Taylor-Bray Farm was originally settled in 1639. The grounds are open daily, year-round, dawn to dusk. The farm offers picnic tables, short woodland walking trails, and beautiful views of Black Flats marsh, which was once harvested for its salt marsh hay to feed farm animals.

Farm buildings are not open to the public. Local publications feature announcements of farm events.

The farm property is owned by the Town of Yarmouth and is co-maintained by the Taylor-Bray Farm Preservation Association for historic preservation and conservation purposes. The association was founded in 2001 and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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YARMOUTH PORT, MA 02675

www.taylorbrayfarm.org

News from the Farm

This year has been better for the farm. We had a very successful Sheep Festival in June and now we have had a great Fall Festival. Both events were successful due to our generous volunteers who make it possible.

We need more volunteers to help with our festivals. During the Fall festival we were unable to open the farmhouse because we did not have volunteers. In addition to farmhouse volunteers, for the Sheep, Fall and Holiday Festivals, we need help with parking, merchandise and food sales and assisting with Hayrides.

The Holiday Festival will be held on December 3rd and 4th, 2022. Volunteers are needed the week before to make wreaths and swags for the festival. Christmas trees, wreaths and swags will be available for purchase along with baked goods. We could use donated baked goods for both days. If you make baked goods make sure to include the ingredients for those people who have allergies. We will need volunteers to open the house, help with food items, take care of sales, and help with Hayrides. Let’s hope for sunny days.

Thank you to Petersons Market who donates their unused vegetables and fruit to the farm for feeding the animals. I would also like to thank Cape Abilities Farm for their donations of fruit and vegetables to the farm. Chloe and the chickens really appreciate the delicious meals they receive from these generous donations.

The first phase of the barn renovation is complete. The barn has been stabilized and made stronger with a new foundation and first floor deck. The Town needs to apply for more funds to complete the project. The next phase will include new windows, doors, siding, trim, roof, electrical and finished office area with a bathroom and kitchen.

The Association will hold its annual meeting November 8, 2022 beginning 7:00 PM. Participation will be done through Zoom and at the barn. A proxy form is included in this mailing for members who will not be able to attend in person. An invitation will be emailed with the Zoom link for the meeting. If you are not going to participate in the Zoom meeting then it is important for you to fill out the proxy and return it to TBFPA P.O. Box 66, Yarmouth Port MA 02675, If you checked and signed the authorization on your membership form to receive annual meeting and proxy via e-mail you may file your proxy electronically.

Our annual membership drive is still receiving completed forms. If you know of anyone that has not renewed their membership, please encourage them to do so.

Marty Murphy
President, TBFPA
Meet Caraway

He’s our new Navajo Churro ram. Caraway came to the farm in September from the Mountain Meadows Farm in East Ryegate, Vermont. He was born in March making him 6 months old when he arrived. Come introduce yourself.

Have You Tried Taylor-Bray Farm Honey?

Thanks to farm volunteer and beekeeper, Mark Ohrenberger, we had local honey on sale again at the farm. It was a big hit, and the large and medium size jars were sold out by the end of the Festival. Great job thank you Mark!

Barn Renovation

The 200 year old barn had suffered the ravages of too many New England winters. As noted in News from the Farm, phase I of the long awaited renovation has been completed. Visit our website, www.taylorbrayfarm.org, for detailed updates and videos of the ongoing project. Below are a few photos of the work.
**Don’t forget our**

**Winter Holiday Sale**

**Saturday and Sunday**

**December 3 & 4, 2022**

**10am-4pm**

There will be hayrides and sales of Christmas trees, wreaths, decorations and of course, our ever popular baked goods.

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**2013 Calendars Are Now Available**

Our 2023 calendars will be available at our Holiday Open House December 3 & 4.

Photos from many of our Volunteers and Visitors are included. They make great holiday gifts.

Price continues to be $15 and all profits go to the Farm. Copies can also be ordered and mailed on request with shipping cost added.

Call or text (774)251-1869 to order.
Fall Festival Highlights

After a rainy start to the day, the sunshine came out and so did the crowds. The pumpkin patch was emptied, there were lines for hot dogs and hamburgers and hayrides. Everyone had a great time seeing the barn again, playing children games, and enjoying the day.