17 Things To Do This Weekend (Oct. 06 - Oct.-08)

Ah, brisk nights and mornings of fall with cool days. This is a wonderful time of year for events and activities. While we will be having some clouds and showers here and there this weekend, the temperatures will be very pleasant in the mid-70s. Nothing keeping an umbrella handy can't solve. So, check out the many things going on in greater New Bedford and beyond.



As always, click on the title for more or detailed information on the event. Most of the events were pulled from our **event calendar** where you can find hundreds of local area events each month. The event calendar is FREE, so if you are a local business, and not taking advantage of FREE publicity, shame on you! Are you a local business and want to sponsor this high traffic, weekend guide? Contact info@newbedfordguide.com for more details. Have an event to add? Add it **here**. Know of another event this weekend? Post a reply!

Friday, October 6th

Pirates & Privateers Presentation (Fairhaven) (10:00am)

Hear tales of pirates, Revolutionary War era privateers, and

historical Fort Phoenix, presented by Greybeard, an 18th century gunner from the privateer sloop Broome, Abigail Black, a ship's doctor who grows herbal remedies in her village garden when she's not at sea, and Andrew the Powder Monkey, a boy who knows how to load and fire a cannon. Learn which things really just myths based on fiction, the difference between pirates and "legal" privateers, and why grog wasn't all it's cracked up to be.



Live music with acts like Paradise Kitty at the Greasy Luck Brewpub.

Tales For Tots (10:30am-11:00am)

Join a park interpreter to hear a story outside in the sunshine on the grassy meadow. Bring a blanket or chair. FREE. Moves into the Visitor Center in inclement weather. Fall River Heritage State Park, Davol Street, Fall River, MA.

Debra Cowan in Concert (7:00pm-8:30pm)

Following a life-long desire to sing and perform, Debra Cowan left her job as a middle school math teacher in 1997 and went to live in Edinburgh, Scotland for six months. There she learned the art of unaccompanied singing and upon her return to the USA in 1998 began traveling all over New England performing at any open mike within 100 miles of her new home in Springfield, Massachusetts. Over a decade later, she is now

a full-time performer who bridges the old and new with a refreshing stage presence. She has released four full-length recordings, all of which have earned praise on both sides of the Atlantic. She tours extensively in the United Kingdom and in North America and can also be seen on stage with her good friend, singer and musician John Roberts.New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, 38 Bethel Street, New Bedford.

Paradise Kitty Live in the Vault at Greasy Luck Brewpub (9:30pm-11:30pm)

Downtown New Bedford's hottest newest destination. The brewpub and event venue is set within a former bank building featuring original vault doors and a truly historic feel. Greasy Luck features in-house brewing, an expansive menu, and The Vault Room, a function area for a local events. The Greasy Luck Brewpub, 791 Purchase St. New Bedford.

Saturday, October 7th

Rise And Shine Yoga At Fort Phoenix (8:30am-9:30am)

Join South Coast Yoga every Saturday morning at Fort Phoenix to start your weekend with an energizing yoga practice! Class is only a \$5 drop in, or you can purchase a class card. Class incorporates movement, meditation, balance and strength. This is open to all levels, newbies to advanced. Please bring a mat/towel and water. The beginning of the season can be chilly, so layers are good! Children are welcome, as long as they can sit quietly for the hour (10 and up usually). Class passes are \$25 for 5 classes and can be used at Fort Taber and Fort Phoenix classes all summer.

Cranberry Harvest Celebration (10:00am-4:00pm)

The Cranberry Harvest Celebration is a great way to see and learn about the picturesque cranberry harvest while enjoying some old fashioned family fun. Watch as we harvest the crimson berries continuously each day. You can even put on a pair of waders and step into a corral of berries! Visit educational

and historical displays, view the spectacular landscape and harvest by taking a helicopter ride, enjoy live cooking demonstrations by some of the area's finest chefs and culinary professionals, shop the marketplace with over 40 juried exhibitors from around the region, listen to local musicians, and peruse the farmers' market and food concession areas for the best fare around.

Children's activities include pony, paddle boat, train, live entertainment, wagon rides and much more. The event is held rain or shine. No pets are allowed. Last bus to the cranberry bog departs at 3:30 p.m. 158 Tihonet Road, Wareham, MA.



Start your weekend right with a little exercise for the body, mind and spirit on Saturday morning.

Steps for Hurricane Relief (NB Wellness Walk) (10:00am)

Our steps will go towards relief efforts after the recent hurricanes to hit Texas and Florida. All proceeds will go directly to the Red Cross. Pledge a penny a step, half penny a step or whatever you can. Let's show how we care. #StepItUpNB. New Bedford Wellness Initiative, 166 Jenney Street, New Bedford, MA.

