



The Crows' Courier

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*The mission of Crows' Feat Farm
is to build community through a collaborative
commitment to regenerative farming*

OUR PURPOSE



WHAT'S GROWING ON

Welcome Farmers!

We are delighted to welcome three new members of the Crows' Feat Farm cooperative: **Kelsy Townsend, Artty Francoeur** and **LJ Francoeur**. Kelsy has been working with Peter since last spring in maintaining the farm's infrastructure and landscape, while assisting with various organizational tasks. A native of Dover, Kelsy has it totally together and is an absolute pleasure to work with. Artty and LJ also hail from the Seacoast and have been involved in farming over many years and in multiple areas. LJ will be leading the farm's livestock operations, while helping to expand our vegetable and flower production. Artty is no stranger to farm machinery and will assist Pete and Kelsy on operations. As teachers *and* musicians, LJ and Artty bring insight and inspiration to our community outreach. Not to mention three awesome kids!

Kelsy, Artty and LJ join Deb, Ken, Eadyie, Peter and Karen in cultivating community through a shared commitment to regenerative farming. It is deeply rewarding to work with such a talented group of individuals, aligned around the core values of this farm: creating, learning from and supporting each other, while serving this community – thus building a whole that is better and stronger than the sum of its parts.

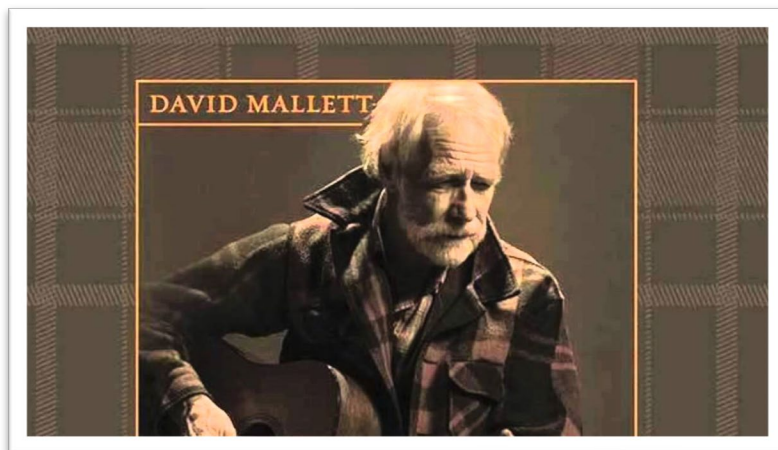
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You can read more about these wonderful people at the **Our Farmers** page on the Crows' Feat Farm website.

COMMUNITY CORNER

We will be kicking off our 2023 summer concert season with renowned singer-songwriter David Mallett, on Sunday June 11th. David came to fame with his iconic **Garden Song**, but that was only the beginning of a career in music that has spanned five decades and hundreds of wonderful songs. So many of David's musical themes resonate with the values of this farm, including his 2016 masterpiece, **Celebration**. We hope you will join us in celebrating this virtuoso of the folk genre.



BREAKING NEW GROUND

There's a Lot in Store!

In December we broke ground on the long-awaited Crows' Feat Farm store & kitchen, located at 180 Drinkwater Rd (aka Crows' East). The space will provide a place to sell our produce over an extended schedule of days and times – no more shivering in the cold, melting in the rain, or wilting in the heat! We will also be able to process our fruits and vegetables, while offering kitchen and cold storage space to other farmers who need it. Most importantly, we will have an area in which we can meet indoors during the winter months, and continue our community outreach.



At the moment, we're staring at a big hole in the ground! But we have trust in Bob Lang, an experienced local builder who is putting his men to work on behalf of Crows' Feat Farm. We'll be using pine cut and milled here at the farm to side the building – and doing many other things to maintain the local character of this modest structure. With any luck we'll open our doors before year end!

COME GROW WITH US

First Saturday Working Parties

March 4th

April 1st (no fooling!)

May 6th

From 9 am - noon, followed by a farm lunch!

On the first Saturday of every month, we gather as a community to perform the work of this farm that none of us can do alone. In September and November, we got co-op member Ken Couture's hoop house up. We also canned many crates of tomatoes and put our gardens to "bed" for the winter. In December we cleared walking trails through the woods, for the enjoyment of our community, and in January gathered seaweed to nourish the soil. Come join us for fun, food and friendship!

