



MASSACHUSETTS BEACH BUGGY ASSOCIATION, INC.



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MBBA NEWSLETTER FOR APRIL / MAY 2016



Vice Presidents Report

Hello everyone, with the Projects winding down, and May is on the doorstep, start to really have Spring Meet 2016 come together, Spring Meet dates, Friday May 20- Sun May 22. Check in will be on Friday evening, and during times on Saturday and Sunday. Juniors check in will also occur on Saturday, Lots of stuff Planned, the Buzzards Bay National Marine Life center will have their display in the center circle, The Petting zoo is back this year, listen for location, Lure Builder and Fisherman Al Gags will be with us to show his new lures and tell us his tales of fishing. The Nauset Raw Bar is back for Sat Lunch, as will Be Cory's Corn Chowder. Our Important Annual Meeting will take place @ 2pm, and Cathy Fillman and crew will take the juniors and have some fun and games, some new games from our sister clubs will be incorporated and some new faces will be there to help. the kids Scavenger Hunt, Poster contest, is all back. Dinner will be around 5:30 PM with the Return of the 25 cent Hotdogs, also Kelly Annis providing chili, and followed by the Dessert Table, I am looking for help in running the dessert table, then a raffle table call, and then our DJ under the Tent Sat Night starting around 7:30 Pm.

Sun will start with our casting contest, whatever is left over from Sat nights hot dogs, chili, raw bar will go back on sale, awards, recognitions, and raffle tables, are back.

As Always we are looking for volunteers to help sell raffle tickets, for the tables, 50/50 etc so if you have the time, please help out where and when you can.

I will be finalizing the Spring Meet Itinerary within the next week or so, and will get a copy on the FB Page and Web site, etc, thanks and look forward to seeing everyone at Spring Meet!

Don Fillman, Vice President mbba201@comcast.net



Chairman of the Board Report

Hi All!

Wow, I can believe projects are over already. Although the weather did not cooperate at all this project season, it seems you, our members made the best of it. It seems like we had challenges right from the get go. With snow, ice and very stormy weather messing with our first weekend, to a total sand storm with high winds. From closed parking lots to fog and cold temperatures. However, we still prevailed. You, our members showed up and made the best of every curve ball passed to us. I commend you all who attended even one project this season. Spring meet will be coming up next. Not only is this a fun event with lots of activities planned, it's a time to come socialize with friends, meet new people and support our club, all in one fun, jammed packed weekend. Do not forget our all-important General Business Meeting. This meeting will be held Saturday afternoon. Please plan to attend. Some important matters will be brought before our general membership. This is your meeting. You have a voice and your opinion is appreciated. If you have a matter that should be brought before the membership, please email our president Rudy Sawyer with your suggestion.

In addition, the web site committee is busy working on the web site. Please bear with them, as pages are worked on. Please report any problems or errors to the committee. You can do so by emailing info@mbba.net

Hope to see everyone Spring Meet weekend.

For Continued Beach Access,

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.



Membership Secretary Report

The season is upon us now and I hope everyone has made plans to visit their favorite spot. This year's Membership Handbook is printed and soon to be in everyone's hands. Thank you to everyone that contributed, but especially the Directory Committee. Thanks to Terry Sandstrom and Vikki Conboy for their assistance with proofing the many pages of information.

Please check with your friends to see if they have sent in renewals for this year. It's sometimes forgotten in our busy lives. Everyone is important to the goal of beach access.

Thank you to those who have renewed and included an e-mail address this year. It saves the club a great deal of time and money when information can be sent using Constant Contact. All information is kept within the club and confidential.

A reminder to all Life Members that it is necessary to contact the Membership Secretary annually to update their contact information for accurate records. No dues are needed, just a note to keep up with changes of addresses.

If anyone has questions or concerns about their membership, please contact me anytime at rmosgood@gmail.com

