

# 12th Annual Colchester

Saturday,  
September 24

2016

Colchester RecPlex  
215 Old Hebron Ave.

# 57 Fest



Concert from 6-8pm  
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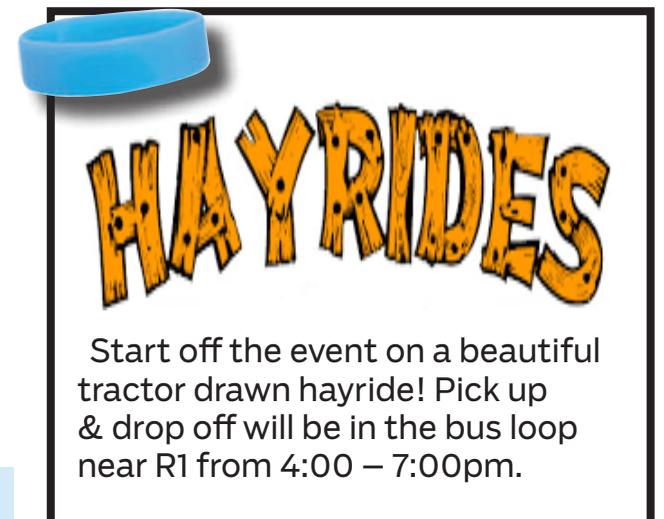


# Why the “57 Fest?”

Colchester community members have long known what CNN/Money Magazine officially recognized in 2005: Colchester is a fantastic place to live, work, play, and grow. In its July 2005 issue, the magazine ranked Colchester as the 57th best place to live in the country. As community events and activities are no small part of what makes Colchester such a great town, what could be a more fitting way to

celebrate this national honor than with a fall family festival?

We welcome one and all to spend the day at the park enjoying all it has to offer, including special activities and shows planned for that day, as well as the year round facilities, such as the playgrounds, sports facilities, skate park and more!



## Parking & Shuttles

With the large turnout expected for the event, the town has developed a parking and transportation plan to ensure all attendees have convenient and safe places to park for the festival. Attendees are encouraged to park in one of the designated shuttle lots, which will be served by FREE continuously looping shuttles throughout the day, continuing until well after the completion of the fireworks.

## Shuttle Lots:

Jack Jackter Intermediate School starting at **4pm** (215 Halls Hill Road)  
St. Andrews Church starting at **5pm** (128 Norwich Avenue)

Limited parking will be available at the Recreation Complex on Old Hebron Road: by the Concession Stand, as well as at the Annex, by the tennis courts.

Handicapped parking will be available in the “north lot” of the Recreation Complex, by the Pavilion, directly across from the golf course entrance.

Street parking will be available along one side of the street on both Old Hebron Road and

Stollman Road. Please obey posted parking restrictions.

Significant parking will also be available along Old Hartford Road, including the Commuter Lot by the Colchester Highway Department. Access to the park from these locations is through the R8 field (behind the Commuter Lot) and up a short stairway.

**For more information and updates on 57 fest, go to [www.colchesterct.gov](http://www.colchesterct.gov) or call 537-7297. Follow us on Facebook & Twitter #57Fest2016**

## Rain Cancellation

Sunday, September 25, 4pm is the rain date for the “57 Fest.” To find out if the event has been rescheduled to poor weather, you may visit the town web site ([www.colchesterct.gov](http://www.colchesterct.gov)) or call the Parks & Recreation Office: 537-7297. Additionally, an email will go out on the Parks & Recreation Announcement List – to subscribe to the list visit the web site [www.colchesterct.gov](http://www.colchesterct.gov) and “subscribe to news”. Important information will also be posted on Colchester Parks and Recreation’s Facebook page & on our Twitter!



