

# WOODSTOCK CT

# ANNUAL EVENTS



## Memorial Day

There are many annual Memorial Day traditions in Woodstock CT. The day starts with the 10 K Road Race at the Woodstock Academy Field House. Be sure to visit one of our 8 cemeteries that host honor ceremonies with Veterans and Scouts every year.

The Annual Memorial Day Parade kicks off at 11:30 am on Woodstock Hill. Join your neighbors to support our local organizations that march in the parade to honor those who have fallen for our Freedom. The parade is followed by a short service including the American Legion Essay Contest Winner, East Woodstock Cornet Band and the announcement of our Fire Fighter of the Year by the Veteran Monument on the Commons.



## Honor & Freedom



## 4th of July Jamboree

The village of East Woodstock provides a wonderful family friendly event every July 4th. Live music, book sale, cake walk, bike parade, Fire Department Water Polo, Strawberry Shortcake, face painting and more. Bring a blanket and spend the day at this traditional community event to celebrate Independence Day in Woodstock CT!

## Woodstock Fair

The Woodstock Fair tradition continues every Labor Day Weekend. Woodstock Fair provides all the entertainment you can imagine- Food, Fun, Rides, Demonstrations, Animals, Tractors, Arts & Crafts, Live Music, Horse & Oxen Pulls, Horse Show and Vendors. Always open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday of Labor Day Weekend.



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## East Woodstock Cornet Band Concert

Don't miss this Woodstock Tradition! Bring the whole family with blankets and chairs for a free concert put on by our very own East Woodstock Cornet Band. This event takes place every August (usually on the 3rd Thursday) on the South Common. Support the American Legion by partaking in their grilled burgers before the concert. Be sure to visit with your fellow Woodstockers on this fun evening.



## Garden Club Plant Sale

The Quiet Corner Garden Club is a fantastic local organization. They hold an annual plant sale on the Saturday before Mother's Day every year at the Woodstock Fairgrounds boasting a wide variety of plants for your garden. Be sure to arrive early for the best selection as they always sell out.

## Jog With Judy

This is a family-friendly out and back 5K race in honor of Judy Nilan. Judy was a social worker at the Woodstock Middle School who had a tremendous impact on the people around her. The monies raised provide financial support for a broad range of educational initiatives that inspire every student's lifelong love of learning at the PK-8 Woodstock Public Schools.



## Easter Events

Woodstock Easter Traditions include the annual Sunrise Service at Woodstock Academy and the Egg Hunt at Roseland Cottage. Bring your own baskets for the Egg Hunt and a non perishable donation for local charity. Kids grades Pre-K thru 4 are able to enter their artistic creations in the Peeps Diorama Contest as well!

## Town Wide Yardsale

The annual Town Wide Yard Sale is held every June. For details and registration, reach out to the Woodstock Recreation Department. Maps are available for purchase with proceeds going to local food pantry to purchase needed items.

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## Trick or Treat

Woodstock Academy offers a very popular Trick Or Treat Experience in the halls of the Bowen Building. This indoor event is hosted by the clubs and teams of the Woodstock Academy. Come in Costume and bring your own candy buckets.

Trick or Treat at the Pink House is always fun. This is a great option for littles as there is not a ton of walking and the festivities are historically based. Kids can knock on doors of the historic Roseland Cottage and get treats from ghosts of the past.

Both the Woodstock Academy and Roseland Cottage events take place on the same night in October.



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## Fine Arts & Craft Festival

This festival has something for everyone and takes place when our town is vibrant with fall foliage colors! The local artisans in the area have recently instituted their own craft fair just down the road from Roseland Cottage allowing all festival goers to experience two separate events on this October weekend in the Historic District of Woodstock Hill.

## Roseland Trunk or Treat

The annual Trunk or Treat event at Roseland Park began in 2020 and grows bigger and better every year. This event fills the park with festive candy stops hosted by local businesses, non profit groups and families for the ultimate Halloween fun in the beautiful setting of Roseland in the fall.



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## Winter Festival

The Woodstock Winter Festival is a great way to celebrate the holiday season with local businesses and the community. The day starts early with the Christmas 5K and Fun Run at Roseland Park. Followed by a variety of free events at various locations in town and raffle drawing with entry based on stamps from participating locations. There is also a wreath raffle and tree lighting ceremony to end the day. This event is held annually on the second Saturday in December.



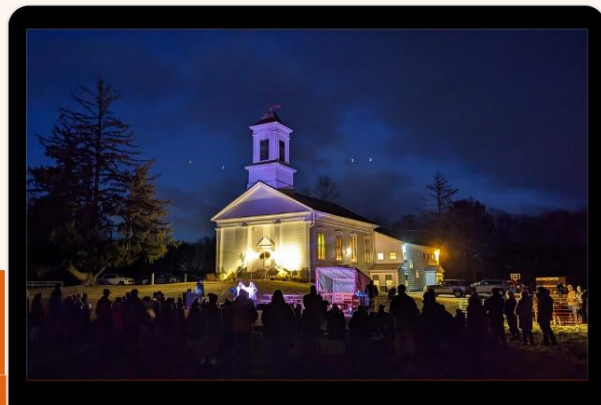
## Holiday Lights Contest

Take a drive to enjoy the magic of Holiday Lights in Woodstock, CT. Every season, the public is invited to vote on the best light display. Maps are available through the Recreation Department and all Woodstock residents and businesses are encouraged to participate as a display and/or voter.



## Live Nativity

Be sure to enjoy the annual tradition of the Live Nativity at South Woodstock Baptist Church. This event includes live animals, beautiful live music and snacks to warm you up from the crisp holiday air. Dress warm and pull up a hay bale to celebrate the season with your neighbors.



## Holly Fair

There is no better way to share the Holiday Spirit than with hand made gifts and treats.

The annual Holly Fair at East Woodstock Congregational Church is held in November and gets the ball rolling with Holiday preparations and spirit.

## Christmas on the Hill

The First Congregational Church of Woodstock hosts the traditional Christmas on the Hill November including wreaths, gifts, crafts, sweet treats and Chicken Pot Pie available for purchase.