

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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RECEIVED APR 5 1976
DATE ENTERED APR 30 1976NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Dillingham House

AND/OR COMMON
same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 6A

CITY, TOWN

Brewster

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

12

STATE

Massachusetts

CODE

025

COUNTY

Barnstable

CODE

001

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED (summer)
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
☐ ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE
☐ COMMERCIAL
☐ EDUCATIONAL
☐ ENTERTAINMENT
☐ GOVERNMENT
☐ INDUSTRIAL
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSEUM
☐ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Mrs. Carl F. Ahlstrom

STREET & NUMBER

Heathcote Road

CITY, TOWN

Norwalk

VICINITY OF

STATE

Connecticut 06851

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Barnstable County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Route 6A

CITY, TOWN

Barnstable

STATE

Massachusetts

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE

1973

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Massachusetts Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts 02108

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dillingham House is set back about twenty feet from Route 6A, and the facade, which faces south, is protected from the road by a thick privet hedge. The rear elevation of the house looks out over open land, recently cleared of pine trees, across marshland and Quivit Creek to Cape Cod Bay. The house is set on fairly high land, and can be seen from the Bay. The surrounding land is rural in character with a few eighteenth and nineteenth century buildings interspersed with twentieth century development.

The house is said to have been constructed by 1660. This date is based on local tradition, a deed for the land still in the possession of the Dillinghams, and most importantly, the existence of that date burned into one of the attic rafters. The exterior of the house has been very little altered, the major changes occurring when the house was restored in 1915-18. As originally constructed the house was a full saltbox, with two rooms on either side of the front hall on the first floor and a keeping room extending the length of the house behind, and two rooms on the second floor, with a small attic space under the leanto roof. In 1915 the house was restored and enlarged. A shed dormer was added to the rear of the house to provide room for two more bedrooms and a bathroom on the second floor; an enclosed sleeping porch, west of the dormer, was also added.

The house, resting on a stone foundation, is shingled, with a regular five bay facade and a large central chimney. The first floor windows on the front have 12/12 sash and molded cornices; those on the second floor have 12/8 sash and plain lintels. The six-paneled front door, later than its surround, is flanked by slender fluted pilasters and surmounted by a five light transom and a steeply pitched triangular pediment. The east elevation, with a saltbox profile sloping from the attic to below the level of the first floor ceiling, has seven windows, with sash ranging from 15/15 to 4/4. The saltbox profile of the west elevation is not as long as the profile of the east elevation, and a one-story enclosed porch projects west from the north end of the west elevation.

The interior of the house is striking. The paneling and fireplaces in the two front rooms on the first floor, most likely added in the eighteenth century, remain intact. The summer beam, girts, and corner posts, all visible reminders of the building's early age, were encased and decorated with fine molding when the paneling was added. The floorboards, up to 34 inches wide, are made of pine, and are painted grey. The interior has been modernized so the house has heat, electricity and plumbing, but it retains its early character.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

☐ PREHISTORIC
☐ 1400-1499
☐ 1500-1599
☒ 1600-1699
☐ 1700-1799
☐ 1800-1899
☐ 1900-

☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
☐ AGRICULTURE
☒ ARCHITECTURE
☐ ART
☐ COMMERCE
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING
☐ CONSERVATION
☐ ECONOMICS
☐ EDUCATION
☐ ENGINEERING
☒ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
☐ INDUSTRY
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
☐ LAW
☐ LITERATURE
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSIC
☐ PHILOSOPHY
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION
☐ SCIENCE
☐ SCULPTURE
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ THEATER
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1660

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Dillingham House, thought to be the second oldest house on Cape Cod, is significant both architecturally and historically. It has been in continuous family ownership from the time it was built to the present, except for a forty year period from 1875 to 1915, and is important locally for its associations with the Dillingham family.

The property on which the house stands was acquired by John Dillingham in 1657, and the present house was probably constructed by 1660. John Dillingham, who lived to be 85, was a leading citizen in Brewster (then called North Harwich) and a Lieutenant in the militia. A family legend, also noted in many histories of the Cape, states that when a pirate ship was sighted off the Bay, John took quick action to defend the settlement. He gathered his neighbors to his house and led them marching around the building, firing their guns, beating drums, and shouting. The pirates, who could clearly see the house and the gathered militia from the ship, were frightened off and did not try to land.

