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Newtown Historic Association will sponsor its 37th Annual Market Day on Saturday, October 5th (rain date Sunday, October 6th) from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Market Day, the Newtown Historic Association's 37th annual colonial craft and art fair will be held on Saturday, October 5th rain date Sunday October 6th At the Half Moon Inn – Court Street and Centre Avenue, Newtown.

For over three decades the Newtown Historic Association has had Market Day. This custom revives an old harvest season tradition in Newtown, where long ago, local farmers brought their crops to town to sell and enjoy a day of festivities and contests that culminated with a horse race down State Street.

There are over **50 crafters, demonstrators and artists coming with a wide variety of interesting crafts**, from spinning, quilting, rug braiding, jewelry, fine arts, photography and woodcarving.

The **First Crossing Volunteers** - a colonial militia revolutionary war encampment will camp out in the backyard of the Half Moon (Court Inn). We will be having **candle dipping**, **children's colonial games** and **children's crafts in the historic Boone Garden**.

There will be a puppet show at 11:00 am and 2 pm – also Corn Husking contest at 1pm and "Cake Walk" contest at 1:30 pm. Come and "make a Scarecrow" at 2:30 and win a prize.

Captain Billy be performing a selection of music, including traditional music of the Colonial Era will entertain from 11:00 AM and also 2:30. The "**Out of Tuners**" and the "**Full Moon Musicians**" will also entertain.

"A Better Way Farm" will be there with their team of Belgian draft horses and their wagon to give everyone horse drawn hayrides. Our ever successful Festival of Foods will feature local Newtown restaurants – among them - Isaac Newton's, McCaffrey's Markets, & the Black Horse Tavern offering delicious luncheon treats. The special kettle corn vendor "Best Darn Kettle Korn" will be here along with Open Hearth Cooking by Mercy Ingraham who uses only old methods of cooking and colonial recipes.

The raffle this year will be a \$400 gift certificate to use toward a weekend at the historic "Queen Victoria Bed and Breakfast Inn", Cape May, New Jersey. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

So come out and enjoy **Market Day** with all your friends and neighbors.