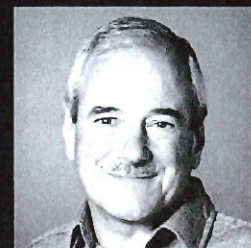


October 6th | 7:00 PM: The Colebrook Historical Society presents...

“Restoring New England’s Original Energy Resource”



**MICHAEL
KERR**

The Colebrook Historical Society will host a “Friday Night Gathering” on Friday, October 6th. The evening will begin at 7:00 PM at The Seymour Inn, home of the CHS, with refreshments and conversation. Circa 7:30 P.M. the group will move next door to the Colebrook Town Hall Meeting Room to hear a special presentation by Michael Kerr, Founder and CEO of the New England Hydropower Company (NEHC), founded in 2012 to restore hydropower on existing low head dams and canals throughout the Northeast.

Water power was the original energy source that drove the development of the mills, foundries and canals that enabled the Industrial Revolution. Over time the mills went out of business and railways replaced canals for transport. New England’s towns and cities were left with the obligation but little funding to maintain these impoundments and clean up the rivers.

While large scale hydropower has provided a significant source of power for the last 100 years, little has been done since the Depression to repower the rivers of the Northeast. Wind and solar have become the dominant sources of renewable energy. Mr. Kerr’s company has been one of the first in the US to introduce small scale hydropower technologies. These have been

proven in Europe to provide fish and environmentally friendly hydropower while preserving and restoring historically important dams and canals. The NEHC has plants now operating in Meriden, CT and Cumberland, RI, with further plants in development in Pennsylvania and Vermont. In his presentation, Mr. Kerr will discuss the work his company is doing to add this source of zero emissions energy to the renewable energy mix and answer questions from the audience.

The gathering will then return to the Seymour Inn for more refreshments. The Inn is located at the intersection of Routes 183 and 182A in Colebrook Center.

ALL ARE MOST WELCOME!

The evening of October 9th will begin at 7:00 P.M. at the **Colebrook Historical Society & Museum.** More refreshments will be available afterwards.

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