Time	Activity	Location
4:00 – 5:00	“57” 1 Mile Runs .....	Bacon Academy Track
4:00 – 7:30	S&S Games and Activities .....	Concourse
4:00 – 7:30	Touch-a-Truck.....	R2
4:00 – 7:45	Spin Art .....	Concourse
4:00 – 7:45	Inflatable Obstacle Course .....	Midway
4:00 – 7:45	Face Painting.....	Midway
4:00 – 7:45	Inflatable Bounce House .....	Midway
4:00 – 7:45	Photo Booth.....	Midway
4:00 – 7:45	Laser Tag .....	Midway
4:00 – 7:45	Monkey Bridge & Orienteering .....	R3
4:00 – 7:45	Big Daddy’s Racing .....	Midway
4:00 – 7:45	Rock Wall.....	Midway
4:00 – 8:00	Robot Display .....	Skate Park
4:00 – 7:45	Giant Slide .....	Midway
4:00 – 7:00	Tomahawk Throw .....	R3
4:00 – 7:45	Archery .....	R3
4:00 – 7:45	Car Seat Safety Demo.....	Midway
4:00 – 4:20	Bacon Academy Dance Team .....	Main Stage
4:20 – 4:40	The Dance Academy of Colchester .....	Main Stage
4:40 – 5:00	America’s Best Defense .....	Main Stage
5:00 – 5:20	Jazzercise.....	Main Stage
5:20 – 5:40	Doreen’s Dance Center .....	Main Stage
5:40 – 6:00	Alyson’s School of Dance.....	Main Stage
6:00 – 8:00	IN DEEP .....	Main stage
8:00 – 8:30	FIREWORKS!.....	R6

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## Schedule of Events

### Visit our activity booths on the Concourse:

S&S Worldwide, i98.3 Radio, United Bank, Colchester Republicans, Cragin Memorial Library, Peoples United Bank, Colchester Dog Park, and Colchester Civic Orchestra, DIME Bank, Courant Community, Colchester Mom’s Club, Colchester is Kind

### Midway Area:

AAA Driving School, Backus Hospital, Casey Chiropractic, Car Seat Installation/Safety, Toyota of Colchester, Trionos, Colchester Continental Fife & Drum, First Robotics Team 1699 Robocats, Colchester Democrats, Colchester Day Camp, Colchester Fire Cadets, Face Painting, and Boy Scout Troups 72 & 109

### FOOD COURT

**Colchester Lion’s Club** – Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Fried Dough  
**Uncle D’s Blazin BBQ** – Ribs, Chicken, Pulled Pork Sandwiches

**Mamoun’s Falafel** – Middle Eastern

**Sugar Bakery** – Gourmet Cupcakes

**New England Soft Serve** – Soft Serve Ice Cream and Sundaes

**Ben & Jerry’s** – Scooped Hard Ice Cream and Treats

**Greekin’ Out** – Chicken and Pork Gyros, Greek Fries

**Celiac Epicurean** – Gluten Free Hamburgers, Chicken Sandwiches, Truffle Fries

**Szabo’s Seafood** – Lobster Rolls and Seafood

## ‘57’ 1-Mile Runs!

As part of Colchester’s 57 Fest Celebration on Saturday, September 24th, Health and Physical Education teacher from Colchester Elementary School Don Levine will be coordinating an afternoon of free timed 1/4 mile to 1 mile races at the beautiful Bacon Academy track. The 1-mile is a classic race distance that is rarely run nowadays (has been “replaced” with the 1500 and 1600 meters.) Younger kids that don’t want to run a mile can run a 1/4 mile or 1/2 mile. Males, females & adults & Seniors are encouraged to participate! Registration is from

3:30 to 4:00 p.m. Races will begin promptly at 4 p.m. Parents wishing to run with their children can do so. There are no prizes, no awards, just races for the competitive fun.



## Show us your “57”!

**Do you have “57” hats?**

**Is your street address “57”?**

**Do you own a “57” Chevy?**

**Are you “57” years old?**

**Can you do “57” jumping jacks?**

Colchester Day Camp Staff want you to show them your “57”!