The Dillingham family produced a number of famous clipper ship captains, who contributed to the wealth and cultural life of Brewster. John Dillingham, James Sullivan Dillingham and John Dillingham III all took their ships around the world, visiting exotic ports and brought back goods to New England. The house was occupied by Dillingham sea captains until 1875 when the property was bought by the Black family. In 1915 I. S. Dillingham again acquired the property, and had the house restored under the direction of Emery Stratton. The restoration was carefully documented, and the original windows, doors, fireplaces, stairway, paneling floors, and other major architectural features were carefully preserved.

The house is still owned by the Dillingham family, and used by them as a summer home. The architectural integrity of the building is intact, and the house stands as a pleasant reminder of Cape Cod as it looked in the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Clark, Arthur, The Clipper Ship Era
Kittridge, H.C. Cape Cod - Its People and History
Kittridge, H.C. Shipmasters of Cape Cod

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY c. 2 acres

UTM REFERENCES

A 19 406440 4622320
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Christine Boulding, Preservation Planner, and Marion H. Wylie

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Massachusetts Historical Commission

March, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

294 Washington Street

617-727-8470

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Boston

Massachusetts 02108

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Elizabeth Reed Armon

TITLE

Executive Director, Mass. Historical Commission

DATE

3/26/76

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

Levy L. Rogers
Charles A. Henry

DATE

4/30/96

DATE

4.30.76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Property Dillingham House

State Massachusetts Working Number 4.5.76.2957

Barnstable

TECHNICAL

Photos 1
Maps 1

Costing incorrect

CONTROL

*cm
4.6.76*

Acceptable justification for historical and architectural significance. More photos might help the appearance of rear exterior.

HISTORIAN

*Accept
Rittenbaum
4/16/76*

I am doubtful of date, but the nomination does not hang on 17th c date. And adequate documentation in family concerning restoration.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

*Accept
Lebowich
4.13.76*

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____
Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

*Accept
Cole
4.20.76*

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

*Hunt
4.30.76*

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 6-1-76

Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

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Dillingham House, Brewster, MA
R.S. MacKenzie, 1975
Barnstable County
Brewster Historical Commission
looking west at south facade and east
elevation
photo #1 of 1

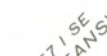
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PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

PHOTOGRAPH

MACKENZIE



MASS

QUADRANGLE LOCATION

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THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



Town of Brewster

Brewster, Massachusetts

THE BREWSTER HISTORICAL COMMISSION

OFFICE OF:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

November 11, 1975

Ms. Patricia L. Weslowski
Survey Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission
Boston, Mass.

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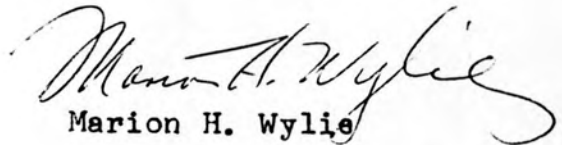
Dear Ms. Weslowski:

Enclosed you will find a completed application for National Register submission of the Dillingham House on Old King's Highway, (Route 6A) in Brewster. The owners of the property, the Ahlstroms, have done all the research themselves, and are most anxious that we apply for the National Register listing. As Chairman of the Brewster Historical Commission I heartily concur with their efforts and hope that they will be successful.

As a matter of fact, I do believe that the Dillingham House is the last existing saltbox as one travels east on the Lower Cape towards Provincetown. Apparently none were built beyond that point, which is interesting. That it is the oldest house in Brewster and one of the oldest left on the Cape is fairly certain. The house had a twin along side of it but was bought and moved to Barnstable where it stands today. The Brewster House is on its original site, near its own family cemetery, on a very graceful turn in the road, shaded by old trees. Interestingly, the 18th century windmill which is now on the Register, is only a few hundred feet, perhaps, to the East of the Dillingham House. It is a lovely part of town which we wish to protect of course in every possible way. The road, Route 6A, comes along very close to the Dillingham house as you can see on the enclosed map, so its quite important I think to have it listed on the Register to protect it.

