Capron Park and Zoo is a small 8-acre zoo that opened in 1937, found in the heart of Attleboro, Capron Park Zoo is one of the city's premiere recreation destinations. Visitors can immerse themselves in the warmth and wonder of a tropical rainforest, be awed by the roar of a lion pride, or simply enjoy the wonders of animals from all over the globe. With something to amaze and inspire the whole family, Capron Park Zoo is a fun-filled place for the young and young-at-heart. Kids may also enjoy the splash pad and playground. 201 County St. Attleboro, MA <http://www.capronparkzoo.com/>