Camp Staff be on hand at the “Show Us Your “57”!” booth at this year’s Colchester “57”

Fest, and they can not wait to see just how creative the community will be.

Each person that stops at the booth and demonstrates their “57” will earn an official “57” temporary tattoo!



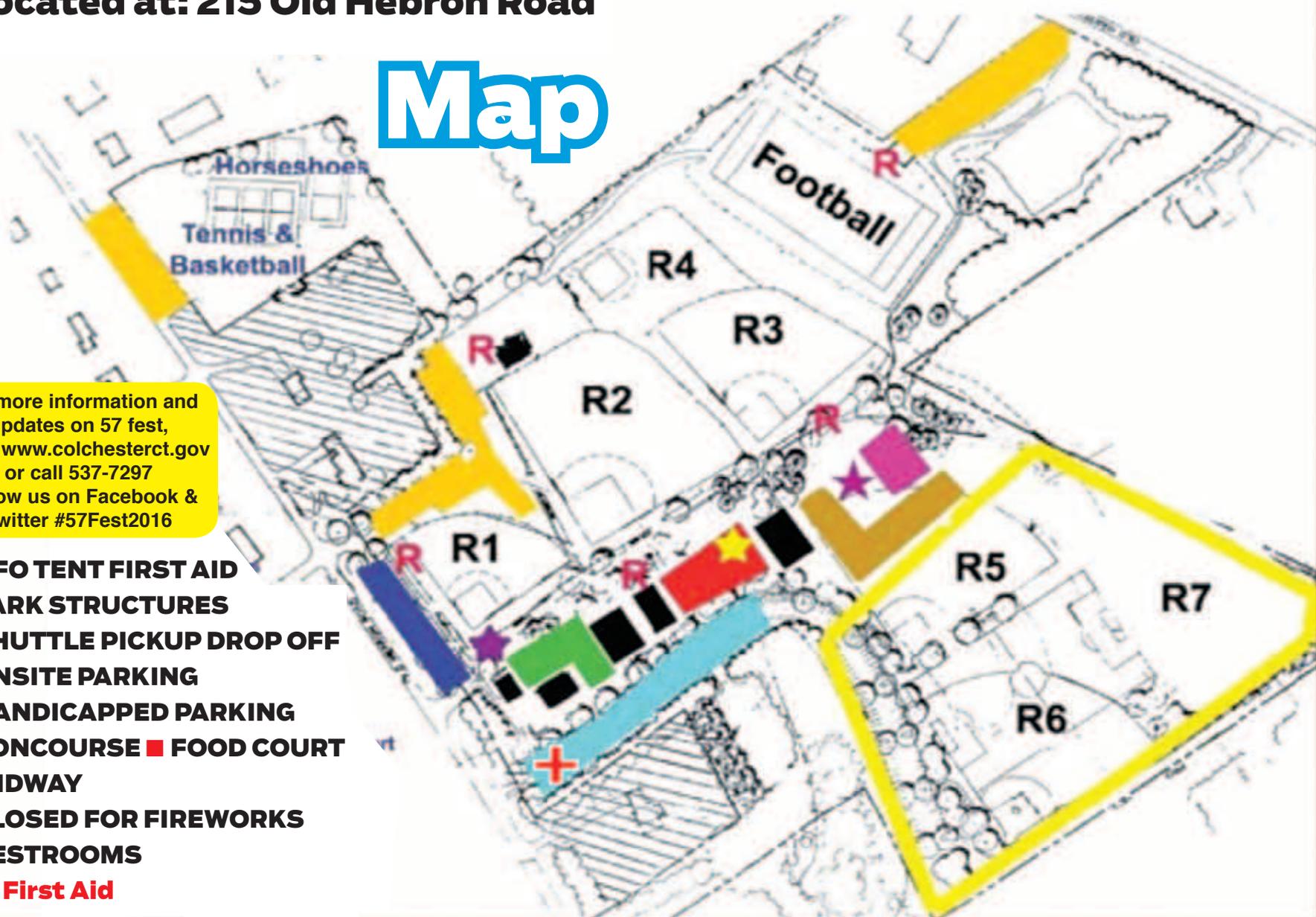
*Parks & Recreation Information Booth on the Concourse*

