EDOA NEWS



Newsletter of the Eastham Dog Owners' Assoc.

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Petition:

"We the undersigned object to any changes to the traditional use by dogs leashed or under direct voice control in Wiley Park or elsewhere."

Eastham Dog Owners Association is offering solutions to the problems expressed by the town departments that wish to change rules for the off-leash use by dogs under direct voice control of the handler. We hold that

necessary and an unfair restriction on those using the park appropriately. Link to sign Please add your support.

the petition

alternate solutions should be attempted and that the changes in traditional use is not

HOW:

- 1. Sign the one of the many paper copies being circulated by members. Use the form on our website. https://www.easthamdog.org/petition

WHO:

Park, not just full time residents. WHEN:

Anyone may sign, not just EDOA members, not just those who walk in Wiley

- Please return any paper petitions you have so far before April 10th. A. Mail by April 8th to P.O.Box 274, Eastham, MA 02642
 - B. Attached photo of the form to info@easthamdog.org
- 2. Petitions will continue to be collected up until the end of the comment period set
- by the Conservation Commission, April 21st.

EDOA board and members offer alternative solutions.

EDOA Offers Suggestions

At each contact with the ConsCom and Open Space Committee, EDOA members

have offered alternate solutions to concerns short of giving up the traditional and lawful use of Wiley Park by dog owners. Here is a partial list. Enforce the rules currently in place. Delineate trails (perhaps with natural tree-fall material).

- Educate users.
- Improve signage at entrances and trailheads.
- Use EDOA to inform and encourage compliance through it's 200+ families. Create appropriate use pamphlets.
- Off-leash training. Block off newly and inappropriately formed trails.
- Support reclamation of areas stressed by 50+ years of use. Plantings by the 1651 committee.
- These and other measures can address conservation issues without constricting the enjoyment and alienating a large cohort of the users of the park.

We believe EDOA cooperation in these matters can make a difference as it has with

Dog owners are good citizens and will respond to appropriate use measures.

Thursday, April 13th 6:00 pm - 7:45 pm, in person, at the Greg Turner Room, Eastham Public Library.

ConsCom and OSC Listening Sessions

Wednesday, April 19th 6:00 pm - 7:45 pm Zoom only. Zoom information will be posted on Town website.

After a brief presentation, the Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee invites attendees to share their experiences, concerns, and suggestions for improvement for these conservation areas.

To accommodate everyone who wishes to speak, participants will be asked to take no

Alternate ways to share comments:

Concerns might include, but are not limited to, safety issues, off-leash dogs, boat

launching, trail issues, signage, or anything else you'd like to share.

For those who can't attend, would prefer not to speak in public, or would like to submit a more detailed response, comments will be accepted by email and letter until

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