

CLEARWATER BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION



SPRING/SUMMER 2010

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Dear Property Owners:

This past fall and winter storms have been especially challenging for our community. On November 6, 2009 we had a severe nor'easter with winds up to 60 MPH. It was followed by a number of storms all of which carried winds from the northeast which caused our inlet to shoal up and become virtually blocked. Boats were unable to navigate through the shoal and very little water flow in and out of the inlet was affecting all the marine life in Hog Creek. A MOST SERIOUS SITUATION.

We submitted the necessary applications to the DEC for permission to do an emergency dredge. We requested removing the sand and spreading it onto Lion Head Beach which lost sand in the same storms. At one point after communications back and forth with the DEC, they sent us a letter dated January 20, 2010, a copy of which is printed in this newsletter. In summary, it stated that we would be unable to dredge the inlet until October, 2010 so as to protect migrating spawning winter flounder and disturbing piping plovers nesting on the beach. This would have caused a shut down of Lion Head and Clearwater marinas, a loss of 80% of income from boat slip fees to our budget and a financial loss to our local economy from lack of 162 boats needing fuel, boat maintenance etc. Also, and most importantly, a severe loss to the marine life in Hog Creek. We printed in this newsletter the DEC letter and follow-up letters from our town officials.

The folks at the DEC have been working diligently on specifications to allow a partial limited dredge prior to March 31st, 2010. This would allow our boats to get in and out of the inlet. GREAT NEWS! On March 19, 2010, they issued a permit modification and allowed us to do a limited dredge.

As of today, March 24, 2010, Patrick Bistran, Jr. our contractor has begun the project of dredging our inlet.

Our marina will be open and our members will enjoy all the full benefits of our reservation. A special thanks to Larry Penny and his staff at the East Hampton Town Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection. He has worked above and beyond the call of duty to help us with documents, meetings and phone calls. Please acknowledge the efforts of William Wilkinson our town supervisor, Diane McNally, and Fred Thiele



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President's Message *(continued)*

our assemblyman. This project approval would not have been possible without their help.

For your advance planning, please note the following dates for up coming events: July 10, 2010, our annual celebration and BBQ. July 24, 2010 our annual membership meeting at 10:00 am, held at the Springs Elementary School.

Many of our members and families have been already been enjoying our reservation. We look forward to seeing you this summer.

Sincerely,

George Lombardi
President

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from the desk of the **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Whew! What a Winter. I can't wait until Spring. Had enough snow to last a lifetime! Some members still do not know their Clearwater Beach lot number. It is not your East Hampton tax map number. It is the 3-digit number to the right of your name on the mailing labels on the newsletter or any mail that we send you. We would appreciate you using this number on your checks or invoice that you return to us.

The entrance gate will be activated on or around the 15th of April. You must have your maintenance fee paid by then so we can activate your card serial number and allow you entrance to our beautiful Reservation. About 550 members have paid their fees at this writing so why don't the remaining 300+ members join them in helping keep our Reservation in beautiful shape. Don't be one of the few who are disappointed when the invalid gate card will not open the gate to allow you entrance to the Reservation.

A reminder about gate cards:

They are a one time issue and are activated upon payment of your maintenance fee each year. Each paying lot is allowed a maximum of 3 cards of which the first one is free with your lot. If you wish additional cards, you may purchase additional cards at \$4.00 per card. This fee is to defray the cost of having them made up. However, please be advised that if you have the maximum (3 cards) and you lose any of them and wish to replace them it will cost \$50.00 per card. So please be careful and take good care of those cards.

Boat Slip Applicants

Again, I must report that over 80% of the boat slip applications have been in error and could not be initially processed. Missing info, no copies of boat registration, no slip fees, insurance papers not submitted or incomplete were among the many reasons that delayed the processing. You should be more careful in filing your application as it could result in not obtaining the slip you wish, or perhaps even a missed slip assignment. As of this writing we have 73 member slips and 26 sponsored slips processed. Please note that we have only 119 slips available, mostly for smaller boats, and we have almost 900 CBPOA members. These slips are at a premium especially when you compare our slip fees to the other marinas in the area so file your application correctly and ASAP. Have a great Spring & Summer.



