



MASSACHUSETTS BEACH BUGGY ASSOCIATION, INC.



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MBBA NEWSLETTER FOR JULY/AUGUST 2016

Vice Presidents Report

I want to thank everyone who attended this year's 2016 spring meet. We had an excellent attendance compared to years past, and filled the parking lot! There was plenty of food to be had, The Nauset Raw Bar was back, thanks to Scott, Eric, Dick and Terry Sandstrom, we had a couple of new food venues this year, Kelly Annis's homemade Ice Cream was a big hit, Cory's Corn Chowder, Rudy Sawyer and crew for a new type of Sausage sandwich, New for dinner was Rob Osgood's Chile, Pam's Meatball sandwiches, 25 cent hotdogs with Past Presidents Tom Gagnon and George Cairns and myself serving, and rounding out the evening, was the Great Dessert Shuffle, headed up by Sheila Sunman, thanks to all great food and great times, and the center circle had plenty of life!. We had a great year in Raffles, with the ever largest 50/50 raffle in spring meet history, thanks to Kelly Annis. Raffle tables were full, with even our Junior Members jumping in and helping out at the tables, and also helping with the kids games during the general meeting time. This year as with years past, the weather forecast's can be tricky , and with that in mind the spring meet crew decided to have the MBBA casting competition Saturday vice Sunday. Thanks to all for getting the work out on social media, Website, Facebook and Constant contact, to ensure all the information went to advise our membership of the change. Thanks to Don McCorrison and casting committee for re arranging the schedule and ensuring everyone got to cast and making that event so successful! Everyone enjoyed the Petting zoo, and Buzzards Bay Marine Life Centers presentation, and an added benefit of the life centers live seal release on Friday night for all to see! Another thank you to our Treasurer Scott Morris, for keeping us up to speed on the raffle moneys and banks, and for helping figuring the bottom line of which this years spring meet came out in the black, thus making some money for the club! Another big benefit of Spring Meet is getting people to the Promotional Tables so the Membership can see all the promo items Sue and her committee have. The Promo Tables did well as you will see from her report, All in All it was a good old fashioned Spring Meet and I thank everyone who helped an attended. I wish everyone a great Summer of time on the beach with Family and Friends!

Don Fillman, Vice President mbba201@comcast.net



Executive Vice President's Report

This is my first report of the year. We have had a busy agenda this year so far with successful conservation projects and an outstanding Spring Meet to remember. As a past President, I have developed a Presidents Guide for our Presidents going forward to use to ensure we are current with all our administrative responsibilities it takes to operate this organization. This is a working document and will be revised as needed. Our beach representatives attend all the beach management meetings held throughout the year, and have worked with beach managers to assist and help them as needed to open their beaches. They have the support of our membership and we are there if needed in short notice. Our Political Action committee has been busy working with the State on their HCP, Habitat Conservation Program. I'm excited to announce the State has an HCP approved by US Fish and Wildlife. The Town of Orleans is currently using an HCP on Nauset Beach, allowing them an additional 20 days of beach access. The Town of Plymouth is using an HCP for their town parking lot for additional parking. The Town of Barnstable is in the process of applying for an HCP from the state. Others will follow to improve beach access for all. The Cape Cod National Seashore has worked diligently on a new proposed E.A., Environmental Assessment document since 2011. This EA was near completion and was posted for public comment over the winter. The public comment period ended with many participants with opposition to the EA proposal. The EA is on hold at this time. The MBBA Political Action Committee requested a meeting with the CCNS and we met on 6/24/2016. We had a good meeting, our agenda asking for an update on the EA proposal. They are in the process of reading all the public comments. At that time, they will revise the document, up to rewriting it over. We will continue to be involved through the entire process. In the off seasons and during our summer months, the MBBA doesn't sleep. We attend many meetings to stay in touch with Beach Management to understand the issues and changes before they are implemented. This is your club, get involved, help when you can, we remain strong by our membership. Our organization is well respected and looked up to from other beach access organizations on the east coast. We are leaders on many programs and we share our information for best practices. Enjoy the rest of your summer. We will have our next Board of Directors meeting on Weds. 9/7. Stay tuned on our website, we will email you via Constant Contact.

