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MBBA NEWSLETTER FOR SUMMER 2017



Vice Presidents Report

I want to thank everyone who attended this year's 2016 spring meet. We had 49 campers in the parking lot and the safari field! I checked with Diane Lomba our member ship secretary and she had 108 members that signed in with that I would estimate we had approximately 130-140 people at this year's Spring Meet. 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, Cory's Corn Chowder on Friday night was a big hit as usual. Bobby Lomba and Peter Amaral made Sausage Sandwich's, Hamburg/Cheese burgers and 25 cent hotdogs for Saturday lunch, Saturday Diner and Sunday Lunch. Diane Lomba's Quahog chowder was a big hit as a starter for Saturday night's Dinner along with the Nauset Raw bar. Steve DeCosta and John Costa cooked the Bourbon Marinated Steak dinner for Saturday night dinner served by Judy DeCosta, Lauren Moss and Marissa Moss. Rob Osgood's Chile was a big hit for Saturday lunch as an alternative And rounding out the evening, was the Great Dessert Shuffle, headed up by Karen Sawyer, thanks to all great food and great times, and the center circle had plenty of life!. We had a great year in Raffles thanks to all of the volunteers who took some time to help out and sell tickets. 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 the weather gods smiled down on us and we had great weather for the whole weekend our thanks for that. Thanks to Don McCorrison and casting committee for running the casting contest and congratulations to all the winners. This year we had a new event the women's Robert Schlesier MBBA memorial open. All of the children I talked to seemed to really enjoy the Thornton Burgess society presentation and petting animals, I have it on Lauren and Marissa's word that the representative was very good with the group and well liked. A thank you to all who helped with this important event we had a positive Spring Meet which is a help to our 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 time had by all. I wish everyone a great summer of time on the beach with Family and Friends!

Tom Moss, Vice President

Beach Conservation

Thanks to all the volunteers that attended the projects. Hope to see you at the fall projects.

FALL CONSERVATION PROJECTS:

Sep 16 Race Point Beach Fall Conservation Project

Oct 14 Horseneck Conservation Project

Oct 21 Scusset Beach Fall Conservation Project

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

Check our web site or Facebook pages for up to date information or any changes to this schedule.

Don McCorrison, Conservation Chairman, email: Donnymac1108@yahoo.com.

Chairman of the Board Report

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 7 MBBA Directors meeting (all welcome)

July & August Gone Fishing!

September 6 MBBA Directors meeting (all welcome)

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.



Membership Secretary Report

One last reminder that dues are payable January 1st. You are not considered a member in good standing if you have not renewed your 2017 dues by now. Please do so if you have not. Memberships can be paid for online or you can print and mail the form to me. The form can be found on our web site as well as on our Facebook page in the "files" section.

I wish you all a great summer. Talk to the people you are parked next to about our club. Refer them to the website for more information. Mark your calendars for our upcoming fall events. Evite a non-member friend to come and see what our club is all about. Remember to give out membership cards if you have them. We can get you some if you need them as well.

Please contact me anytime with questions or concerns, Ideas or suggestions.

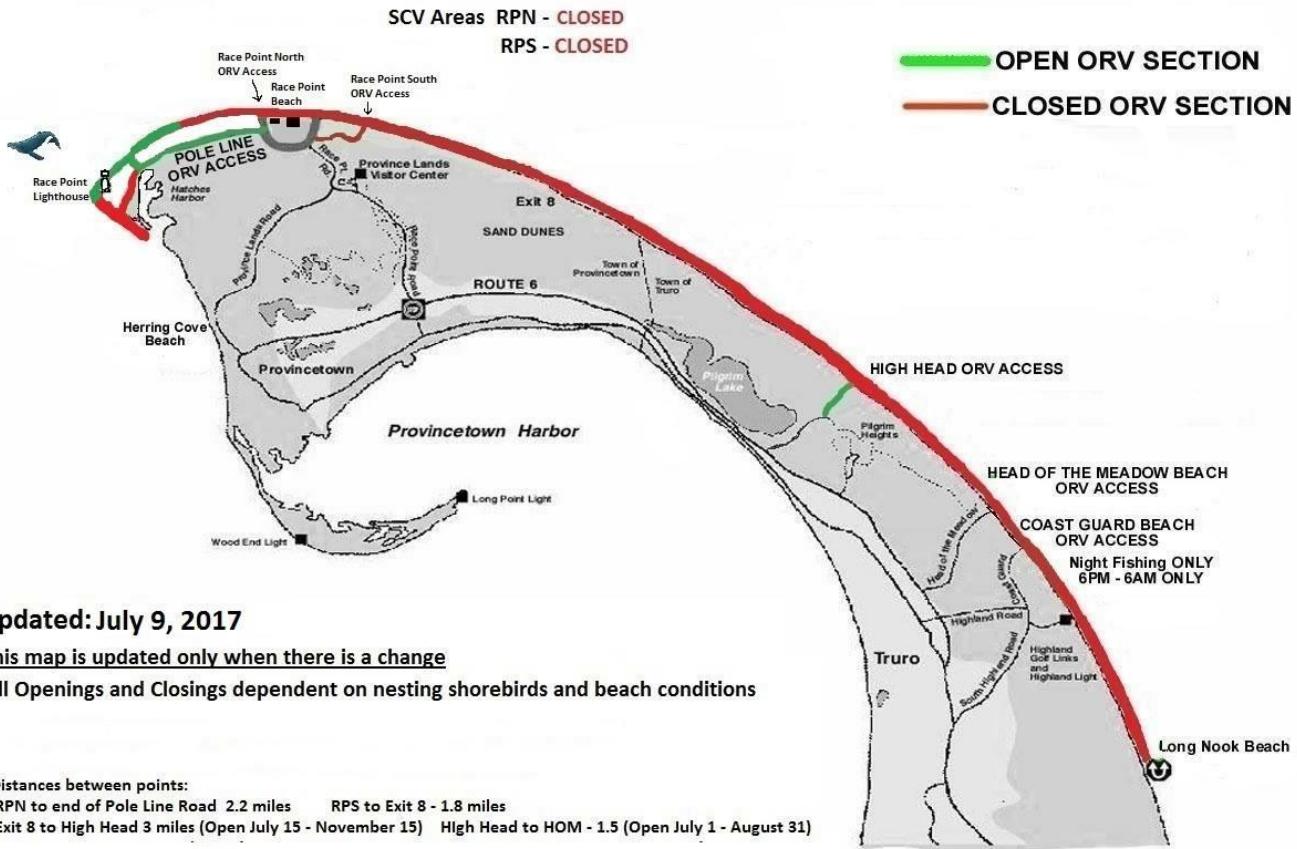
Email: MBBA849@YMAIL.COM or Call/text 774-836-0291