Rob Osgood, Membership Secretary



Beach Art, Photo by Rob Osgood



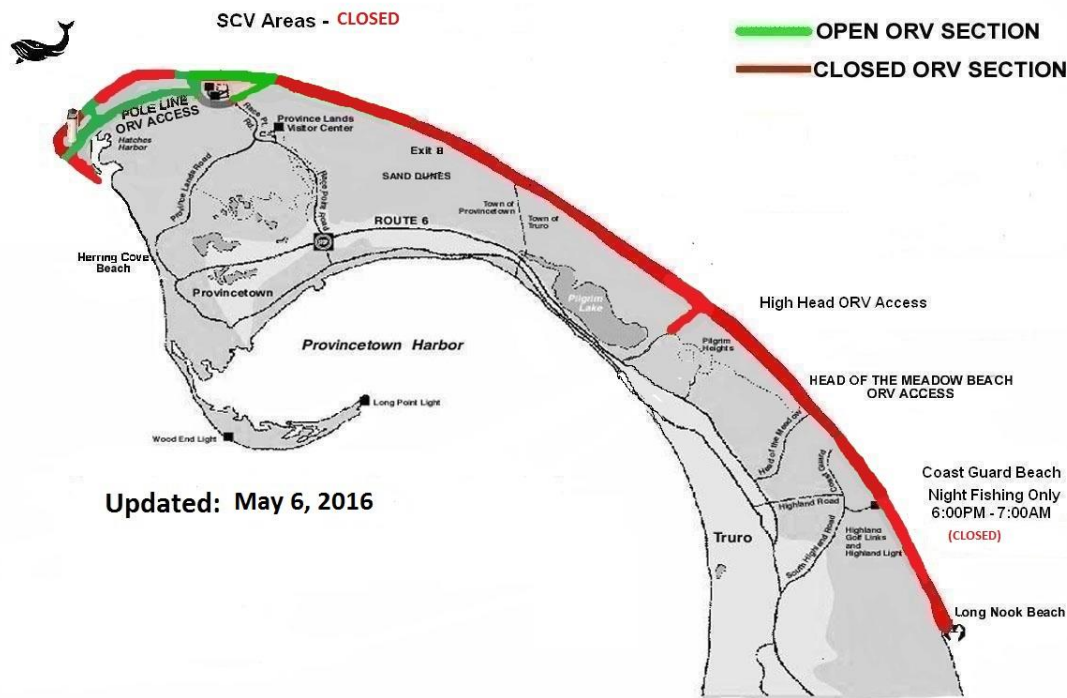
Land slide at Coast Guard Beach

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



Thank you to all the volunteers that came out for this year's spring conservation project and our Courtesy Patrol for a great lunch. The SCV area is temporally closed due to storm conditions and a very narrow beach, the SCV area remains at the visitor's center

Permits went on sale April 10th

Hours:

8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Seven days a week (including all holidays)

Price:

ORV Annual - \$150

ORV 7-Day - \$50

SCV Annual - \$225

SCV 7-Day - \$75

There will be up to 400 7-Day permits active at any time and 3000 annual permits available.

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. This office is staffed daily, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, from April

Race Point report continued:

through November 15. Off season: From November 15 - April 10, please call the Race Point Ranger Station at (508) 487-2100, ext. 0928

Please remember that the advanced sale of weekly permits will no longer be offered. Recent history seems to indicate plenty of stickers are available throughout the summer and fall, weekly or seasonal.

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



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

As of this writing the reservation is gearing up for opening day which is May 5 with the last spring project is set that weekend @ 9:30 AM 5/7 Sat. free camping is available in the Safari Field water & dump station should be available, hope to see all there. The task at hand will be to reinstall the 17 sections of boardwalk & rope post from the crest of the dune to the beach. Less labor task will be litter patrol but with the installation of a new roof on the main bath house a lot of paper debris has collected in the brush. The beach is in good shape with the lack of any severe storms this winter.

Than we get ready for Spring Meet May 20-22 we hope we get a great turn out. Having to work the meet for 3 years I personally can tell you how much effort goes into this weekend, so please come out and enjoy this event and volunteer at the raffle tables.

Chip Poliseno, Beach Rep 781-878-7545, Cell 781-608-7871 servophth1@msn.com

Horseneck Beach, Westport, MA

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

According to the Park Coordinator, all the snow fence was removed a month ago and the staff has been busy returning as much sand to the beach as possible with a front end loader. They are monitoring the annual arrival and nesting of the plovers and least terns.

The department has a contractor busy at work installing railings around the new dune areas adjacent to Beach Road. Areas of the old concourse directly facing the beach were removed and sand was trucked in to start the dune building process. New snow fence was installed in a zigzag pattern to catch the sand blown off the beach which will be used to build the new row of primary dunes. Two entrances were left on either end, one leading to the concession area. At some point, huge shade shelters will be installed on the remaining concourse.

I have not been down to see the work that's being done.

The campground is status quo for now.

The new dunes are in place on the main beach in front of the Beach services building (the headquarters) along Beach Road. They left two narrow corridors to get through, one leading to the concession stand and one on the opposite side. They are planning to restrict one to emergency access only for safety purposes. Railings indicate where the dunes end. They are awaiting the arrival of three large shade shelters which will be placed in this area.

I have not been down there yet to see all the changes that have been made, but hope to before the next newsletter. Horseneck Beach State Reservation, Westport, MA
Park Office 508-636-8817

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

Sue Kelly, Horseneck Beach Rep



Photo by Diane Lomba

Sandy Neck Beach, Barnstable, MA

Greetings from the Mid Cape!

I want to thank the 64 volunteers who ventured out to Sandy Neck for the spring conservation project this year. The weather was terrible. It was dry, but cold and windy. The whipping sand made the project very difficult. We were lucky to have a lifeguard shack for an escape for our morning meeting and a safe haven for lunch. I truly do appreciate the participation.

The gatehouse is now open daily. Please read the updated rules and regulation. There have been some changes. New these years are off season curfew time changes and generator quiet hours.

I look forward to seeing or meeting you at Spring Meet coming very soon (May 20-22 at Scusset State Reservation in Sagamore) If you've never been to a Spring Meet, Stop in. There is always something going on and our general business meeting is Saturday afternoon. All members are encouraged to attend. Be sure to look for the Yellow Sandy Neck Beach Rep sign. That's where you'll find me to say hi!

Please email me with questions and comment. MBBA849@YMAIL.COM

For Continued Beach Access,

Diane Lomba, Beach Rep.

Promotionals

The Spring Order has been placed and received, we are just awaiting the arrival of the new 2016 T-Shirts.

New items were on sale at the P-Town project and went very well.

Everything will be displayed at Spring Meet, so please make sure you visit our tables.

We will have some sale items as well.

We greatly appreciate your support!

Sue Kelly, Promotional Chairperson

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 20-22	MBBA Spring Meet
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.**



Salisbury Beach project volunteers April 30, 2016