

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

See attached map

UTM REFERENCE 19.314390.4690370

USGS QUADRANGLE Natick, Mass.

SCALE 1:25,000

AREA

FORM NO.

59

4255

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.

Town Newton (Auburndale)

Address 473 Auburn St

Historic Name Whittemore's Tavern/
Bourne House

Use: Present dwelling (vacant)

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date c.1724

Source Jackson Homestead Public.

Style vernacular Georgian

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) porch

added to west elevation-20th c.

Condition fair

Moved no Date

Acreage less than one acre

Setting suburban residential-over-
looking Mass. Turnpike

Recorded by B. Fernald, rev. H. White

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

Date 2/1/80 ; 3/86

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Bourne House meets Criterion A as a structure built by one of the area's first white settlers. During the Revolution it operated as tavern briefly. Criterion C is also met as the Bourne House is one of the village's few surviving 18th century structures.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

The Bourne House exhibits several characteristic features of vernacular farmhouses of the pre-Revolutionary era. It is sited facing south, to maximize the advantage of the winter sun. A 2- $\frac{1}{2}$ story, rectangular plan structure, it has two wings on the north elevation. The main block of the house follows the two-room, central hall plan. A pair of interior chimneys service the main block and north wings.

The asymmetrical window placement of the main facade suggests that the house may have been originally built as a half-house, which was later expanded into a two-room plan.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

The Bourne House or Whittemore's Tavern is one of Very few remaining 18th century structures in Auburndale. It was probably built c.1724 by William Robinson II, son of one of the area's original settlers.

During the 1760s a tavern operated from the house, which fronts on Auburn Street which had been laid out in 1729.

During the 19th century, William Bourne and his family owned the house. Bourne, a farmer, realized the increased value of his acreage, during Auburndale's early period of suburbanization, and he and his brother Benjamin laid out several nearby streets (Woodbine St, Woodbine Terr, and Bourne St) and sold off parcels as houselots.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Atlases: 1874, 1886, 1895, 1907

Friends of the Jackson Homestead, Newton's Older Homes: Auburndale 1971, n.p.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

121. Whittemore's Tavern--
Bourne House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Shelene Byers 9/4/86

Attest

122. Working Boys Home

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National Register

for Keeper

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123.

123. Brae-Burn Historic District

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Shelene Byers 2/16/90

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124. Commonwealth Avenue Historic District

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125. Day Estate Historic District

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126. Gray Cliff Historic District
(Boundary Increase)

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127. Monadnock Road Historic District

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128. Morton Road Historic District

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* 129. Newton Highlands Historic District
(Boundary Increase)

for Keeper

Bobby L. Savage 02/16/90

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* 130. Newtonville Historic District
(Boundary Increase)

~~Shelene Byers~~ Review

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Whittemore's Tavern--Bourne House (Newton
MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Entered in the
National Register

Working No. _____
Fed. Reg. Date: JUL 23 1986
Date Due: 8/21/86 - 9/6/86
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 9-4-86
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ excellent | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

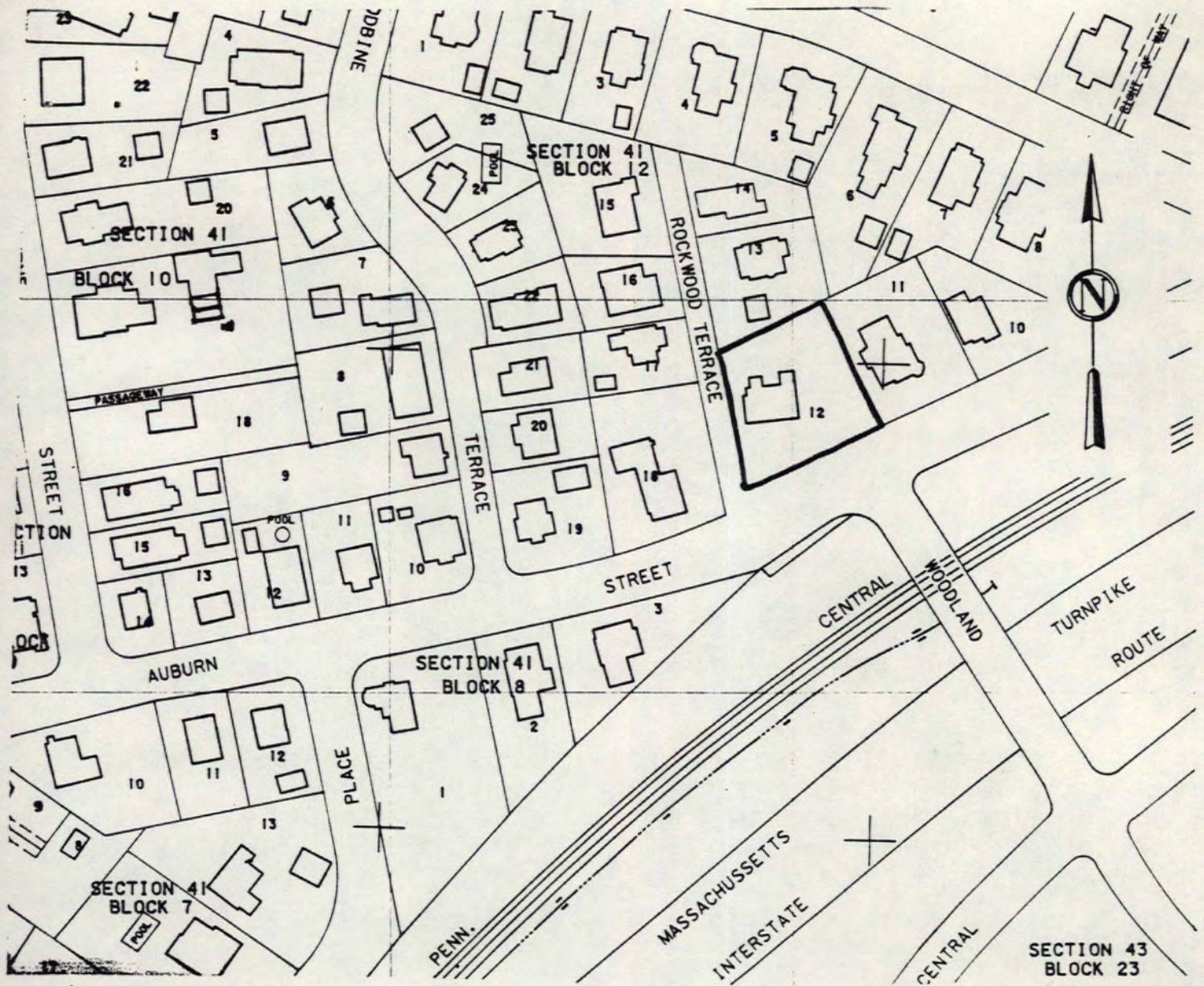
Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Whittencore's Tavern-- Burne House

Newton, Mass. MRA

- 473 Auburn St, Auburndale
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City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet **38**
 Metric Series. 1979
 Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

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