



49A OLD FIELD ROAD | *The Beach House*

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RESIDENT : **Robyn Corsello**

SPONSORS : **Patty & Scott Cain**

Newmark Custom Homes, Inc.

HOUSE CHAIRS : **Patty Cain**

DECORATOR : **Nancy Munch, Open House Country
Flowers & Interiors**

CUISINE : **Dessert & cider courtesy of Patty Cain**

As you start your stroll to the beach cottage, the small building on your left was a pool house cabana, constructed in 1988, by former owners Albert and Otilie Mead. It overlooked a swimming pool, which is no longer here. Feel free to peek in the door. The Mead family researched the beach cottage, and found it was a c. 1790 structure in Massachusetts that was dismantled, put on a barge, and brought across Long Island Sound, probably in the early 1930s. Once here, it was placed on an existing foundation, and used as a boathouse. In 1969, the kitchen and bath were added along with electricity, water and a heating system. The stone foundation and chimney may be from an original building on the site, long ago lost to fire.

The *Beach House* is now a cozy, seaside cottage with the most amazing view across Conscience Bay.



49 OLD FIELD ROAD | *Echo Farm*

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HOMEOWNER : **Dr. Maureen Mitchell**

SPONSORS : **Shea & Sanders Real Estate**

Jos. M. Troffa Materials Corporation

BNF Contractors, Inc.

HOUSE CHAIRS : **Patty Cain**

DECORATOR : **Nancy Munch, Open House Country
Flowers & Interiors**

CUISINE : **Mario's Italian Restaurant**

WINE : **Mora's Fine Wine & Spirits**

Echo Farm was the name given by a previous homeowner in 1963, who found many mementos from the past as they updated the home. Its former name was *Barleyhill*. The house, according to tradition, is actually two homes joined together. To the right of the front door is the oldest part, c. 1827. The front door has a beautiful pediment, fanlight, and sidelights. Note the old doorbell remains. Stepping inside, you are in the c. 1861 home, which was attached to the earlier home. Decorator Nancy Munch has chosen a theme of "Nantucket Christmas" in keeping with this historic property overlooking Conscience Bay.

As you enter the music room, take special note of the molding in this room, as the custom was to have the best molding in the room in which you entertained guests. The family room was once a porch and enclosed in 1915. The dining room mantelpiece is especially noteworthy for its three-masted schooner on the front. There is an early history of ship captains in the Edwards Family, owners from 1827 to 1880. As you enter the living room, you are back in the earliest section of the house. The fireplace and cupboard are noteworthy architectural elements, but added during a later remodeling. Electricity was installed in this room in 1963. History from former homeowners tell us the present kitchen was originally a stable at the back of the house. Today it houses a beautifully updated kitchen, and breakfast area that overlooks the grounds.

Don't forget to walk from the kitchen to *The Beach House* on Conscience Bay.