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MBBA NEWSLETTER FOR NOVEMBER 2017

Vice Presidents Report

The fall projects for 2017 are over it was nice to see the members at the Scusset Beach Project we had great weather for the whole weekend.

The Holidays are fast approaching and before you know it we will be into show season. If you have the time get on touch and help at our booth on one of the shows it is a great way to learn about the club and also to see the other booths in the shows.

As of writing this November 1st fall Banquet is only 3 days away I hope to see many of you there as this is an important meeting where we elect our officers for 2018 and one of two general membership meetings the other being Spring Meet. Before you know it we will be into Spring Projects and coming into the 2018 beach season there is much work to do this winter so if you have the time some to a Board meeting on the first Wednesday of every month except July and August it would be nice to see some new faces there.

Tom Moss, Vice President

MBBA Nominating Committee



Photo by Diane Lomba

I want to thank the two MBBA Nominating Committee members, Director Terry Lee Sandstrom and Board of Directors Chairman Bob Long for help with nominations and elections. The MBBA membership had our Fall Banquet and Elections at Whites of Westport on Saturday November 4, 2017. The results of the election for the 2018 MBBA Executive Board were:

Patrick Paquette, President

Tom Moss, Vice President

Bill Correia, Executive Vice President

Diane Lomba, Membership Secretary

Elana McCorrison, Recording Secretary

Scott Morris, Treasurer

Steve White, Executive Secretary

I would also like to thank the members of the 2017 MBBA Executive Board, those who stepped up for the 2018 Executive Board, our Directors, Courtesy Patrol, Rudy Sawyer and his banquet committee and all MBBA members who made our banquet and elections a great success.

Respectfully Submitted

Vic Medeiros, Nominating Committee Chair

Chairman of the Board Report

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 6 MBBA Directors meeting (all welcome)

January 3 MBBA Directors meeting (all welcome)

Jan 20-21 Standish Sportsmen's show, East Bridgewater

Bob Long, Chairman of the Board of Directors rnlongsr@gmail.com, 508-241-4003

Directions to the Mitchell Memorial Club:



<https://goo.gl/maps/76qrHqtc9a32>

Note: Please park in the lower lot at the Mitchell Club. Our meeting is up the stairs from the back door.

An Invitation from the 2018 President Elect



Photo by Diane Lomba

The following address was given at the 2018 Fall Banquet. I have asked that this message also be published so that all members have the opportunity to read.

On behalf of those elected to serve as your 2018 administrative team I thank you for the honor of being the stewards responsible to fulfil Article 2 of our bylaws. I encourage each and every member to know our purpose as this purpose is the one thing upon which we come together, upon which we must agree.

Having the President Elect speak at the Banquet is not usual but we meet as a whole so few times it just makes sense. I WANT this "unusual" but sensible action to be symbolic. If you know me then you know I hold tradition and history as sacred. But make no mistake, a priority of my Presidency will be to seek new ideas from our entire membership. Some things are going to change. The term "But we've always done it this way" is hereby banned from MBBA meetings!

Two of the most important responsibilities of the President are to make appointment and to set the organization's agenda.

Regarding appointments. My intention is to build a team. Over the next month, I will speak with each Director & Committee Chair. The theme I want on committees is increased communication and opportunities for new members to become involved.

In addition to committees our BOD meeting agenda is changing. Beginning in January, we will set aside time at each meeting to discuss specific issues the club is facing. The membership is invited and will know the subjects in advance. Hopefully members who care will show up and be heard. The discussion topic in January will be "How to improve conservation projects" and the topic for February will be; "Spring Meet; Where & When".

Regarding beach access; the climate of anti-regulation in DC means that after years of wait and see; the MBBA political action agenda for 2018 will be to plan and launch campaigns intended to increase access on both the Cape Cod National Seashore & the Parker River Wildlife Refuge on Plum Island. Our political action committee will do the base work but without actual users of these beaches providing ideas, stepping up, showing up and being the soldiers, the campaigns will never get off the ground.

I also want to address some of the internal bickering and resentments that sometimes casts a shadow over our grand logo. I graduated high school in 1984. Neither I nor MBBA under my leadership will waste time with gossip and negativity. To address this, we will focus on more opportunities for members to gather and have fun. If you have an idea and are willing to do some work on that Idea I want to hear from you.

Do you want to form a parade committee to be in your local coastal community parade...let's do it? Ever think about a midsummer group getaway when the beaches are closed. Let's form a committee. Do you wish MBBA ran a fantasy football league or had an apple picking trip...let's try.

Along those lines, I am happy to announce that in October of 2018 MBBA will have our first Fall Trip in many years. Our destination will be the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I am forming a fall trip committee and although info will come out throughout the winter, at Spring Meet you can expect a detailed presentation and the opening of reservations.

