



Oscar Henricksen House, 241 New Rye Road, Epsom, NH

Joseph Chapman married Sarah Maria Davis in 1845, and bought a three acre lot across from the New Rye School house from Joseph S. Dolbeer in 1846, building a house and there raising his family. He died in 1891, and his widow sold the property to Ellery C. Straw in 1896. Joseph sold a piece of the property bordering Swamp Road to Hiram Haynes in 1851 where Haynes built a house.

Ellery C. Straw lived on this property until his death in 1934 when his heirs sold it to Ernest F. Clark, and it was quickly resold in 1936 to the Henricksen family who resided there until 1968.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

1732, Lot 76, original right of Solomon Dowst; 1770, Dowst Rand from Solomon Dowst, 60 acres, my original right; 1798, Bickford Lang Jr. from Dowst Rand, original right 60 acres where Dowst Rand now resides; 1807, John Dolbeer from Bickford Lang, part of the lots of land numbered 76 and 77, to contain 17 acres more or less; 1819, Sally Dolbeer, wife of John Dolbeer, by will, to go to children upon her death; 1825, By will on death of Sally Dolbeer, wife of John Dolbeer, both deceased, to children who choose to reside on the property, which Joseph S. does; 1846, Joseph Chapman from Joseph S. Dolbeer, 3 acres, beginning at the northwest corner of my land on the Swamp Road so called, and is bounded east by land of John S. Haynes to the cross wall at the corner of my field running by said cross wall to the New Rye Road thence by said New Rye Road to said Swamp road by said Swamp road to the bounds first mentioned; 1896, Ellery C. Straw from Sarah M. Chapman, widow of Joseph Chapman, and Ella C. Upton; 1935, Ernest F. Clark of Epsom from John C. Straw, Richard Straw, Lucina Emerson and Oscar W. Straw, Joseph A. Cochrane widower and sole heir of Leola M. Cochrane, all heirs of Ellery C. Straw, land including tract 1, one acre more or less with buildings bounded westerly by New Rye Road, northerly by land of heirs of Hiram B. Haynes, easterly by land of heirs of Henry D. Haynes and southerly by land of John H. Dolbeer with additional tract of 17 acres of pasture, and more, tracts deeded to Ellery C. Straw; 1936, Oscar A.J. Henricksen and Grace M. Henricksen of New Jersey from Ernest F. Clark, single man of Epsom; 1955, Oscar A.J. Henricksen and Joan E. Henricksen from Oscar A.J. Henricksen, grantor, the survivor of himself and the said Grace M. Henricksen, deceased; 1968, Ralph Berry and Alberta F. Yeaton Berry of Gossville from Oscar A.J. Henricksen, single of Epsom, 2 tracts; 1977, Robert Paris and Delores Paris from Ralph and Alberta Yeaton Berry; 1980, Gregory R. & Judith E. Trotter of Pittsfield from Robert M and Delores Paris of Epsom, 2 tracts; 1987, Duane L. and Eric F. Keeler as joint tenants from Gregory R. and Judith E. Trotter, 2 tracts; 1990, Eric F. Keeler

from Duane L. Keeler, quitclaim; 1995, Norma M. Keeler Family Trust from Eric F. Keeler, Sandra M Keeler releases homestead rights *and* Norma M. Keeler from Norma M. Keeler Family Trust; 1996, Eric F. Keeler and Sandra M. Keeler from Norma M. Keeler , married of North Fort Myers, Florida; 1997, Patrick Neal Burns from Eric F. and Sandra M. Keeler.

GENEALOGY: Joseph Chapman was the son of Samuel T. Champan and his wife Deborah Dow. He married in 1845, Sally Maria Davis, daughter of Amos Davis and Nancy Libbey. Joseph and Sally had for children: Charles, who probably died young; Clara Etta who married Benjamin R. Fife; Annie M. who married Frank H. Upton and had daughter Ella E. Upton; Lewis Carroll and Willie of whom nothing more is known.

James S. Straw married Mary Ellen Wells, daughter of Samuel Wells and Mary Locke, in 1863 and had the following children: Ellery C. who married Maggie Bernard, no children; Leola Mary who married Joseph Cochrane; Lucinda S. who married George Emerson; Edson A.; and Oscar Wells Straw who married Agnes McPherson and had sons John C. and Richard.

