



NORMANDY FARMS

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THINGS TO DO IN THE AREA

September 2019

9/1-10/20 King Richard's Faire, King Richard's Faire is a Renaissance Faire held in Carver, Massachusetts, which recreates a 16th-century marketplace, including handmade crafts, foods, musicians, singers, dancers, minstrels, mimes, jugglers, whip artists, magicians, comedians, puppeteers, gymnasts, exotic animals, acrobats, mud beggars, stilt walkers, knights jousting on horseback, a royal court, and the fictional King Richard. King Richard's Faire is the longest-running Renaissance Faire in New England. kingrichardsfaire.net

9/1 LL Bean presents 'Hike the Bluffs at Moose Hill Sanctuary' in Sharon. These open cliffs offer an expansive southeast view, with Gillette Stadium in the distance. On the way, we'll cross several streams, tapped maple trees and a "bat barn". **ACTIVITY LEVEL:** Easy. **WHERE TO MEET:** In the parking lot of the Audubon Sanctuary. <https://www.llbean.com/llb/shop/1000001721>

9/1-9/29 Downton Abbey: The Exhibition at The Castle at Park Plaza, Boston, Downton Abbey: The Exhibition, based on the beloved television show, takes you into the scenes and sets of early-20th-century England and the Crawley family's lives. Enjoy the social history, culture, and important moments from the show's six-season run. <https://www.downtonexhibition.com/>

9/3-9/8 Brimfield Antique Show – America's Oldest Outdoor Antiques Flea Market, the show which is actually a collection of more than 20 separately owned and operated shows is held once in the spring and twice in the summer drawing thousands of treasure hunters to a mile-long stretch of Route 20. Brimfieldantiquefleamarket.com

9/3-9/26 Bass Pro Shop in Foxboro presents Boy Scout Merit Badge Classes where once again merit badge classes for fishing, rifle shooting and fish & wildlife management will be offered. You may register by calling 508-216-2000. Class size is limited. <https://stores.basspro.com/us/ma/foxborough/1-bass-pro-dr.html>

9/4 Walpole Public Library presents Dan Shaughnessy, a member of the Boston Globe staff since 1981, Shaughnessy has been named Massachusetts Sportswriter of the Year eleven times, has been voted one of America's top 10 sports columnists by AP Sports Editors, and is the winner of the 2016 Spink Award. He has written 12 books, including New York Times Best Seller Francona, The Curse of the Bambino, and Senior Year, and appears on numerous radio and television shows. Dan will talk about Boston sports past and present and then will field questions from the audience and autograph his books. <http://www.eventkeeper.com/mars/xpages/0/02081/EKP.cfm?zeeOrg=02081>

9/6-9/15 21st Annual Pawtucket Arts Fest, The Pawtucket Arts Festival celebrates the City's creative and cultural life by presenting vibrant arts events throughout the month of September to Pawtucket residents and visitors to the Blackstone River Valley. We collaborate with local and international producing partners to present dance, music, theatre, film, visual, and folk-traditional arts that evoke the City's historic legacy and diverse communities. Many of our events are free and for audiences of all ages. <https://www.pawtucketartsfestival.org/>

9/6 New England Blues Festival, bring a lawn chair and enjoy a small-town blues festival at the Middleboro Lodge of Elks to support charity. Food and beverage vendors will be on hand. <http://www.nebluesfest.com/>

9/7-9/8 BSV Oktoberfest in Walpole, celebrate Oktoberfest with live music and dancing, kid's games, German food, beer, wine and crafts in a covered pavilion at the German Club in Walpole. <https://www.germanclub.org/oktoberfest>

9/7 20th Annual RI Chinese Dragon Boat Races and Taiwan Day Festival, The Rhode Island Chinese Dragon Boat Races & Taiwan Day Festival is an extraordinary event for the whole family to enjoy! Our races continue to use the fiberglass Taiwanese-style dragon boats gifted to us from the Republic of China (Taiwan) and incorporate the skill of flag-catching in each race. But that's not all...under our giant tent, the Taiwan Day Festival presents some top-notch entertainment! The day is filled with cultural performances, many art & crafts tables, and the always-popular dumpling eating contest. The festival also has a great selection of vendors, interactive activities, and food trucks! dragonboatri.com

WEEKENDS

- September 6-8—Massachusetts Weekend
- September 13-15—Maine & Quebec Weekend and Southern New England Good Sam Family Fest
- September 20-22—Rhode Island Weekend
- September 27-29—Spirit Weekend
- October 4-6—Fall Food Truck Festival #1
- October 11-14—Columbus Day Weekend (3 day holiday)
- October 18-20—Halloween Weekend #1
- October 25-27—Halloween Weekend #2
- November 1-3—Halloween Weekend #3
- November 15-17—Fall Food Truck Festival #2
- November 22-24—Thanksgiving Weekend