For Continued Beach Access,

Diane Lomba, Membership Secretary

BEACH REPORTS

Cape Cod National Seashore, Provincetown, MA



Another good year for the birds and not for us, although we were near total closure things have improved and 6/10 of a mile is open at the crossover. There are still a ton of birds blocking access to the SCV's and it looks like Race Point South could open first in early August, the good news is that the beach has built up there and symbolic fence not protecting nests has been removed. The fishing from boats still remains good, but it's harder work to get them.

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

Nauset Beach, Orleans, MA

We had some good times catching (and releasing) a number of small striped bass from the shore over Memorial Day and the next weekend too. As with everywhere else the weather was not as nice as one would expect at the end of May into June, but we all are "beach people" and we know how to dress for rain and how to find a lee out of the wind.

The OSV closure update from the Orleans website:

Please be advised that Nauset Beach South is closed as June 7th at 6 a.m. to all (OSV) over-sand vehicles due to the presence of unfledged Piping plover chicks. The Chatham end, south of trail 6, closed (two days earlier) on June 5th. The entirety of Nauset Spit (Orleans residents only) is tentatively scheduled to be closed to all over-sand vehicles on June 30th due to the presence of unfledged plover chicks. Nauset Spit will remain open until June 30th unless a shift in the predicted daily foraging range of these birds occurs, then management may be forced to close immediately at that time.

Let's hope that these "first time successful nesting leads to minimal closures"!

Richard & Terry Sandstrom





Sandy Neck Beach, Barnstable, MA

Hi all and greetings from the mid cape.

Summer is now in full swing. Closures for the beach are changing rapidly. As of 6/20 the beach is open 1.25 miles. (Just west of trail 2) This brood of Plovers will be 28 days old around July 11th so fingers crossed that more beach will open more then or shortly after. Be aware that there are other nests after trail 2. I will keep you updated as much as I can. I've been updating on Face Book as well as on the Sandy Neck page of our web site.

Consider checking the Sandy Neck web page before heading out.

<http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/SandyNeckPark/Default.aspx>

Curfew for day vehicles is 11:00 PM. This means you must be aired up and exit the park by 11:00 PM. (unless actively fishing) Day vehicles will not be permitted onto the beach past 9:00 PM. The gate house is very strict about these rules.

We are excited about the possibility of an escort program this summer. This program is to escort past the Least Terns. You can read the details here.

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dgf/nhesp/species-and-conservation/sandy-neck-coi-2016-and-amendment-final.pdf>

Sandy Neck Beach offers walks throughout the year. You can check the schedule here:

<http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/SandyNeckPark/events/eventshome.aspx>

Also be sure to check out the blog written by the SNK staff.

<http://www.townofbarnstable.us/sandyneckblog/>

I hope you have a safe healthy summer. Remember to always represent the MBBA in a positive manner.

As always, contact me with questions, comment, or information. MBBA849@YMAIL.COM

For Continued Beach Access,

Diane Lomba, Sandy Neck Beach Rep.

Horseneck Beach State Reservation, Westport, MA

Park Office 508-636-8817

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

It is mid June, and hot weather has attracted thousands to the main beach at Horseneck. Pay and Display machines have been installed to expedite the traffic situation, but Sunday the 11th they had to open up a second parking lot as the traffic was backed up to the rotary coming in. Approximately ½ of the beach has been fenced off for the piper plover nests. Heavy plover monitoring has been in place for over a month. No vehicles are allowed in the concession and maintenance building areas nor the service road.

The campground is pretty much the same as last year, no real improvements.

Pay and Display machines have been installed at the main beach parking areas to help expedite parking.

If you have any questions, please email me.

Sue Kelly, Horseneck Beach Rep Skelly529@aol.com



Chapin Beach:



In speaking with Dennis natural resources on June 5 Chapin Beach has one Piping Plover nest that has not hatched as of yet. Chapin is open according to the calendar on the town site below. Always check it for times and tides.

Crowes Pasture:



Crowes Pasture is open and you can check the link below for current conditions. Crowes had one Piping Plover nest on it the high tide during this last storm washed it out. I will keep you posted as I receive information about re-nesting and closures.

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