



Do you Think Your Street's Name?

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Recently, while working at the Nottingham Historical Society, the Van Dame School and Museum, next to the Town Hall, I was shown by Mary Colvard an article in the 2012 *Nottingham Community Newsletter* entitled "So....where do you think you live?". It reviews many of the town's road original names. This article is based on that. This is especially timely since Nottingham has just celebrated its 300th Anniversary.

The 1722 Nottingham Charter focused on Nottingham Square and expanded from it. Hence, the original four corners are a good place to begin. Starting from the intersection at Nottingham Square is NH Route 156 going north.



That section of the road was called North Street.

Moving clockwise there is Ledge Farm Road, which leads to Epping.



This section of the road was called King Street.

Getting to 6 o'clock, NH Route 156 goes to Raymond.



That section of the road was called Fish Street.

Finally, $\frac{3}{4}$ of the hour, we are on the road to Deerfield. It is called Deerfield Road.



This section of the road was called Bow Street.

This makes sense since all the original roads in Nottingham were dirt roads. NH Route 156 came in as an asphalt highway.

The same appeals to NH Route 152. From Nottingham Center aka where the library, SAU 107, and Town Hall are, you are heading on NH Route 152 toward Northwood.



That was originally called New Road.

If you go from Nottingham Center toward Lee that is now NH Route 152.



That was called Jebucter Road.

If you live on Gebig Road,



Picture by Peggy Tucker

That road was called Jebucter.

Up till now, the focus has been on the four corners at Nottingham Square and the town center, Again, historically they were dirt roads that the state paved over as they became state highways. But, other town roads also had name changes. There is Kennard Road.



Picture by Michael Koester

That was once called Board Hill.

The road names have changed, and Nottingham is growing. If you want to know more about Nottingham, the Nottingham Historical Society, the Van Dame School and Museum, next to the Town Hall, is free and open every Thursday 9-11 AM, and the last Saturday of each month, 9-11 AM.