9/11 An Unlikely Story Bookstore & Café in Plainville presents author Brad Meltzer showing kids that every person is capable of greatness! Brad will be at An Unlikely Story to talk about the two newest books in his Ordinary People Change the World Series, I AM MARIE CURIE and I AM WALT DISNEY and sign copies of his books. Brad Meltzer is the New York Times bestselling author of Heroes for My Son, Heroes for My Daughter, and a number of suspense novels like The Escape Artist. He is also the host of the History Channel television shows Brad Meltzer's Decoded and Brad Meltzer's Lost History (in which he helped find the missing 9/11 flag). He lives in Florida with his wife and their three children. <https://www.anunlikelystory.com/event/brad-meltzer-0>

9/13 Gillette Stadium Marathon 2019, Participants will run 26.2 or 13.1 miles around the home turf of the 6-Time Super Bowl Champion New England Patriots to raise money for homeless shelters throughout the region. The marathon will take place on the track surrounding the turf of the Gillette Stadium field. The course is USA Track & Field (USATF) certified and the only Boston Marathon qualifier run entirely in an NFL stadium. Each runner will receive a commemorative finish medal, t-shirt and post-race meal and more while raising significant funds to assist those experiencing homelessness. <https://www.gillettestadium.com/event/gillette-stadium-marathon-2/>

9/13-9/29 The Big E in Springfield, The Big E, formally known as The Eastern States Exposition, is billed as "New England's Great State fair". It is the largest agricultural event on the eastern seaboard and the sixth-largest fair in the nation. The Big E is inclusive of all six of the New England states: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. Each of the New England states is prominently represented at the fair. thebig.com

9/14 Neponset Valley Walk to End Alzheimer's at Patriot Place, take the first step to a world without Alzheimer's and join the Neponset Valley Walk to End Alzheimer's at Patriot Place on Sunday 9/14 <https://www.patriot-place.com/events/alz-walk/>

9/14 Waterfire Full Lighting (National Recovery Month) Providence, Arts Fairs, Food Vendors, and Special Performances and Events start at 6:00 pm, WaterFire Walking Tours start at 3:00 pm, Sunset at 6:57 pm; the fires will remain lit until 12:30 am <https://waterfire.org>

9/14 Cocktails for Cars at Heritage Museum & Garden in Sandwich, this showcase that extends the entire length of the age of the automobile. Enthusiasts and curious spectators get up-close views of some of the most beautiful automobiles ever designed. Beautiful gardens and the Heritage Automobile Gallery serve as a backdrop. Proceeds from this event benefit Heritage's automobile collection. <https://heritagemuseumsandgardens.org/event/cocktails-for-cars-2/>

9/15 River Ride on the Seekonk (Providence, RI departure), Board a boat for a guided boat tour of the Seekonk River and shore. See Providence and East Providence from a different point of view and learn about the river and the wildlife living on, in and near it. Boat rides start at 11 AM, noon, or 1 PM. Due to high demand, registration is required. To register for the RiverRide please go to blackstoneparksconservancy.org/river.

9/19-9/22 Newport Mansions Wine & Food Festival, taste wine on the lawn of Marble House, attend seminars and celebrity chef demonstrations, and enjoy wine dinners during the festival. <https://www.newportmansions.org/events/wine-and-food-festival>

9/21 Sample 250 beers from 75 breweries at Cape Cod Brew Fest at the Cape Cod Fairgrounds in East Falmouth <https://capecodbrewfest.com/>

9/28 Waterfire Full Lighting in Providence, Arts Fairs, Food Vendors, and Special Performances and Events start at 5:00 pm, WaterFire Walking Tours start at 3:00 pm, Sunset at 6:33 pm; the fires will remain lit until 12:30 am <https://waterfire.org>

Local Fall Fun just a short drive from the park:

- Wine Tasting at Diamond Hill Vineyards in Cumberland, RI <http://diamondhillvineyards.com>
- Beer Tasting at SkyRoc Brewery in Attleboro, MA <http://www.skyrocbrewery.com/>
- Beer Tasting at Trillium Brewery in Canton, MA <https://www.trilliumbrewing.com/>
- Tea Party at Alice in the Village in Foxboro, MA <https://www.aliceinthevillage.net/patriot-place-ma>
- Antiques and Treasures at Fab Finds Foxboro, 34 School Street in Foxboro
- Step back in time at the Old Country Store & Emporium in Mansfield, MA <https://www.oldcountrystoreonline.com/>
- Gentleman, start your engines at Supercharged Entertainment, Foxboro <http://supercharged.com/>
- Paint & Sip at Muse Paintbar at Patriot Place in Foxboro <https://www.musepaintbar.com>
- Pick your own blueberries and pumpkins at Ward's Berry Farm in Sharon <https://wardsberryfarm.com/PYO.html>

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Patriot's Games <http://www.patriots.com>

- SUN, SEPTEMBER 8 PITTSBURGH 8:20 PM NBC
- SUN, SEPTEMBER 15 AT MIAMI 1:00 PM CBS
- SUN, SEPTEMBER 22 NEW YORK JETS 1:00 PM CBS
- SUN, SEPTEMBER 29 AT BUFFALO 1:00 PM CBS