In closing please join me in offering a round of applause thanking the 2017 Officers, Directors & Committee Chairs.

Enjoy your holidays!

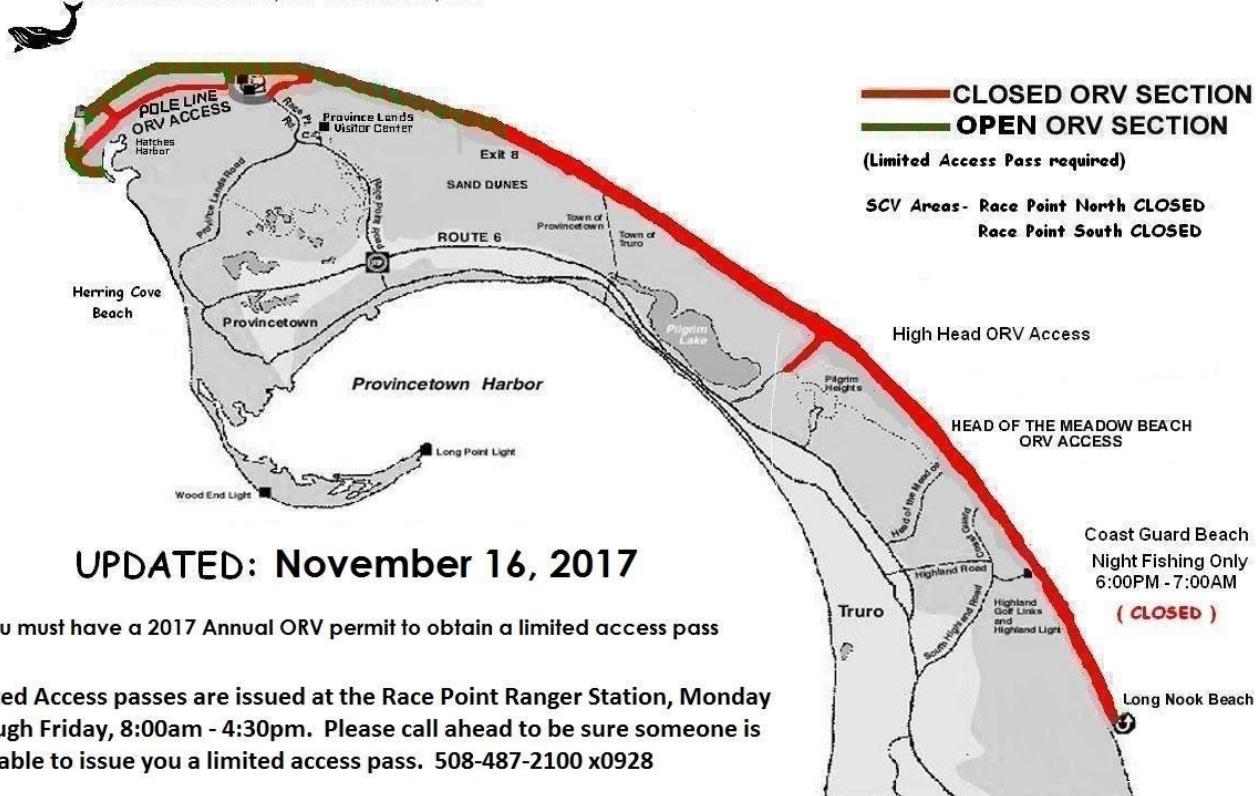
Patrick Paquette, MBBA #848, 2018 President Elect

email BasicPatrick@aol.com

BEACH REPORTS

Cape Cod National Seashore, Provincetown, MA

2017-2018 Indicated portion of the route open with Limited Access Pass, dependent upon beach and weather conditions, between November 16, 2017 and March 31, 2018.



Call the Off-Road Information Line for station hours, current driving conditions, closures and other information: (508) 487- 2100, ext. 0926. The direct phone number to the Oversand Office is: (508) 487-2100, ext. 0927.

Web site: www.nps.gov/caco

Oversand office hours:

8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, 7 days a week (including all holidays)

As always please contact me with any questions or concerns about the seashore and as always, thank you for your support.

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



Horseneck Beach State Reservation, Westport, MA

Park Office 508-636-8817 Reservations 877-422-6762, www.reserveamerica.com

The Horseneck Conservation project was held Saturday, Oct 14, 2017. 49 much appreciated volunteers came out to install the fence along the front main beach.

The weather was not cooperative, it rained most of the day, but at least it was warm and there was no wind. Everyone was soaked, but got the job done in a little over 2 hours. All the DCR staff employees were laid off as of Monday, Oct 9, so there was no one there to assist us, altho they did bring in someone from another park just to be there in case anything came up.

