

FORM A - AREA

Assessor's Sheets USGS Quad Area Letter Form Numbers in Area

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Town/City: Dartmouth

Place (*neighborhood or village*):
South Dartmouth

Name of Area: Barney's Joy Farm

Present Use: Single Family Residential, Equestrian Center

Construction Dates or Period: c1800-late 20th century

Overall Condition: Good

Major Intrusions and Alterations:
Side Addition (20th century)

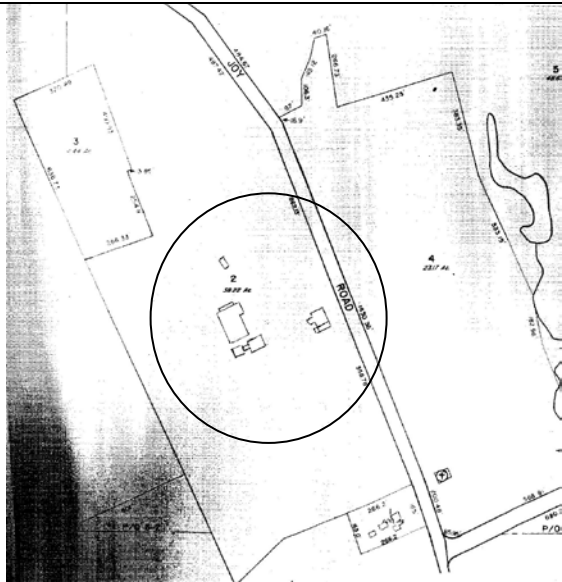
Acreage: 49 Acres

Recorded by: Julie Ann Larry ttl-architects, llc

Organization: ttl-architects, llc

Date (*month/year*): July 2011

Locus Map



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DARTMOUTH 156 BARNEY'S JOY ROAD

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Describe architectural, structural and landscape features and evaluate in terms of other areas within the community.

Peak Rock Farm at 156 Barney's Joy Road (DAR.38) is located on the west and east sides of the road. The house is set back from the road edge. The dwelling is located on a level grassy lawn and is bounded on three sides by stone walls. The dwelling is bounded on the north side by the gravel drive. The gravel drive splits into two drives just past the stone wall to the rear (west) of the dwelling, forming a U-shaped drive. The stone walls are a significant character defining feature of the farm, bounding not only the lawn but a kitchen garden to the rear of the dwelling and the pastures and fields on both sides of the road associated with the farm.

Peak Rock Farm consists of a main house, outdoor paddocks, indoor riding arena, outdoor riding arena, lunging ring, 19-stall dressage facility with several double fenced turnout paddocks, an Olympic size outdoor arena, a full size grass arena, a 60 ft. x 120 ft. indoor, a jump field, hayfields for galloping. The farm consists of three lots Map 10 Lot 3 (4 acres), Map 9 Lot 20 (7 acres) & Map 10 Lot 2 (38 acres) Land across the street from the farm (155 Barney's Joy Road) is separately held by another owner and utilized as cropland.

"The hip roofed dwelling is from the Federal period, and it can be linked directly to the roof type of the Georgian era directly preceding the Federal. It is squarish in massing, and has two end chimneys. Front façade is symmetrical with regard to doorway and window placement. Doorway is framed by pilasters, elliptical fanlight, and broken pediment. Windows are capped by splayed lintels. A thin corner board is at house corners. Cornice overhangs somewhat over façade. Structure is two stories in height, and foundation is of granite." (Ken Weinstein & K Fair, Dartmouth Historical Commission, 1983)

To the west of the house are a stone wellhouse (DAR.705) and an attached windmill base (DAR.704). The wellhouse is a low structure with field stone set in a concrete mortar to form the building's walls. The hip roof of the well house is sheathed in wood shingles. Connected to the west side of the wellhouse is a tall narrow windmill base. The tapering walls of the building are clad in wood shingles, as is the hip roof. A square window is located at the top of the structure on each side of the building.