We have included as much material as we could locate for the present, but if additional pictures are required, or further details, we would be most grateful to you if you would let us know exactly what is missing that is necessary to complete the application. John Ahlstrom who lives in Delaware and comes to the Cape only seldom, has kept in touch and I can reach him for further help. Thank you very much indeed for your help and interest.

Most sincerely yours,


Marion H. Wylie

Box 571, Brewster, Mass.

02631





PAUL GUZZI

*Secretary of the
Commonwealth*

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Office of the Secretary
Massachusetts Historical Commission
294 Washington Street Boston, Massachusetts 02108
(617) 727-8470

March 29, 1976

Mr. Charles Herrington
Chief, Registration
National Register
National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Charles:

Enclosed please find four nomination forms for the following properties:

1. Brewster, Dillingham House
2. Cohasset, Caleb Lothrop House
3. Wellesley, Eaton Moulton Mill
4. Wellesley, Wellesley Town Hall

Also enclosed with the Brewster nomination is a letter from the Brewster Historical Commission containing comments on the significance of the Dillingham House.

These four properties have been voted eligible by the Massachusetts Historical Commission (State Review Board) and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer, Elizabeth R. Amadon.

Sincerely yours,

Pat

Patricia L. Weslowski
Survey Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

PLW/mw
Enclosures

April 13, 1976

11:30 AM

TELEPHONE REPORT

1. CALL ☒ TO: ☐ FROM (Name)

Chris Boulding

2. ADDRESS (Tel. No. if needed)

Ma. SHPO Office

3. SUBJECT, PROJECT NO., ETC.

Dillingham House

4. DETAILS OF DISCUSSION

pre - Restoration photos show front to
have been unchanged by Restoration

NAME OF PERSON PLACING/RECEIVING CALL

Lebovich

TITLE

OFFICE

NR

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered APR 30 1976

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Peirce, Peter, Store	Middleborough Plymouth County
Belcher, Jonathan, House	Randolph Norfolk County
Fernald, George P., House	Medford Middlesex County
Albree-Hall-Lawrence, House	Medford Middlesex County
Smith Alumnae Gymnasium	Northampton Hampshire County
Putnam, General Israel, House	Danvers Essex County
Dillingham House	Brewster vicinity Barnstable County
Wellesley Town Hall	Wellesley Norfolk County

Also Notified

Hon. Edward M. Kennedy
 Hon. Edward W. Brooke
 Hon. Margaret M. Heckler
 Hon. James A. Burke
 Hon. Torbert H. MacDonald
 Hon. Silvio O. Conte
 Hon. Michael J. Harrington
 Hon. Gerry E. Studds

State Historic Preservation Officer
 Mrs. Elizabeth R. Amadon
 Executive Director, Massachusetts
 Historical Commission
 294 Washington Street
 Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Regional Director, North Atlantic Region

5/4/76

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England
Newspaper

Brewster's Dillingham House named to national register



The Dillingham House on Route 6A, Brewster, built circa 1660, has been named to the National Register of Historic Places. Note the triangular pediment over the door, the small panes in the windows, the central chimney, and the saltbox silhouette to the rear. Ignore the telephone pole and the antenna. Photo by Ralph S. MacKenzie.

The Dillingham House on Route 6A in Brewster was named to the National Register of Historic Places last month by the National Park Service.

Marion Wylie, chairman of the Brewster Historical Commission, received word of the listing from Secretary of State Paul Guzzi, through the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

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Dillingham House has not been altered significantly, Wylie said.

"As originally constructed, the house was a full saltbox, with two rooms on either side of the front hall on the first floor and a keeping room extending the length of the house behind, and two rooms on the second floor, with a small attic space under the lean-to roof," states the form.

The house bears the name of the Dillingham family whose descendant, Mrs. Carl Ahlstrom of Connecticut, still owns the home and its two acres of land. The house is not open to the public.

structed the house by 1660, the form states.

A family legend, also noted in many Cape histories, states that when a pirate ship was sighted off the Bay, John, a Lieutenant in the militia, gathered his neighbors to his house and led them marching around the building, firing their guns, beating drums, and shouting. The pirates, after viewing what appeared to be a long column of the militia were frightened off and did not try to land.