For Continued Beach Access and Conservation,

**Bill Correia, Executive Vice President
Assistant Race Point Beach Rep.**

Chairman of the Board Report

The Next MBBA meeting will be September 7th directions below

Diane Lomba, Board of Directors Chairwoman MBBA849@YMAIL.COM

Directions to the Mitchell Memorial Club:

From North: Take 495 South to Route 105 in Lakeville

At the end of the ramp bear left, and continue on Route 105 (S. Main St.) to the light at Route 28 (W. Grove St) then take a left at light. Turn onto Elm St. on the right. The Mitchell Memorial Club is immediately on the left. Please park in the lower lot. Our meeting is up the stairs from the back door.

From South: Take Route 25 to 495 North. Take exit 4 (Route 105) Lakeville. At the bottom of the ramp, take a right onto Route 105 (S. Main St). Follow to the light at Route 28 (W Grove St) then take a left at light. Turn onto Elm St. on the right. The Mitchell Memorial Club is immediately on the left. Please park in the lower lot. Our meeting is up the stairs from the back door.



Three of a kind, photo by Rob Osgood



Membership Secretary Report

It's time for the beach, and off we go! Please be safe out there on the sand and water.

Please take the time to ask if your friends and neighbors have renewed yet this year. It all makes a difference in the end. If they need any information on membership, send them my way. I'll always make the time. My e-mail is rmosgood@gmail.com and is found on our website www.mbbox.net as well.

Your Member Handbook directories are to be in the mail soon. The Directory Committee hopes you like what you see. It is always a lot of hard work to compile. Thank you to my assistants Terry Sandstrom and Vikki Conboy for their help.

Remember, all Life Members need to notify the Membership Secretary at renewal time with any changes in address and contact information. Checking in is required even if there are no changes. All members should provide an e-mail address; it really makes a difference in our keeping costs down for us all.

Thank you, and have a great summer!

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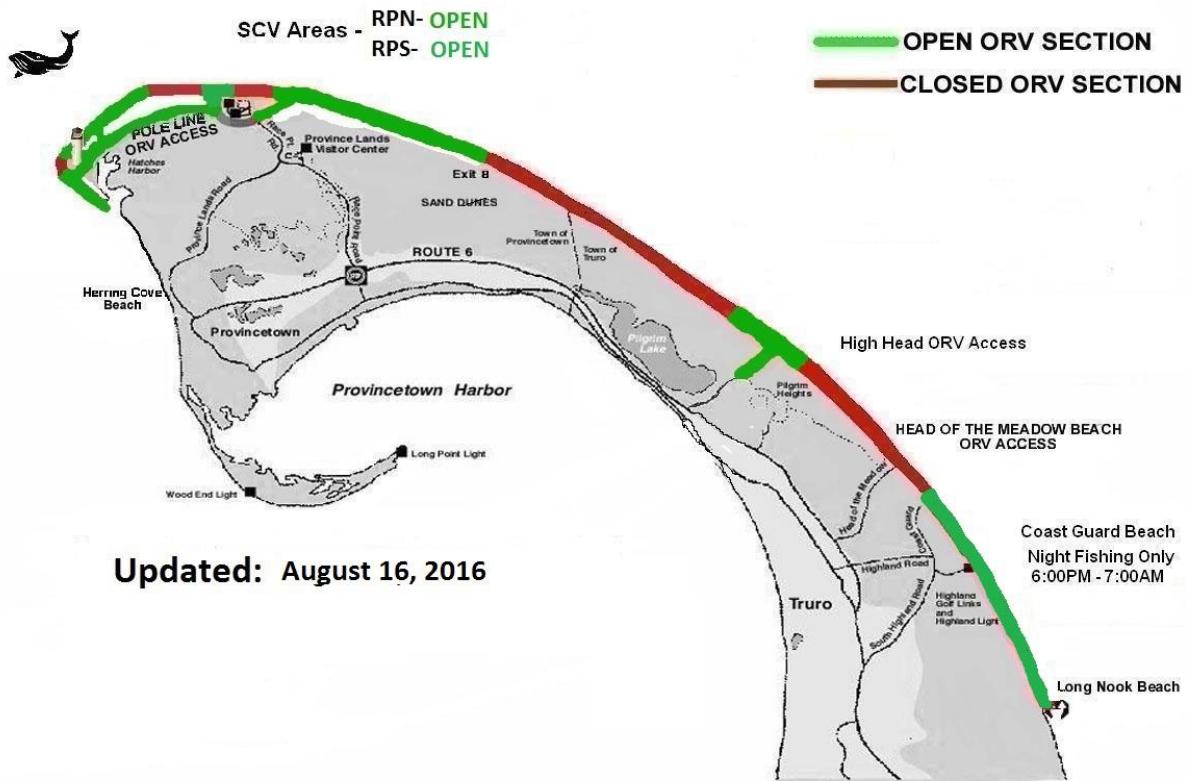
Rob Osgood, Membership Secretary