In the center of the U-shaped drive is a small rectangular outbuilding (DAR.709). The outbuilding is not visible from the road. It is possibly an icehouse or detached milk house. To the west of the outbuilding is a rectangular enclosure or pen. Three sides of the pen are enclosed by stone walls. The fourth side, the south side, is enclosed by a wood rail fence.

The one-story horse barn (DAR.703) is located to the west of the dwelling at the end of the U-shaped drive. The side gable roof is sheathed in metal and the walls are clad in wood siding. The barn is attached to a small front gable addition to the south. A pair of sliding wood doors on the south elevation of the addition provides access to the barn interior. The small addition is connected to a four by one bay saltbox-shaped outbuilding with a central chimney projecting from the ridge of the metal clad roof. Two addition narrow shed additions are connected to the main barn form on the north and east elevations. Immediately to the south of the barn is a concrete manure storage pit.

A run-in shed (DAR.708) is located in one of the four paddocks to the south of the barn. The two bay building has a shed roof sheathed in metal and wood siding.

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A gravel drive leads to a four-bay garage (DAR.707) north of the main barn. The 24'x48' garage was built in 1991. The garage is not visible from the Barney's Joy Road. The one-and-a-half-story building is rectangular in form. The side gable roof has two full width dormers on the east and west elevations. Windows in the west dormer are centered above each of the four overhead garage doors below.

North of the barn is a rectangular riding arena encircled by a fence. On the north side of the ring is a one-story judges stand with a shed roof. To the south of the ring is a shed roof viewing stand. To the east of the arena is a round exercise ring also encircle with a fence. Neither the arena nor the exercise ring is visible from the road.

To the east of the garage is a clay tennis court. The tennis court is not visible from the road.

East of the tennis court is small side gable garden shed (DAR.706). The shed is located in the southeast corner of a very small irregularly shaped pasture demarcated by stone walls. The shed is partially visible from the road through the dense vegetation.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Explain historical development of the area. Discuss how this relates to the historical development of the community.

Ralph Allen of Sandwich MA was a Quaker. He was driven from the Sandwich because of his religion and settled c1633 in Dartmouth. His farm on Barney's Joy Road has been known as Barney's Joy Farm, Allen Farm, and Peak Rock Farm. It was owned for many years by his descendants. The house is across from a local landmark called Peak Rock. The rock is marked with the date 1664. In 1871 the farm was owned by GF Allen, probably Giles F Allen (1824-1901) whom married Mary Slocum. "In the early eighteenth century, this land belonged to the Slocum family. By circa 1800, the land passed [back] to the Allen family, who referred to it as the Old Slocum Homestead. The deeds to the house and property include some interesting rights: sea weed and drift privileges were reserved, and George Slocum and Gideon Smith (neighbors) had the right to take sand from the property." (Ken Weinstein & K Fair, Dartmouth Historical Commission, 1983)

By 1895 the house was owned by Henry T Allen (1862-1924) the husband of Elizabeth.

Subsequent owners include: Emily N Vanderpool (1906-1940); Floyd L Vanderpool (1940); Margaret Downs (1940-1958); Angelica Russell & Katharine Lloyd (1958-1966); Frank & Earlene Babbitt Jr (1966-1974); Harry & Kathleen VanErtfelda (1974-2006) Kathy Von Ertfelda was a classical dressage trainer; and Harry E VonErtfelda Jr (2006-2010).

In 1955 the farm was known as Peak Rock Farm and was operated as a poultry farm by Virgil N Downs.