Located at: 215 Old Hebron Road

# Map

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- **MIDWAY**
- **CLOSED FOR FIREWORKS**
- **R RESTROOMS**
- + First Aid**



## TOUCH A TRUCK!



Featuring Town construction equipment, SWAT vehicle, State Police Roll Over Machine, the Convincer, Canine demonstration on R2 from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. A special visit from LIFESTAR at 5pm will take place on R5. Please allow LIFESTAR to land and turn off engine before approaching the helicopter.

## Rock Wall

Climb to your hearts content on our climbing-grade harnesses, extra heavy duty locking careeners and safety hardware, and separate independent enclosed auto belay systems for each climber which automatically lower the climber to the ground once they reach the top.



## Remote Control Car Racing

Imagine racing your favorite Winston Cup stock car on a banked oval speedway at scale speeds up to 200mph! Take part in this exhilarating fun at the Big Daddy's Racing booth on the Midway all evening!



## Obstacle Course Packs a Powerful Punch!



Have fun navigating through this packed inflated obstacle course before climbing to the top of a 15' rock wall than slide down the inflated slide to the bottom to finish the course. Each 64' lane run guarantees a heart pumping and super fun inflatable experience!

## FACE PAINTING

Our talented face painter will be at the Parks & Recreation Information Tent from 4:00 – 7:45pm

With our Favorite Fantasy painter- Miss Ruth



**Don't miss the "57 Fest Photo Booth" on the midway!**



**Glow Necklaces** for sale at all three Information Booths - near R1 & R5 to the left of the Main Stage. Help support the fireworks by purchasing glow necklaces. \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.



**Bracelets** for sale at all three Information Booths - near R1 & R5 to the left of the Main Stage. Help support the fireworks by purchasing an activity Bracelet for \$6.00.



## Bounce House

Our Inflatable Bounce House are perfect for ages 2-102! Kids will love jumping, jumping and more jumping!

## Laser Tag

Laser tag is like hide and seek with high tech flashlights. It's fun for everyone because it's a game of skill and strategy and makes all that childhood excitement bubble up in us, no matter what our age.



## Thank You to our Sponsors and Committee Members!

No event this big happens without a lot of help, and the “57 Fest” is no exception.

Prior to the 2005 event, Colchester had not seen fireworks since 1998, when it celebrated its Tercentennial. Several local businesses and organizations, however, have committed their support and partnership to ensure that the town can properly celebrate what the community has already known for many years: Colchester is a fantastic place to live, work, play, and grow.

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With community support like this, it is no wonder that the Coordinating Committee is so excited to put on a first-class event each year. The committee consisted of staff from many town departments, as well as the Colchester Public Schools. Thank you to one and all who contributed to this year’s “57 Fest!”

# *Fire in the Sky!*

At 8:00pm, the skies over the Recreation Complex will be ablaze with a spectacular display produced by Zambelli Fireworks .

With their extensive experience in special effects as well as fireworks, this promises to be a show to remember!



With the flat, wide-open layout of the Recreation Complex, there is truly no bad seat in the house. The display will be shot from the rear of the park, meaning that R5, R6 & R7 will be closed off for safety;

however, the rest of the park will be open. The best viewing areas will be any of the open ball fields, R1, R2 and R3.

## **FEATURED CONCERT:** **“IN DEEP”** **on the Stage 6-8pm**

**“IN DEEP”** is one of Southern New England’s leading classic rock bands covering the wide range of musical artists, both past and present with many of the band members residing here in Colchester!



Members of the band bring many years of experience and talent creating a powerful sound and high energy sets. Grab your dancing shoes and bring your friends.....IN DEEP will always bring the ROCK!



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