



## TIDE MILL INSTITUTE

TIDE MILL INSTITUTE began informally as a way to share a mutual interest in the study of tide mills. A successful first meeting led to others and then a call to organize. We did so and gained formal non-profit status as an incorporated educational/research institution.

Our primary activity is an annual conference bringing together a broad range of interested historians, archaeologists, students, tidal energy practitioners and just plain folks from the U.S. and elsewhere interested at many levels in tide mill heritage and technology. To date our 14 events have been a collegial mix of the expert and the novice, each offering information about his or her tide mill interest, research or activity. Every conference is a mix of scholarly presentations and informal reports as well as low tide field trips to sites where local tide mills once operated.

Speakers from New England have predominated, but each year we seek to have a special international guest. To date England, Wales, Spain, Northern Ireland, Portugal, France and the Amazon area have been represented.

We offer gratis to anyone *TIDE MILL TIMES*, our online blog, an informal mix of information about our favorite topic. Short articles are welcome many time.

Please contact us about your interest tide mills if you have questions or if you would simply like to communicate in any way about tide mills past, present or future.

We look forward to hearing from you.

*Bud Warren – President*

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Sturgeon Creek Tide Mill. Eliot (originally Kittery) ME

## ***TIDE MILLS GALORE!***

***from the Piscataqua to the Merrimack***

### TIDE MILL INSTITUTE

**Our 15<sup>th</sup> Conference**

**October 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**8:00 – 4:00**

**The Community Center at Kittery, ME**

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*COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE*

### TIDE MILL INSTITUTE'S *MISSION*:

- **to advance** appreciation of the American and international heritage of tide mill technology;
- **to encourage** research into the location and history of tide mill sites;
- **to serve** as a repository for tide mill data for students, scholars, engineers and the general public and **to support & expand** the community of these tide mill stakeholders;
- **to promote** appropriate re-uses of old tide mill sites and development of the use of tides as an energy source.

### TIDE MILL INSTITUTE'S *ACTIVITIES*:

**Annual conference    Newsletter    Lectures**  
**Site Visits    Displays    Research    Consultation**

## **THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

### Friday Morning

**8:30 – REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS & CONVERSATION**

**9:00 – WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

**9:15 – Mills of New Hampshire & Kittery**

Informal presentations by a wide range of local people who know and love the tide mills of the Seacoast region.

KITTERY – **Thompson’s Mill Pond** - John Viele

KITTERY – **The Chauncey Creek Tide Mill** – Deane Rykerson

KITTERY – **Several Spruce Creek Mills** - Fred Perry

RYE – **Several Tide Mills in Rye** -Craig Musselman

GREENLAND – **The Winnicutt River Tide Mill** - Nathan Hazen

NEWCASTLE – **The Ritson & Wentworth Tide Mills**- Jim Cerny

AN OPEN FORUM - **The Role of the Local Historical Society in Preserving and Interpreting the History of Local Tide Mills**

**NOON - LUNCH** (on your own)

### Friday Afternoon

**1:30 –EXPLORING LOCAL TIDE MILL SITES BY BUS & FOOT  
A TIDE MILL FIELD TRIP AT LOW TIDE**

*A bus trip to view historic tide mill sites in Portsmouth, Newcastle Island and Kittery. Informal walking shoes are recommended.*

## **THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM (continued)**

### Saturday Morning

**8:30 – REGISTRATION, LIGHT BREAKFAST & CONVERSATION**

**9:00 – WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

**9:15 – TIDE MILLS: OLD & NEW, NEAR & FAR, HERE & THERE**

**Exploring and Harnessing the Gulf of Maine’s Tidal Currents**

Lauren Scott- Department of Engineering, University of Maine

**Two Early Mills in the English Tidal Mud: Anglo Saxon and**

**Late Medieval** – Damian Goodburn – The Museum of London Archaeology

**Every Tide Mill in the World – An International**

**Documentation Effort** – Ewan Sonnic

**Pinpointing Boston’s Early Tide Mills** – Earl Taylor – President

of Dorchester Historical Society, Co-Founder TIDE MILL INSTITUTE

**NOON - LUNCH** (included in program)

### Saturday Afternoon

**Tide Mill Institute’s Annual Meeting**

**Finding Andrew Greele’s Tide Mill in Seabrook NH** – Jesse

Cofelice, Independent Archaeological Counseling, LLC

**From Maine to Georgia: Peveril Meigs’s Search for Tide Mills**

– Bud Warren - Co-Founder TIDE MILL INSTITUTE



Mill at North Mill Pond, Portsmouth



North Mill Pond, Portsmouth, c.1822, John Blunt



South Bridge, Portsmouth. Tide mill to the left