Rod Grille
Executive Secretary

SUMMER FUN AWAITS



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RESERVATION'S
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East Hampton Boating Class Schedule

The Power Squadron has schedule two America's Boating Courses with New York State Boating requirements. The first course is schedule for Thursdays on April 8, 13, 20 at the Pierson High School in Sag Harbor, NY, while the second course is scheduled for Thursdays on May 20, 27 and June 4 at the Bridgehampton National Bank at 2200 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton, NY. The schedule session time is 7-9 PM.

In addition, the following Seminars are scheduled:

- BASIC COASTAL NAVIGATION – TUESDAY 18 MAY
7-9 PM
Bridgehampton National Bank
2200 Montauk highway
Bridgehampton, NY
- OUTBOARD WEATHER FORECASTING – TUESDAY 25 MAY
7-9 PM
Bridgehampton National Bank
2200 Montauk highway
Bridgehampton, NY
- Using GPS – Thursday 17 June
7-9 PM
Bridgehampton National Bank
2200 Montauk highway,
Bridgehampton, NY

NATIONAL USPS EDUCATION NEWS

National recent meeting at Orlando, Fl revealed some changes for education. America's Boating Course (ABC) is being reprinted with some additions and corrections to the text and review questions. This will be the 3rd edition. A new Marine Communication Systems course will be forthcoming and will be a replacement for the existing Marine Electronics course material.

USPS is now focused on highlighting online Internet courses such as ABC boating and advance courses to attract more individuals in becoming members. It is important to note New York state boating course students are required to take a class instructed course and separate exam. There is also consideration to allow individuals with safe boating experience and who exhibited knowledge to become members by taking the basic boating courses.

BOATING SAFETY

Safety on the water at the start of the boating season begins at home with a review of boating course manuals. In particular, navigation rules, boat requirements, safety needs for your boat should be checked. A check on dated equipment (flares) should be considered before using your vessel. Charts for a planned upcoming cruise should be reviewed to insure safe passage to your destination. An excellent idea is to have your vessel inspected by a Power Squadron Vessel Examiner. Knowledge of weather and reviewing conditions for the days ahead will also add to the safety of a cruise. Knowing the condition of your boat before hand will provide for a more enjoyable boating season. The check-off list should also include engine maintenance needs, wiring and ground condition for your boat, and electronic equipment operational readiness.

Clearwater Beach Property Owners Association, Inc.

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C.B.P.O.A. PICNIC AREA

Guidelines for Reserving Area

1. Send completed form plus check to **Stuart Selip, 49 Rutland Road, East Hampton, NY 11937; phone: 329-3380**
2. Maximum number of 100 people allowed per reservation.
3. Cars must be parked in the paved parking lot.
4. C.B.P.O.A resident making the reservation is responsible for the conduct and actions of all guests and for the Cleaning Up of the area after the affair or party. TRASH MUST BE CARTED AWAY NO LATER THAN 10:00 AM the FOLLOWING MORNING.
5. No reservations will be made for July 4th weekend and Labor Day weekend.
6. No alcohol may be served to minors.
7. Any fires must be made in the grills or the fireplace.
8. Volume of music must be controlled at a reasonable level so as not to annoy the neighbors.
9. Affair or party must be over by 11:00 PM.
10. No fireworks at any time.
11. A deposit of \$150 is required seven days prior to reservation date, to be refunded after inspection of area shows clean-up complete and no damage to facility. Applicant is responsible for any damage to facility; C.B.P.O.A. will repair and bill applicant.
12. Approval of Board is required for any structure, tent or other article not presently on C.B.P.O.A property.
13. The beach sun shed will not be included in area of use.
14. Beach can be used for beach purposes only; no volley ball playing on beach.
15. East Hampton Town requires a Town Permit for gatherings of 50 people or more.
16. A Certificate of Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 must be submitted before the reservations date is confirmed. The Certificate must list CBPOA as additionally insured. This can be obtained from your Homeowners policy agency. IF LIQUOR IS TO BE SERVED, IT MUST INCLUDE LIQUOR LIABILITY. If an outside caterer is used, please be advised that a copy of his/her Certificate of Insurance in the amount of a million dollars must also list CBPOA as additionally insured.
17. Also, before your party date is confirmed, an indemnification and hold harmless agreement (copy attached) must be completed, signed and notarized by a notary public.
18. Picnic area reservations will be made available to Clearwater members in good standing and their immediate family members only.

