

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT

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TOWN: Kingston	COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 8*	UTM: Z 19/E 332375 /N 4754950
COMMON NAME: Clark House	USGS QUAD: Kingston Quad 7.5 series
HISTORIC NAME: A. G. Clark House	FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Farmhouse
LOCATION: East side of Main St., .22 miles N of the inter. of Main St. & W. Main St.	PRESENT USE: Residential
OWNER: Eunice Clark	ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
ADDRESS: 135 Main Street Kingston, NH.	CONDITION: Exc. <u>Good</u> <u>x</u> Fair <u>Poor</u> <u>Ruins</u>
MAP & PARCEL #: U-9/46	INTEGRITY: Original Site <u>x</u> Moved <u> </u> (When: <u> </u>)
DATE: c. 1810	Major alterations & date: ells added, date unknown; fan work 1982
SOURCE: Assessor's Office, Kingston	LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local <u>x</u>
STYLE: Federal	

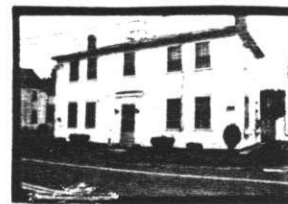
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone x Brick Concrete Concrete Block
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame Post & Beam x Ballon Frame Other
Load Bearing Masonry Stone Brick Concrete Block Other
Metal Iron Steel Other
3. WALL COVERING: Clapboard x Wood Shingle Board & Batten Shiplap Aluminum
Novelty Stucco Stone Brick Sheet Metal Asphalt Shingles Vinyl
Asphalt Sheeting Composite Board Other
4. ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle Asphalt Shingle x Standing Seam Tim Slate
Pressed Metal Sheet Metal Rolled Asphalt Other
5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
6. OTHER:
of Stories 2 # of Bays 5 x Approx. Dimensions 35' x 20'
Roof Style: Gable Hip x Gambrel Flat Shed Mansard Jerkinhead
Monitor Sawtooth Other
Appendages: Porches Towers Dormers Bay Windows Ells 2 Chimneys 2
Wings Cupolas Sheds 1 Garage Other Garage/barn
Entry Location: Center x Sidehall Other

MAP (Indicate North in circle):



PHOTO



Description of View: Front-west
Side-south

Photographer: Scott Novak
Negative with: S.R.R.C.
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Clark House is a 2-story, hip-roofed, twin chimney, Federal style structure. The center entry has a 5-panelled door with one large and is topped by a panelled transom. Flanking the door are pilasters which rise to a full entablature. Most of the windows are twelve-over-twelve or twelve-over-eight framed by architrave trim. The hip-roof is topped by twin, narrow chimneys and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with a narrow, molded frieze. The house rests on a granite block foundation topped by a narrow watertable.

The 2-story, gable-roofed ell has clapboard siding and rests on a brick foundation. The 1-story, flat-roofed ell has clapboard siding and rests on a cement foundation.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A separate 2-story, gable-roofed barn with clapboard siding and a fieldstone foundation is located to the southeast of the main block. It has an attached shed-roofed shed.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .6 acres bounded to the N-Bralen, S-Faucher, E-Clark, W-Main Street.

REFERENCES:

Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews with members, spring 1980
1856 Map
1892 Map¹

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

A fine example of one of the few hip-roofed Federal houses surviving in Kingston. The detailing is more intricate than on other houses, giving a good indication of the high aspiration of its builders. This house is a major contributor to the architectural mix of the Historic District.

The first telephone exchange in Kingston was in the kitchen of this house.

Map Data: 1856: A. G. Clark
1892: W. S. Clark

MAP DATA 1892-W S Clark 1856-A Glark

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open Land ☒ Woodland ☐ Scattered Bldgs ☒ Moderately Built Up ☐
Densely Built Up ☐ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Agricultural ☐
Roadside Strip Development ☐ Other ☐

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