The house was occupied by Dillingham sea captains until 1875 when the property was bought by the Black family. In

ation was carefully documented and the original windows, doors, fireplaces, stairway, paneling, floors and other architectural features were carefully preserved.

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JUN 3 1973

Dillingham House Now In Nat'l Register

Dillingham House, Route 6-A in Brewster, nominated for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places by the Massachusetts Historical Commission has been accepted, State Secretary Paul Guzzi, chairman of the commission, has been informed by Gary Everhardt, Director of the National Park Service in the U S Department of the Interior.

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Register accepts Dillingham House

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NR Data Sheet

DATE: 4/16/76
Reviewer: INITIALS: SRR

NR DOE

(4-30-76)

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: Dillingham House

OTHER NAMES:

LOCATION:

STREET & NUMBER W of Brewster on MA 6A

CITY, TOWN

STATE MA

VICINITY OF Brewster

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 12

COUNTY Barnstable code 001

OWNER OF PROPERTY: (Circle) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline)

FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME):

NPS REGION: (CIRCLE) N. ATLANTIC MID ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST MIDWEST

SOUTHWEST ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST PACIFIC NORTHWEST

FEATURES:

INTERIOR EXTERIOR ENVIRONS
☒ Substantially intact-1 ☒ Substantially intact-2 ☒ Substantially intact-3
☐ unknown - 4 ☐ unknown - 5 ☐ unknown - 6
☐ not applicable - 7 ☐ not applicable - 8 ☐ Not applicable-9

Interior, exterior, environs not intact-0

CONDITION - ☒ EXCELLENT ☐ DETERIORATED ☐ UNALTERED ☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ GOOD ☐ RUINS ☒ ALTERED ☐ MOVED
☐ FAIR ☐ UNEXPOSED ☐ Reconstructed ☐ Unknown
☐ Unexcavated ☐ Excavated

ACCESS - Yes-restricted Yes-unrestricted No access Unknown

historic district? YES NO

WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES NO
 IF YES, NAME:

WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES NO
 IF YES, NAME:

ADAPTIVE USE: YES NO Saved? YES NO

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)

then- House

now- House

SIGNIFICANCE:

4
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC ☐ CONSERVATION ☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE ☐ RELIGION ☐ entertainment
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC ☐ ECONOMICS ☐ LAW/Gov't/politics ☐ SCIENCE ☐ health
☒ AGRICULTURE ☐ EDUCATION ☐ LITERATURE ☐ MILITARY ☒ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN ☒ recreation
☐ ARCHITECTURE ☐ ENGINEERING ☐ MUSIC ☐ PHILOSOPHY ☐ TRANSPORTATION ☒ settlement
☐ ART ☐ EXPLORATION ☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT ☐ OTHER (SPECIFY) ☐ socio/cultural
☐ COMMERCE ☐ INDUSTRY ☐ INVENTION ☐ urban & commun
☐ COMMUNICATIONS ☐ planning

Claims

"first" YES NO "oldest" YES NO "only" YES NO

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: *Salisbury*

architect/m.builder:

engineer:

landscape/garden designer:

artist/artisan:

interior decorator:

builder/contractor:

ETHNIC GROUP:

NAMES:

(label role

&

appropriate date)

personal *John Dillingham, one of earliest settlers*
of Cape Cod
events

institutional

DATES:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century): *1660(?)*

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS: *1915-18*

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S):

SOURCE:

(OF NOMINATION)

PRIVATE

STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE:

(to nearest tenth of an acre) *2*

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here)

Two story frame, shingle, stone foundation, rectangle, gable with integral lean-to, central stuccoed brick chimney, 5 bays wide, Georgian architraves on front facade, 1915 dormer + sleeping porch in rear.

Frame, shingle, 2 1/2 stories, rectangular, gabled roof with rear lean-to, central stuccoed brick chimney, front center entrance with transom and pediment; rear dormer + sleeping porch added, 1915. ~~Small~~ example of early

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences)

Significant for family association (a family of famous clipper ship captains) + one of the earliest houses on Cape Cod.

area dwelling; reputedly the second or 2nd oldest house on Cape Cod; built by John Dillingham, leading Brewster citizen and clipper ship captain.