C.B.P.O.A. PICNIC AREA RESERVATION FORM

complete and mail to address below

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: (Print) _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Date of Affair: _____ Hours (from): _____ To: _____

Clearwater Beach Property Owners Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 666 East Hampton. New York 11937



Alexander B. Grannis
Commissioner

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EAST HAMPTON TOWN
NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT



January 20, 2010

George Lombardi
Clearwater Property Owners Association
P.O. Box 666
East Hampton, NY 11937

Re: Clearwater Beach Marina: Dredging of Hog Creek Inlet
Kings Point Road
Springs, NY 11937
DEC# 1-4724-00120/00022

Dear Mr. Lombardi:

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has made a preliminary review of your request for a modification of the referenced permit to expand the approved dredging area in order to re-open a shoaled channel, and we have the following comments.

While a full technical review of your proposal has not been completed, we would like to respond to the requests made by you and by the East Hampton Environmental Protection Department to expedite this modification to allow the dredging of this area in the very near future. Unfortunately, if the modification is approved, the earliest date the work could be authorized to commence is October 1, 2010. We are currently in the dredging prohibition period which was established to protect spawning winter flounder. This period began January 15th and will extend through mid-May, at which point the proposed work could not be permitted because it would disturb piping plovers (*Charadrius melodus*) nesting on the beach. DEC has documented the occurrence of the piping plover and least tern (*Sterna antillarum*), species listed as endangered and threatened, respectively, in 6 NYCRR Part 182, in the vicinity of the subject property. We have determined that certain activities, including but not limited to, excavation, the placement of fill, grading, some construction/demolition activities, and the operation of mechanical equipment at this site during the species' spring and summer nesting season may result in the "take" of these endangered/threatened species or their habitat within the meaning of Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) §11-535, and thus the proposed work cannot be permitted during this time period. Finally, while the piping plover and least tern protection "window" ends on August 31st, the dredging prohibition period established to protect spawning shellfish and/or spawning finfish would still be in effect for one more month, through September 30th.

If you are still interested in pursuing a modification of the referenced permit to authorize work to commence on October 1, 2010, please let me know. In that event, the following additional information will be required:



- In a recent telephone conversation, Mr. Larry Penny of the Town of East Hampton DEP indicated that the channel is not currently passable by vessels at high tide. He noted that depths at high tide were as low as one foot in some areas. The most recent crossview provided shows a depth in the center of the channel of 3' at mean low water, and thus a depth of 5.7' at MHHW. Representative crossviews of the current conditions in the channel must be provided. If conditions vary significantly from one area to another, several transects may be necessary in order to accurately represent the existing conditions.
- Depth soundings must be provided which document the current, low water depths in the shoaled area. The soundings should be taken at low tide, and the soundings data submitted must include the date and the time the measurements were taken.

Please submit four sets of any revised plans and soundings data to my attention at the above address. When this information is received, processing of your application will continue.

