



Greenbelt
Essex County's Land Trust



EarthCam

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Annie & Squam with chicks Atty, Babson & Lane, EarthCam, Gloucester

The Chicks have Arrived!

One of our favorite Osprey pairs, Annie and Squam, hatched three eggs the first week of June, welcoming chicks Atty, Babson, and Lane.

As we've seen in years past, Annie and Squam are diligent parents, keeping their new chicks warm, dry, and well-fed. This is an exciting time for them, and for the many other Osprey in the area that are hatching their young. We are anticipating a successful season with another increase in Osprey nesting here in the Northeast. Check out Greenbelt's live Osprey Cam over the next several weeks to watch as Lane, Babson, and Atty grow.

News and Happenings



Join the GreenbeltGo-Getter Trails Challenge!

Hike, bike, run, stroll or meander— be a GreenbeltGo-Getter! The new GreenbeltGo-Getter Trails Challenge kicked off on June 3, and we're already hearing from many participants on the trails. The challenge is to visit as many listed Greenbelt properties as you can between now and next May. You're a GreenbeltGo-Getter whether you visit 10, 25 or all 50 properties, so sign up today and Get Outside with Greenbelt!



Haynes Elmlea, Boxford, Photo: Neil Ungerleider

Boxford's Haynes Elmlea: Now Protected!

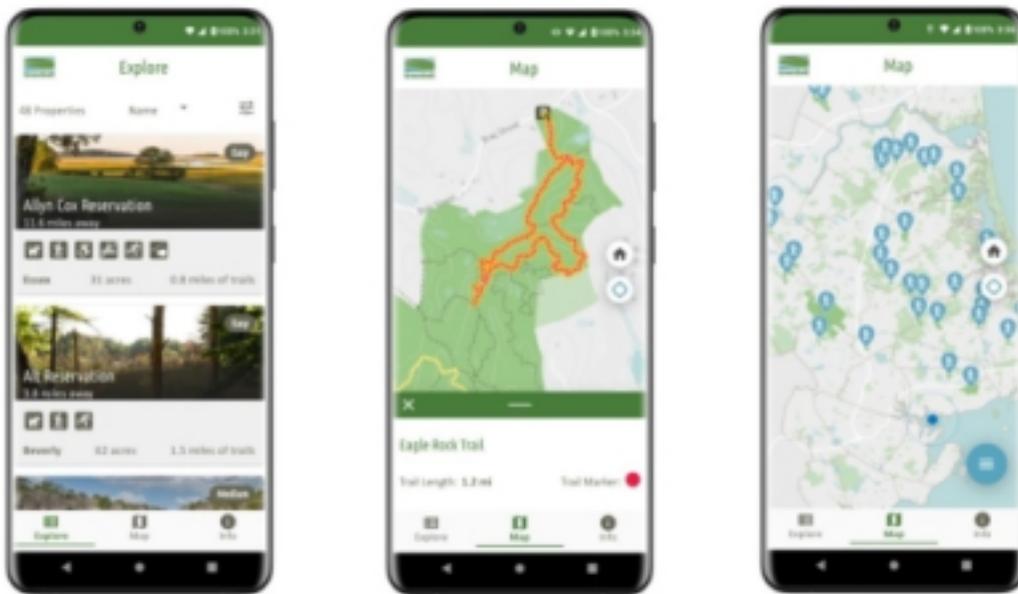
The 42-acre Haynes Elmlea property in Boxford is now permanently protected. Once threatened by subdivision, this land was identified as a conservation priority by Greenbelt's Land Conservation Prioritization Analysis due to its rare species habitat and its ability to strengthen climate resilience in the area. We are pleased to report that Greenbelt closed on the property this week! In addition to conserving these woods and wetlands, Haynes Elmlea also connects to a large network of recreational trails. Thank you to all who made this conservation effort a success!



AMG Walk Participants at Beverly Commons, Beverly

Getting Outside with AMG Corporate Conservationists

In early June, Greenbelt had a blast hosting three guided walks for Affiliated Managers Group (AMG), our newest business sponsor at the Corporate Conservationist level. As part of AMG's employee Health and Wellness Week, Greenbelt staff and volunteers trekked with the AMG crew (and their dogs!) through Beverly Commons Conservation Area, 409-acres of protected land that connects to AMG's Prides Crossing campus. We're delighted to welcome AMG as an important Greenbelt partner, and look forward to many more opportunities to Get Outside with their enthusiastic team!



New! Track Your Hike with GreenbeltGo

Greenbelt's GIS team debuted an exciting new Track-Your-Hike feature that allows users to track the distance and time of their hikes when using our GreenbeltGo trails app. GreenbeltGo serves as a mobile guidebook, enabling users to search for properties to explore, track their position along the trails, get directions to parking areas, and download offline maps. Users can also submit trail reports through the app to alert and direct Stewardship staff to issues on the trail. The app now includes 55 featured properties to explore, including these new additions: Lead Mills in Salem & Marblehead, Norwood Pond in Beverly, and Winnekenni Park Conservation Area in Haverhill.



Land Stewardship Intern Owen Hardy

Owen Hardy Joins the Team

Owen Hardy joined Greenbelt's Stewardship department as a full-time intern for the summer season. Raised in Gloucester, Owen comes to Greenbelt with excellent regional knowledge that will be helpful as he assists Stewardship in all areas of their work. This fall, Owen will enter his junior year at Bates College, where he is majoring in Environmental Studies, Ecology and Earth Systems. Please join us in welcoming Owen!