

# Weekly Wrap-up

A Report from Town Administrator Lisa Wong



A year ago the new pickleball courts at Buttery Brook Park were being prepped for the grand opening. One year later, the pickle ball group is one of the largest in the region, and the Town has applied for a state grant to build more pickleball courts. Above: Andy and Heather Rogers win bronze at a recent tournament at Fenway!

## Planning

South Hadley’s Subdivision Regulations were last updated in 1995 and are generally considered outdated. The Planning Board has intended to update the regulations for several years. In preparation for the Planning Board’s work, draft updates have been prepared for discussion.

There will be a presentation at the July 24, 2023 Planning Board meeting.

[southhadley.org/1318/ProposedDraft-Bylaws](https://southhadley.org/1318/ProposedDraft-Bylaws)

## Selectboard

The next hybrid meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 8 at 7pm at the Senior Center.  
[www.southhadley.org/agendacenter](https://www.southhadley.org/agendacenter)

## State Budget

The Conference Committee, which has been meeting for 7 weeks, adjourned again on Thursday without any resolution on the state budget.

## Circus!

Tickets are still available for the July 25 show at 7pm and July 26 show at 4pm at Buttery Brook.  
[www.starsabovecircus.com/tour](https://www.starsabovecircus.com/tour)

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## HEAT INDEX

● Caution   
 ● Extreme caution   
 ● Danger   
 ● Extreme danger

Relative humidity (%)	Temperature (°F)															
	80	82	84	86	88	90	92	94	96	98	100	102	104	106	108	110
40%	80	81	83	85	88	91	94	97	101	105	109	114	119	124	130	136
45%	80	82	84	87	89	93	96	100	104	109	114	119	124	130	137	
50%	81	83	85	88	91	95	99	103	108	113	118	124	131	137		
55%	81	84	86	89	93	97	101	106	112	117	124	130	137			
60%	82	84	88	91	95	100	105	110	116	123	129	137				
65%	82	85	89	93	98	103	108	114	121	128	136					
70%	83	86	90	95	100	105	112	119	126	134						
75%	84	88	92	97	103	109	116	124	132							
80%	84	89	94	100	106	113	121	129								
85%	85	90	96	102	110	117	126	135								
90%	86	91	98	104	113	122	131									
95%	86	93	100	107	117	127										
100%	87	95	103	110	121	132										

SOURCE Weather.gov

## Extreme Heat

Exposure to high temperatures for excessive periods of time can be very dangerous.

### Resources:

[www.weather.gov/safety/heat](http://www.weather.gov/safety/heat)

[www.mass.gov/info-details/extreme-heat-safety-tips](http://www.mass.gov/info-details/extreme-heat-safety-tips)

[www.cdc.gov/nceh/features/extremeheat](http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/features/extremeheat)

## Heat Impacts: Vulnerable Populations



### PREGNANT

Extreme heat events have been associated with adverse birth outcomes such as low birth weight, preterm birth, infant mortality, and congenital cataracts.



### NEWBORNS

Newborns are extra sensitive to heat because their ability to regulate body temperature is limited.



### CHILDREN

Young children and infants are particularly vulnerable to heat, as their bodies are less able to adapt to heat than adults. Those under four are especially vulnerable.



### ELDERLY

Older adults, especially those who have preexisting diseases, take certain medications, live alone or have limited mobility are at higher risk for heat illness.



### CHRONIC ILLNESS

People with chronic medical conditions are more likely to have a serious health problem during a heat wave.

Source:  
The Impacts of Climate Change on Human Health in the United States, A Scientific Assessment (U.S. Global Changes Research Program)

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