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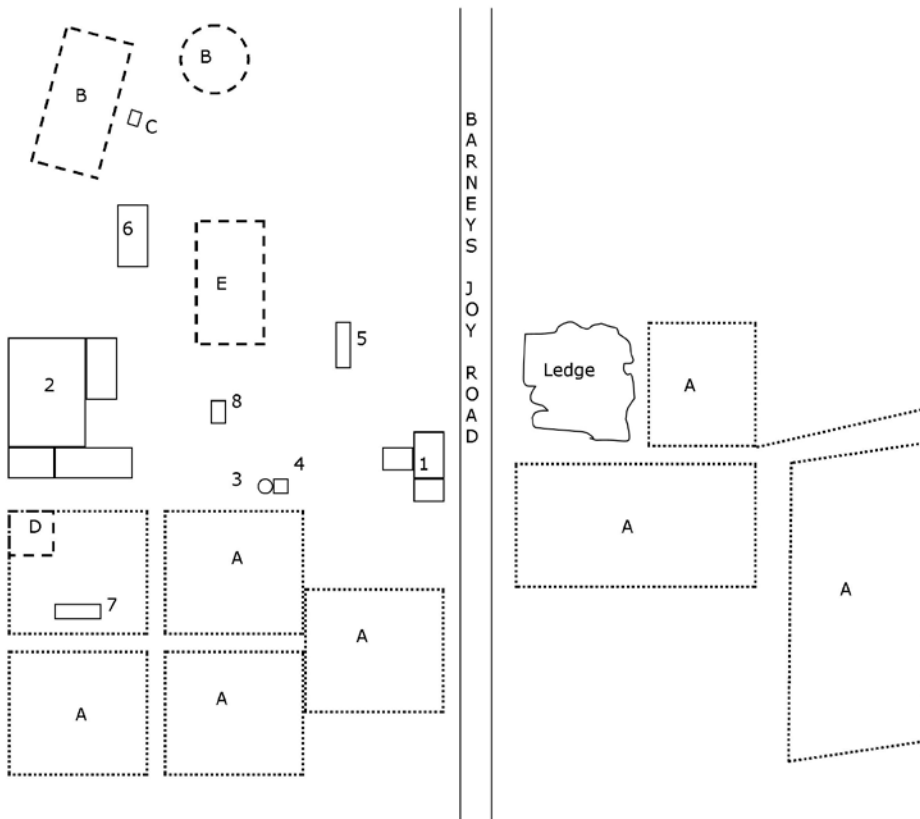
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Form A Data Sheet
Barney's Joy Farm Area K
Dartmouth, MA

Key	MHC No.	Assess. No.	Resource	Street Address	Date
1	DAR.38	10 02	House	156 Barney's Joy Rd	c1800
2	DAR.703	10 02	Barn	156 Barney's Joy Rd	late 20 th cen
3	DAR.704	10 02	Windmill	156 Barney's Joy Rd	Early 20 th cen
4	DAR.705	10 02	Well House	156 Barney's Joy Rd	Early 20 th cen
5	DAR.706	10 02	Garden Shed	156 Barney's Joy Rd	late 20 th cen
6	DAR.707	10 02	Garage	156 Barney's Joy Rd	1991
7	DAR.708	10 02	Run-In-Shed	156 Barney's Joy Rd	late 20 th cen
8	DAR.709	10 02	Outbuilding	156 Barney's Joy Rd	late 20 th cen

- A Paddock
- B Riding Ring
- C Judges Box
- D Manure Storage
- E Tennis Court



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Horse Barn

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Run In Shelter



Outbuilding, Windmill, & Well House

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Garden Shed



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National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form

Check all that apply:

- Individually eligible Eligible **only** in a historic district
 Contributing to a potential historic district Potential historic district

Criteria: **A** **B** **C** **D**

Criteria Considerations: **A** **B** **C** **D** **E** **F** **G**

Statement of Significance by Julie Ann Larry, ttl-architects

The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.

The dwelling and outbuildings at 156 Barney's Joy Road would be individually eligible for listing in the NRHP. The farm buildings meet the criteria for listing in the National Register as an example of early nineteenth century dwelling and associated agricultural outbuildings from the early and late 20th century. The farm possesses integrity of location, feeling, design, setting, materials, and workmanship. In addition, the farm is associated with the settlement of Quakers in Dartmouth in the 17th century. The farm meets Criteria C: Architecture/Engineering as an example of Federal Era residential architecture and Criteria A: for its association with the Quaker settlement of South Dartmouth in the 1600s.