BEACH REPORTS:

Cape Cod National Seashore, Provincetown, MA

Off road information line: 508-487-3698, General information line: 508-487-2100, ext. 110
Web site: www.nps.gov/caco

Race Point had a rough July and early August due to a proliferation of Plovers and an apparent lack of predators. The good news is the ORV access stayed open all summer and both SCV areas are now open North and South.



Updated: August 16, 2016

Important Spare tire information from the seashore

Many new vehicles are no longer being equipped with a full size spare tire, but instead a hybrid of the full sized tire and the "donut" temporary spare tire which is being referred to as the convenience spare tire. The Convenience Spare is a Temporary/Compact Spare tire developed for Original Equipment applications that allow vehicle manufacturers to increase available trunk space and reduce overall vehicle weight compared to using full-size spare tires and wheels. Like all Temporary/Compact Spare tires, the Convenience Spare tire is designed for temporary use only. It features a smaller physical size, narrower tread, shallower tread depth and lighter-weight construction than the tires with which the vehicle is normally equipped.

The smaller physical size requires Convenience Spare tires be maintained with 60 psi cold tire inflation pressures and driving speeds restricted to 50 mph.

These tires DO NOT meet the minimum requirements for obtaining an Oversand Permit at Cape Cod National Seashore. **Oversand Permits WILL NOT be issued to vehicles that have the convenience spare as their only spare tire.** Spare tires must meet or exceed the regular tire standards outlined in the Oversand Brochure and at <https://www.nps.gov/caco/cape-cod-national-seashoreoversand-beach-driving.htm>

Peter Murray, Beach Rep. pmurray@mbba.net 508-944-4447

Horseneck Beach, Westport, MA

Reservations 877-422-6762, www.reserveamerica.com

There are a lot of changes to the front beach at Horseneck. They have removed a lot of the pavement and have put in primary dunes in front of the services building and the concession stand. They fenced it off with 2 openings, one in front of the services building and one in front of the concession stand. They are awaiting the arrival of 3 shade shelters. The concession stand is set up and opened Memorial Day weekend. The beach is in good shape due to all the work done by the heavy equipment they brought in to move the sand around this spring.

The campground is open and filling up fast for the summer season. With only 100 sites, they go quick.

Hope to see you the weekend after Columbus Day for the fall project at Horseneck.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer!

Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me, Skelly529@aol.com

Sue Kelly, Horseneck Beach Rep



Nauset fish for all 2016

Chapin /Crowes Pasture Beaches



Chapin:

The beach is open following time and tide restrictions on the link to the town below! There are plover nest on Chapin so please check with link below before going as the beach may be closed due to eggs that have hatched until they fledge.



