

Garden and Nature Workshops



Belknap County UNH Cooperative Extension is hosting a series of spring workshops for people interested in gardening and nature. Workshops are free with the exception of May 8. If you require special accommodations in order to participate or you would like more info, please call 527-5475.

Get Ready to Garden

April 17, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Sanbornton Public Library

27 Meetinghouse Hill Road, Sanbornton

Join Agriculture Educator Amy Ouellette and Sustainable Horticulture Specialist Becky Grube for a discussion on how to build good garden soil and to find out which vegetable and small fruit varieties perform best in UNH trials.

How to Have a Green Lawn & a Healthy Environment

April 24, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Belmont Senior Center

14 Mill Street, Belmont

Agriculture Educator Sadie Puglisi will tell you how to grow a lush, green lawn without harming the environment. Topics will include the best grass varieties for specific sites, fertilizer choices, irrigation, and how to prevent pests (like weeds, insects and disease).

How to Grow the Best Tomatoes in the Neighborhood

May 1, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Gilman Library

100 Main Street, Alton

Agriculture Educator Amy Ouellette will explain everything you need to know to have a bumper crop of tomatoes. Topics include garden preparation, variety selection, staking and trellising, fertilization, plus insect and disease management.

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Tree and Shrub Pruning Techniques

May 8, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Cackleberries Garden Center

419 Daniel Webster Highway (Rte. 3)

Meredith \$5 registration fee

Retired Agriculture Educator David Seavey will demonstrate pruning techniques for shade trees, flowering trees and shrubs, and evergreens. Agriculture Educator Amy Ouellette will talk about mulching, fertilizing and irrigating landscape plants.

Invasive Plant Identification and Control

May 15, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Belknap County Complex Activities Room

36 County Drive, Laconia

Chris Matrick, Field Biologist with the White Mountain National Forest, will talk about how to recognize some of the region's most common invasive plants, plus what you can do to help control the spread of invasive plants.

Improving Fields for Wildlife

May 29, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Prescott Farm Audubon Center

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia

Join Wildlife Specialist Matt Tarr to learn how you can improve your fields and pastures to provide cover and food for wildlife. Bring comfortable shoes for a short walk following an indoor presentation.

Insect Pollinators (Bees and Wasps)

June 5, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Location to be determined, please call 527-5475 for more info.

Alan Eaton, Extension Professor and Entomologist, will show pictures of native pollinators including bees and wasps and talk about how to encourage pollination of fruit, vegetable and ornamental plants.