Fall Crystal Mini Show< (Westport) (8:30am-3:30pm)

Who's ready for another Crystal Mini Show? Lots of new arrivals…including some very rare, hard-to-find crystals. Plus! I'll be unveiling some exciting new products. And the popular Mystery Crystal Eggs return — this time in the form of Halloween Chakra Pods!! And yes, Club Members will get Early Access between the hours of 8 — 10 am. Hope to see you there! Sisters Of Solace — Holistic Healing Center, 700 American Legion Hwy. (Rte.177), Westport, MA.

Manjiro Japanese Festival (Fairhaven) (10:00am-5:00pm)

On Saturday, October 7, a Manjiro Festival will be held to celebrate the historical ties with Japan and the 30th anniversary of the signing of a Sister City agreement between Fairhaven and Tosahimizu, Japan, the hometown of Manjiro. This years's festival will be held on Center Street from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There will be Japanese and American music and food, martial arts demonstrations, taiko drummers, flower arranging, raffles, booths featuring food and crafts, a tea ceremony, and much more! Captain Whitfield's house at 11 Cherry Street will be open, as will be the Old Stone Schoolhouse at 40 North Street. Through the day there will be bus tours to the sites associated with Manjiro.

Admission to the festival is free, as are the bus tours of the Manjiro Trail, Captain Whitfield's house, and the Old Stone School House. The event is sponsored by the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society. For more information email Gerry@WMFriendshipHouse.org or call 508-858-5303.

Medicinal Roots & Fire Cider Workshop (1:00pm-3:00pm)

This herbal medicine workshop will focus on seasonal, local remedies. We will discuss the harvest and preparation of medicinal roots as well as their uses. Learn the basics of using food as medicine and how to make your own natural remedies using roots, including decoctions, tinctures, and fire cider*. We will sample some finished fire cider and demonstrate the making of a new batch. Workshop will cover

root herbs that are both cultivated and grow wild on the farm. *Fire Cider is a traditional herbal remedy used for preventing colds and flus. Great tonic to make and have on hand as the seasons shift! Freedom Food Farm, 471 Leonard St., Raynham.

New Bedford Artists and Artisans Rural Cemetery Tour (2:00pm-6:00pm)

Historic portrayals in period costume will take place at several of the grave sites of New Bedford's internationally famous artists and artisans including but not limited to; painters William Allen Wall, Robert Swain, Frances Gifford, Albert Cook Church and female painter Minna Grumbt Webb, early African American photographer James Reed as well as glass artisans Gundersen brothers Hjalmar and Robert. Rural Cemetery, 149 Dartmouth Street, New Bedford.

Paint Party Fundraiser For FRCAA (4:00pm-6:00pm)

We're doing it again!!! Come join us for a great time and get to help raise much needed funds for the Fall River Coalition for Animal Awareness!! \$30.00 per ticket covers all the supplies for your masterpiece, a light buffet and a donation to the cause!!! There will be a raffle also, so bring a couple of extra \$\$\$\$ please contact Kim Carvalho Wagner for tickets. Cozy Kettle, 366 Mariano Bishop Blvd., Fall River.

Sunday, October October 8th

"Dance Clinic" Grand Opening and Open House (12:00pm-4:00pm)

We are very excited about our big move to 244 Dartmouth St. in New Bedford. It's been a long wait but we are inviting the community to take FREE trial classes on Sunday October 8, 2017! There will also be FREE REGISTRATION all day! Come take a tour of our facility & meet our professional instructors. Open house is from 12-4 so stop in anytime. We offer all different dance styles Ballet/Contemporary/Lyrical/Jazz/Tap/Hip Hop/Acrobats. More details on our website www.danceclinic.net

12th Annual New Bedford Seaport Chowder Festival (12:00pm-5:00pm)

The 12th Annual New Bedford Seaport Chowder Festival will have local Restaurants, Caterers and Assisted Living Facilities competing for your vote! Come sample delicious chowders, soups and stuffed quahogs and cast your vote for your favorite one!! Location: City Pier 3.



Put on your dancing shoes Sunday for Dance Clinic's Grand Opening and Open House.

Blessing of the Animals (2:00pm-3:00pm)

Saint Peters-on-the-Canal will be hosting its annual Blessing of the Animals on the front lawn of the Church, 165 Main Street, in Buzzards Bay. All animals are welcome together with their owners. This event is held annually on a day close to the Feast Day of St. Francis, the patron saint of animals and birds.

For more information, contact The Reverend Sue Lederhouse at 508-759-5641 or saintpeters@verizon.net Additional information is also available on the Church's website, www.saintpetersbb.org

OktoberFesta! 1st Annual Boars & Brews Challenge (4:00pm-11:00pm)

Join us for OktoberFesta! Our 1st Annual Boars & Brews Challenge. For the month of October we challenge you to consume 26 beers & 5 signature pork dishes. Sign up begins on October 1st. For completing the Boars & Brews Challenge you will receive: Personalized T-Shirt, 2017 Boars & Brews Mug, Cask & Pig Beer Club Card (valid for 1 year), Your name registered to win many other prizes including: Patriots, Celtics & Bruins Tickets. Cask & Pig Kitchen and Alehouse, 780 State Rd. North Dartmouth, MA.

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