Crowes:

The following are the regulations I received from the town of Dennis when I attended the beach committee meeting on Monday 23rd at town hall. There will be a limit of 80 vehicles allowed on the front beach when tides allow and at low tide when parking on the flats is allowed the total will be the normal 125 but again no more than 80 on the front Beach. No places can be held if you move out to the flats as stated.

Starting May 27th the following Vehicle Operations Policies will be in force for all ORV users at Crowes Pasture:

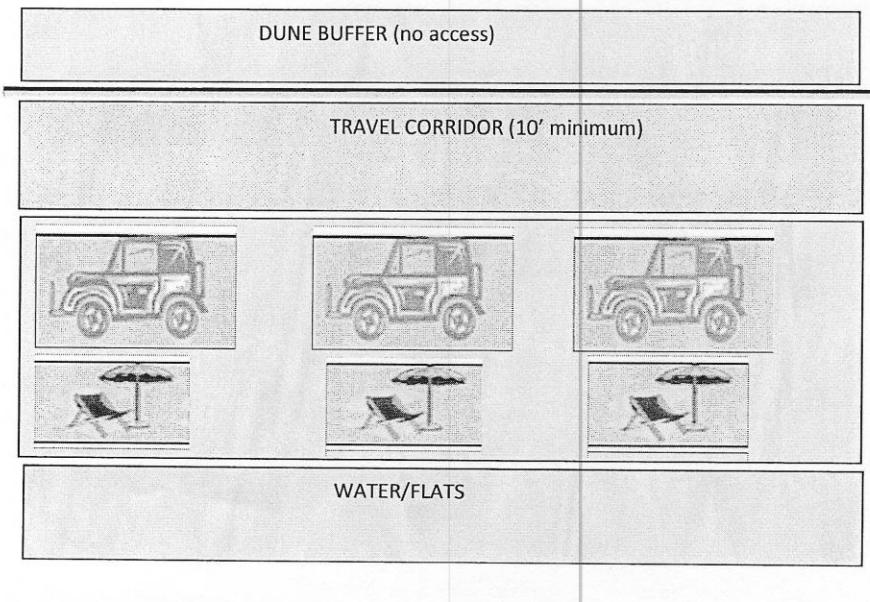
1. Waiting line will be limited to 5 vehicles. DNR officers will determine when adequate beach parking is available.
Parking availability is at the sole discretion of the Natural Resource Officers. Sticker holders who become abusive or threatening to Town staff will have their sticker revoked for the remainder of the season.
2. ORV access to the beach is at the **WEST SIDE ONLY** and traffic on the beach is **ONE WAY ONLY**.
3. Flats access remains open at the West Side. Sticker holders planning on accessing the flats only should arrive no earlier than 2 hours before low tide, in order to insure unimpeded access. Vehicles arriving before the tide is out, will be asked to leave the Little Beach Area. No parking is allowed at Little Beach.
4. When exiting the beach to enjoy the Flats, all personal items and equipment must be removed from the beach and taken in the vehicle so the parking is available. Personal items left on the beach cannot be used to "save" a parking space. New vehicles will be allowed to utilize these spaces. The Town of Dennis is not responsible for personal items left on the beach.
5. With the exception of the rocky area west of the beach access and Quivet Point only parallel parking is available on the beach front. Do Not park between NO PARKING signs and obstruct the vehicle corridor. Vehicles parking in these closed areas may have their stickers revoked.

Park facing East **ONLY**. There is no room to turn around on the beach and access is only from West to East.

Parking areas are extremely limited, we recommend you do not pass up an open space.

Do Not set up blankets, chairs, tents, etc. in the vehicle corridor. This is for the passage of vehicles only.

Please be considerate of others and minimize the extent of beach area used to spread personal items.



Tom Moss, Beach Rep

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sep 7 th	MBBA Directors meeting (all welcome)
Sep 17	Race Point Fall Conservation Project *
Oct 15	Horseneck Conservation Project *
Oct 22	Scusset Fall Conservation Project *

***Please plan to arrive early projects begin at 9:30 AM sharp.**

