

June 2005

Crows Creek Market

Last June was the opening of **Crows Creek Market** and for a first year the turnout was phenomenal! Kevin built a 40'x120' open building and worked up an 1 1/2 acre plot for the vegetables. Shannon planted everything from spinach to flowers and sold all of the farm produce at the market.

"I really enjoyed selling our own products at the market", says Shannon. "It was good to be able to answer questions from the consumer. I think is important for them to know where their food is coming from. People are more concerned about healthy eating these days and our organically raised produce gives them peace of mind."

The beef that Kevin and Shannon sell at the market is grass fed; meaning is it higher in Omega 3 fatty acids and much leaner than beef that is grain fed. The result - a healthier choice for a smaller price, because there is no middle man involved. The beef is available by the 1/2, 1/4, or individual cuts.

There was a real variety of vendors at the market last summer. "The vendors

were great. They were out in all kinds of weather and they really supported the market. They are what made the market such a success!" says Shannon. This summer there will be some new vendors along with the regulars from last year. There will be vegetables, beef, eggs, crafts, herbs, flowers, home baking, maple syrup, perennial plants, fruit, fish, apples, preserves, meat pies, pork, lamb, summer sausage, free trade coffee, spices, candles and much more.

The Crows Creek Market is still accepting new vendors. Call Shannon at 534-5032 to get an application or for any questions.

The market will be open Friday mornings 8 a.m. until noon beginning June 24th and running until September 2nd. The open house market will be similar to last years. It is the first Friday after the kids are out of school for the summer (July 1st). There will be free pony rides, face painting, and a bounce house, live entertainment by Dave Nixon, prizes and lots of fun! Also for the vendors there will be no vendor fees for that day.



Above: Customers and browsers enjoy the wonderful indoor/outdoor farmer's market at Crows Creek