

# Meet A Landowner

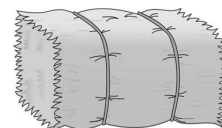
Rich, Debbie, and Kylee Julian are farmers and forest landowners in Warren, MA



Rich and Debbie are high school sweethearts from the Sturbridge Area who have built their dream home in Warren.



Deer Meadow Farm has **66 acres** of land in the Chapter 61/61A program. The Julian family sells the hay from their fields and manages their woodlands.



Rich and Debbie have worked with the NCRS to **remove invasive species** such as oriental bittersweet and multiflora rose from their sugar bush and to **improve wildlife habitat** on their land.

**10 cords**

of firewood from the woods are used each year to heat the home and fuel the sugar shack.



Deer Meadow Farm is a certified Tree Farm and meets high standards of forest management for timber, wildlife, water, and recreation.

**28**

of their sugar maple trees produce **11** gallons of maple syrup each year.

Rich hosts “the game of logging” safety course in his woods. He is also a 2016 graduate of Harvard Forest’s **Keystone Program** and plans to host many walks in his woodlands.

# Recreation...

**Rich** works as a mechanical engineer and spends as much time as possible in the woods. He is always making improvements to the farm and woodlot and is currently constructing a new sugar shack made from timbers milled from their trees. He has not conducted a timber harvest from the woods yet, but may do so to help pay for Kylee's college tuition. Rich enjoys hunting in his woods and in Maine.



**Debbie** works as a secretary and also manages the farm with Rich. She is a talented photographer with pictures accepted into Mass Wildlife publications. She enjoys watching the bobcats, deer, and other animals that visit the farm and keeps several birdfeeders near the house.

Photos by  
Debra Julian.

**Kylee** loves to explore the woods with the two family dogs, Blue and Bo. She also runs cross country for Quaboag Regional High School.