

HISTORY



We had such an overwhelming response to both of instructor Brian Wallin's classes!

We are happy to announce a second session of each. If you would like to attend one of these classes, please send payment of \$10 or stop by the office to register.

Jamestown and the Military

Thursday, May 7, from 9:30-11am

Jamestown, which encompasses Conanicut Island on Narragansett Bay's West Passage, has a long and diverse military history. Dating from early colonial days to the 20th century, the island community has experienced occupation (and devastation) by the British during the Revolution, to Civil War encampments, major coastal fortifications, and even a pair of top-secret World War II German POW camps. This lecture includes numerous, rare visual images and anecdotes.

Riding the Rails to Wickford: The Story of the Newport Wickford Railroad Steamship Company

Tuesday, April 21, at 9:30am

The Newport & Wickford Railroad and Steamship Company was built in 1870 by a group of wealthy New York and Rhode Island men who summered in Newport and wanted a convenient route from New York City. They created a quirky little connection of less than four miles from the mainline railroad to Wickford Harbor where their company also operated steamboat service across Narragansett Bay to Newport. This richly illustrated tale covers the life of the road until it was abandoned in 1925 by the then monopolistic New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad which had swallowed up the N&W in 1909. The lecture also touches briefly on the Seaview Trolley line that crossed paths with the railroad in Wickford village.

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