



Grafs Island

Grape Island

Toufants Point

Fort Point

Lower Neck Point

William Web Park

Juniper Point

NORTH WEYMOUTH

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- 1622 -

The dates on this map reflect the most accurate dates available.

LEGEND

- Old water line in 1790
- Early road
- Present road
- Lovells Grove* Old place name
- (A) Area of historic interest

1	1650	82 Sea Street	16	1793	391 North Street
2	1674	103 Green Street	17	1800	15 Pratt Avenue
3	1685	North/Norton	18	1800	33 Pratt Avenue
4	1766	152 Green Street	19	1800	40 Pratt Avenue
5	1768	267 North Street	20	1800	18 Pratt Avenue
6	1768	5 Lincoln Street	21	1800	21 Shaw Street
7	1768	157 Pearl Street	22	1800	37 Shaw Street
8	1780	23 Pratt Avenue	23	1800	84 Neck Street
9	1783	22 Sea Street	24	1800	34 Curtis Street
10	1790	189 Sea Street	25	1800	26 Curtis Street
11	1790	124 Green Street	26	1800	382 North Street
12	1791	54 Lovell Street	27	1800	406 North Street
13	1793	27 Newton Street	28	1800	418 North Street
14	1793	56 Sea Street	29	1800	400 North Street
15	1793	103 Pearl Street	30	1800	121 North Street

The houses shown on this map at this time in 1996 are still there. This does not mean that this was the total number of houses in 1800.

We know that according to a number of old maps that there were quite a few more than are shown on this map.

Over the years these houses that we see today have changed. We know that in the 1600's the houses were made of logs and thatched roof, etc. Many have been updated to their modern present conditions.

Because of oil lamps and fireplaces in addition to upset natives, quite a few of the older homes were destroyed by fire.



LOVELLS GROVE

(2) Back River Road, off River Street, was the site of Weymouth Iron Works Pier. The Pier was a means to transfer products in and out of Back River.

(3) Later this land was used by Bradley as a farm to provide food for workers.

F.

(1) Bradley Fertilizer Plant, est. in 1863, employed many. Twenty homes were built for employees, beyond the facility. At the time Bradley owned most of the Fort Point and Great Hill.

(2) Grape Island is historically known for the Alarm (1775) when the Weymouth and Hingham Militias stopped the British from haying.

(3) Webb Park, today a popular area for walks and picnics, is at Fort Point's end.

G.

(1) St. Jerome Chapel, first located on Lovell Street est. 1881, later became a church on Bridge Street in 1915. The modern and larger church was built in 1965.

(2) John E. Stoddard Shoe Factory, 1860, built between Lindale Avenue and Bradley Road.

(3) In 1637 a ferry crossed Back River between Weymouth and Hingham. Later in 1812 the London Bridge was built and replaced by a much higher one in 1943.

H.

(1) Old Spain (Shoe Factories)

General History

1622 Arrival of Thomas Weston In August

1623 Arrival of Sir Ferdinando Georges Company

1630 Town recognized as part of Massachusetts Bay Colony

1632 Weymouth visited by Governor Winthrop

1635 A. Arrival of Rev. Joseph Hull with twenty-one families on May 5

B. Town of Weymouth is incorporated

C. A ferry established between Weymouth and Wollaston

1636 A. Boundaries with Mount Wollaston and Bare Cove (Hingham)

B. Grape and Round Islands ceded to Weymouth by General Court

C. First property tax levied on the citizens

1637 A. The Pequot War

B. Ferry established between Weymouth and Hingham

C. Town population: 500

1641 Town clerk established

1642 Purchase of Weymouth (land) from Indians

1643 Town population: 900

1644 A. First minister (Thomas Thacher) ordained in Weymouth

B. First constables chosen

1651 Townsmen become known as Selectmen

1667 Bell procured and hung in repaired meetinghouse

1670 Appropriation and budgets first used by town

1675 King Philip's War

1679 Formation of Horse Militia

1682 New church erected on present site of edifice at Weymouth Heights; burned in 1751

1683 Ballots first used to elect selectmen

1689 French and Indian Wars

1691 Plymouth joins Massachusetts Bay Colony

1699 First school committee formed

1723 Weymouth divided into two precincts

1744 Abigail Smith

1751 A. North Meetinghouse destroyed by fire

B. One in every ten of inhabitants perished from a throat distemper

1753 New church built

1755 French and Indian in progress; forty men under the Command of Capt. Samuel Thaxter depart for Crow Point, a brave quota, six never return

1764 A. Abigail Smith married John Adams

B. Stamp Act

1773 Boston Tea Party

1775 A. Paul Revere's Ride (revolutionary War)

B. Battle of Grape Island

1776 Declaration of Independence

1779 Penobscot Expedition

1789 George Washington (President)

1790 A. First official census

B. First map of Weymouth

1797 John Adams (President)

WEYMOUTH HISTORY SHOWING THE BEGINNING IN NORTH WEYMOUTH WESSAGUSCUS – OLD SPAIN – WESSAGUSSET STORY ABOUT MAP

A.

(1) In 1635 the ferry from Ferry Point to Wollaston was established.

(2) The first bridge was built in 1812.

(3) The second bridge was a swing bridge in 1902.

(4) The third bridge was built in 1934 and is a double draw.

(5) In the early 1900s Lovell's Grove was very active. The Pine Point Hotel on Ferry Point was where the steam ship stopped to let passengers off for a day of fun.

(6) The Fore River shipyard founded by Thomas A. Watson who later was called on to design and build a new bridge, which was finished in 1902.

(7) The Boston Edgar Station was finished in 1925 and was closed down in 1977. The Site Edgar Plant will have a historic museum at the present gatehouse area.

B.

(1) Hunt's Hill original landing was in Hunt's Hill Cove, now King Cove.

(2) Porter Keene Shipyard: 1876.

(3) The Fish Co., the first to incorporate in Weymouth, was at the end of Sea Street.

(4) The Bay Side Inn Hotel, end of Sea Street, moved in 1906.

C.

(1) Wessagussett Beach and Yacht Club, the landing for Chief Justice Taft when he dedicated the stone on Great Hill 1923.

D.

(1) Smith Hill, later Great Hill, was named after a sea captain believed to have been related to Abigail Adams' father.

(2) The Great Hill stone was donated by the Society of Colonial Wars on June 16, 1923 and later replaced by the Weymouth Historical Commission in 1998.

(3) Great Hill land was acquired from Mr. James Bates in 1895 and Mr. Bradley in 1938.

E.

(1) The Bower House and Hotel and railroad station at the intersection of River Street and Fort Point Road.