



Colchester Historical Society Winter 2025 Trivia Game

The Questions

Multiple Choice:

- (1) Where was Camp Winnahkee located?
 - (a) On Camp Winnahkee Road at Mills Point
 - (b) At the same location as the former Camp Holy Cross
 - (c) On the shore of Coates Island
 - (d) At the end of Grand View Road

- (2) The site of the Fanny Allen Hospital was originally:
 - (a) The Dew Drop Inn
 - (b) Trolley Station #3
 - (c) A dormitory for St. Michael's College students
 - (d) The Merrill Hotel

- (3) American Legion Post 91 in Colchester celebrated its 25th Anniversary in 2024. In what Vermont town did the Post originate?
 - (a) Winooski
 - (b) Montpelier
 - (c) Milton
 - (d) It's always been in Colchester

- (4) A new book about Ira Allen, one of Colchester's earliest property owners and former Town Clerk, was published in 2024. Who is the author?
 - (a) Ira's great-great granddaughter, Flora Mae Allen
 - (b) J. Kevin Graffagnino, a former history teacher at UVM
 - (c) Angela Grove, Executive Director of the Ethan Allen Homestead
 - (d) Stephen Perkins, Executive Director of the Vermont Historical Society

- (5) Once located on Bay Road, the Malletts Bay Drive-in theater specialized in what type of film genre during the 1970s-80s?
 - (a) Westerns
 - (b) Science Fiction
 - (c) Adult X-rated
 - (d) Disney movies and cartoon features

Fill in the blank:

- (1) Before electric refrigeration, what important product was harvested from Malletts Bay?

- (2) How did Chimney Corners get its name? _____
- (3) An important and popular local event celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2024. What was it?

- (4) How many bedrooms were there in the Colchester Reef Lighthouse? _____
- (5) "Encounter at Buff Ledge" by Walter N. Webb and published in 1994 is a book about

True or False?

- (1) The former Methodist Church site is now the location of the firehouse for the Colchester Center Volunteer Fire Department. True _____ False _____
- (2) WVMT, located in Colchester, is Vermont's oldest radio station. True _____ False _____
- (3) The Malletts Bay Raceway was a well-attended horse-racing entertainment center located near the Sunset Drive-in Theater. True _____ False _____

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4) The Our Lady of Lourdes grotto and healing garden is located near the chapel at Fort Ethan Allen.

True _____ False _____

(5) In 1825, a Native American ceramic vessel was found in Colchester that dates back to 1400-1600 A.D. and was the Robert Fleming Museum's first recorded acquisition. True _____ False _____

Matching (Match the name in the first column with correct information in the second column)

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| 1) Pierre Mallett | (a) Author of the book "Colchester Center
The Evolution of a Village" |
| (2) Sabra Collins Bates | (b) Civil War veteran and member of one of
Colchester's earliest families |
| (3) Herman Malaney | (c) Founder of the "Keystone Class," a bible
study group for male teenagers |
| (4) Kenneth A. Degree | (d) First keeper of the Colchester Reef
Lighthouse |
| (5) William D. Munson | (e) A swashbuckler for whom part of our town
is named |

Thank you for participating in this Colchester History Trivia Game! We hope you enjoyed it and learned about some of Colchester's significant local history.

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