Again, Jeff Mulvey brought his gas powered auger and Bobby rented another one which helped immensely with the installation of the poles. The project went very smoothly under the supervision of Joel Weagle and Donny McCorrison whose leadership we greatly appreciate. Junior member Max Kelly was busy picking up the discarded slats and helping pass out wire.

Bobby and I cooked lunch with the help of Bobby Lomba and Curt Annis. The overhangs off the restrooms provided shelter for lunch, afternoon cornhole games and an awesome pot luck supper.

24 campers took advantage of the closed campground. We had awesome fires both Friday and Saturday nights.

All in all, it was a great weekend.

Thanks to all who participated. Your help is greatly appreciated.

We hope to see you next year.

The campground is closed for the season.

If you have any questions, please email me.

Sue Kelly, Horseneck Beach Rep Skelly529@aol.com

Chapin Beach:



Chapin Beach is in winter mode it is open according to the schedule on the website see the link below.

Crowes Pasture:



Crowes Pasture is in winter mode and is open and you can check the link below for current conditions. The town is working on a new order of conditions specifically for Crowes Pasture instead of having the same one for Chapin and Crowes and they will be submitting into the State Wide HCP for the 2018 summer season. I will keep you posted on this progress as I get reports from the Beach management meetings.

One other note the town has not replaced Brian Everett as of now I will announce when they have hired a new Natural Resources officer and who it is.

Link to Sticker applications and regulations 2017

http://www.town.dennis.ma.us/Pages/DennisMA_NaturalResources/Barrier%20Beach

Tom Moss, Crowes Pasture & Chapin Beach Representative, mbba2178@gmail.com

Scusset Beach Report 140 Scusset Beach Road Sagamore, MA 02562-218

As of this writing the reservation is closed to camping and reopens May 24, 2018 for the Spring & Summer season

The Fall Project will be October 21st with Camping Friday & Sat. Night in the Safari Field. The task at hand to remove 17 sections of Boardwalk and litter pick up. Join us for lunch at 12 PM hope to see all there.

The Scusset Beach State Park is into winter mode Camping available Thursday-Sunday w/ electric (20-50 AMP no Dup or water)

We hope you all enjoyed your Beaches this summer.

Chip Poliseno, Beach Rep.

781-878-7545, Cell: 781-608-7871 servophth1@msn.com

Promotionals

Nothing new for promotionals this month.

If anyone is looking to purchase merchandise, please email me with what you are interested in, and I can let you know if we have it in stock. We do not have all items in all sizes. We have a variety of short and long sleeved T-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, fleece, hats, 65th patches, stickers and much more. Shipping is on average \$6.00. I also attend the monthly meetings in Lakeville, and can bring your items there.

Your support is GREATLY appreciated!!

Sue Kelly, Promotional Chair

email: Skelly529@aol.com



Max Kelly

Photo by Diane Lomba

SPORTSMEN!

COME ON DOWN TO
THE 39th ANNUAL SOUTHEASTERN
MASSACHUSETTS SPORTSMAN'S SHOW
PRESENTED BY THE
**STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S
ASSOCIATION**

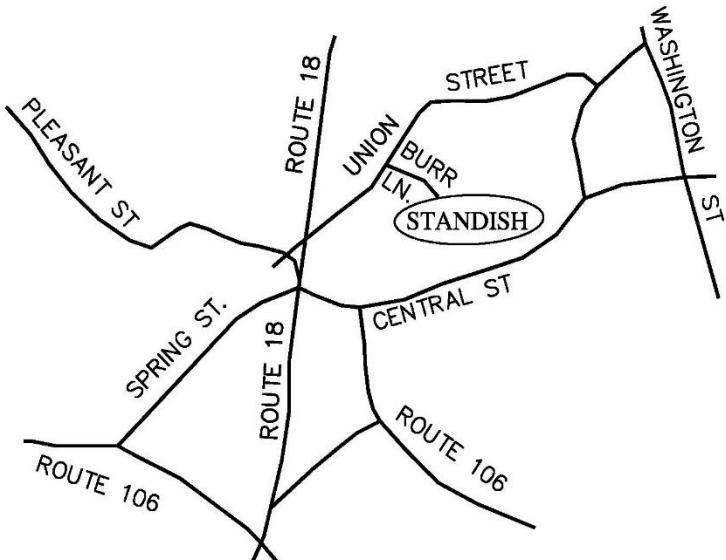
BURR LANE, EAST BRIDGEWATER www.standishsportsmans.com

Saturday, January 20th, 9 am to 5 pm

Sunday, January 21st, 9 am to 2 pm

Hunting, Fishing, Guns, Taxidermy, Archery, Boats

Admission is \$10 for adults and children under 15 free (\$2 off with this Flyer)



For more information call 508-243-5699
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