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1 Rockingham Old Home Days returns this weekend with  
2 a celebration of community, history, and tradition

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5 The Bellows Falls Downtown Development Alliance  
6 (BFDDA), in partnership with the Rockingham Old Home Days  
7 Committee and community organizations throughout the town,  
8 present the return of Rockingham Old Home Days Weekend,  
9 taking place Friday, July 31, through Sunday, Aug. 2.

10           This year's celebration brings together new traditions and  
11 long-standing favorites for a weekend that celebrates the history,  
12 people, and community spirit of Rockingham.

13           The weekend begins Friday, July 31, with a Community  
14 Car Show hosted by the Hit or Miss Car Club from 5:30 to 7:30  
15 p.m. The show will be held in the BDR Transport parking lot on  
16 Route 5, the new home of the Twin Falls Training Center. Visitors  
17 are invited to enjoy an evening of classic, custom, antique, and  
18 specialty vehicles while kicking off the Old Home Days  
19 festivities.

20           On Saturday, Aug. 1, the Bellows Falls Fish Ladder will  
21 host a full day of special programming from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
22 Visitors are encouraged to stop by one of the community's most  
23 unique natural and historic attractions to enjoy educational  
24 exhibits, interactive activities, and learn more about the annual  
25 migration of fish along the Connecticut River.

26           Also on Saturday, the centerpiece of the weekend will  
27 bring the community together for a full day of activities  
28 throughout the area. The festival, which is happening from 4 to 9  
29 p.m., features local vendors, community organizations, live  
30 entertainment, food vendors, family activities, demonstrations,  
31 and opportunities to explore and support local businesses.

32           Residents and visitors alike are invited to spend the day  
33 enjoying everything the community has to offer while  
34 reconnecting with friends, neighbors, and the traditions that have  
35 made Old Home Days a hallmark of summer in Rockingham.

36           The weekend concludes Sunday, August 2, with the  
37 annual Pilgrimage to the Rockingham Meeting House, a  
38 cherished tradition that has been part of Old Home Days for  
39 more than a century.

40           "Old Home Days is about celebrating what makes  
41 Rockingham such a special place,"BFDDA Executive Director  
42 Casey Griffin said in a news release. "By bringing together  
43 longtime traditions like the Pilgrimage with exciting new events  
44 like the community car show, we're creating a weekend that

45 honors our past while celebrating the vibrant community we  
46 have today.”

47 For the complete schedule of events, visit  
48 [gfrcc.org/rohd2026](http://gfrcc.org/rohd2026), follow Great Falls Regional Chamber of  
49 Commerce on Facebook and @greatfallschambervt on Instagram.

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