Sincerely,

Sherri Aicher
Sherri Aicher
Environmental Analyst

TIDE and TIME

By Erik Braun

"Tide and Time Wait For No Man." The origin of this saying is uncertain, although it is ancient and predates modern English. While its original meaning is: no man is strong enough to stop the march of time, I use it here to help you understand how to catch more of our delicious local seafood.

Here in the western Atlantic we are blessed with four tides per day. These tides last a little over six hours apiece and they are not equal. Every day we have; a big high tide, then a big low tide, then little high tide followed by a little low tide. Many factors affect tides, but the moon phase has the biggest effect. The difference between tides changes constantly but the cycle does not. Some days the difference between the big high and the little low is slight and other days it is significant. Generally the exaggerated two tides, the little low and the big high, are the more productive tides each day.

The exaggerated tides are the stronger tides because more water has to move in or out. These are the better tides for both fishing and shell fishing. They are better for fishing because the water will be moving faster. The faster moving water helps fishermen because ambush predators like Striped Bass or Fluke will congregate behind structure and wait for meals delivered by these strong tidal currents. Congregated fish are easier for the fisherman to target and catch. Remember fish feed facing into a current. Picture a salmon in a river; it's the same for most ambush predators in the sea.

If you are looking for shellfish like clams and oysters, the big low can be dramatically lower than the little low. These lower tides will make your effort more productive because the tide will get lower and last longer on the big low. Every year I see folks clamming on the high tide. While this is a great way to beat the heat, it is far less effective than clamming on the low tides.

If you want to catch more fish, timing is everything. Most people know nocturnal animals are active at night and diurnal animals are active by day. Game fish often fall into another category. They are crepuscular; this means they are active at dawn and dusk, like mosquitoes. Many times the best fishing of the day occurs at biological dawn. This is the time before the sun has actually risen. The early morning hour when the birds are feverishly chirping and the fish start biting is called false dawn or biological dawn.



There are times when the fishing is better at dusk than at dawn, and there are times when fish feed aggressively only on a certain tidal stage. Fluke for example will often only bite during a few hours each tide. If they bite like crazy an hour after the flood began today, they will often repeat that the next day - Not at the same time of day, but at the same tidal stage (one hour after the flood starts).

If you can plan your activities around strong tides and dawn and dusk periods you will find yourself catching many more fish. I use a web site: www.tide/currentpredictor.com to look at the tide conditions for the area I plan to work.

Good Luck,
Erik

Cooking Long Island's Bounty

By Phyllis Mallah

It always seems that spring has to battle its way into the Northeast while winter fights tooth and nail to hang on. The first vegetables will probably be available by the time this newsletter appears. Since our glorious LI Asparagus is one of the first vegetables, here is a delicious warming soup for that iffy weather, which I discovered and has delighted everyone. Another treat though wicked (in more ways than one) is a quick mushroom pasta dish.

Asparagus and Potato Soup

Two bunches of asparagus
Three Yukon Gold potatoes
Three leeks (White portion only)
Four or more cups of broth

Two bay leaves preferably fresh
Three large cloves of garlic
A cup of short grain white rice
Salt and pepper to taste



Cut woody tips off asparagus and put them in a pot covered with 2 inches of water above the tips. Boil tips to yield asparagus broth. In pan pour enough olive oil to cover the bottom and three-crushed garlic cloves. Sauté until golden. Peel potatoes and cut into small cubes. Cook a few minutes and add bay leaves. Add the leeks, which have been diced and washed. Stir and cook until soften. Add asparagus broth and asparagus that have been cut into pieces that are about 1/4 in. long. Add three cups of high quality hot vegetable broth. Cook for about 45 minutes until potatoes are thoroughly cooked and then add the rice. Cook till rice is done. Add more hot broth. To serve, drizzle a little olive oil on top and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Of course, always use the best ingredients when cooking.

Creamed Mushroom Pasta

A dozen shitake mushrooms
Two shallots diced
Three tbsps. of dried wild mushrooms
(i.e. porcinis) soaked in warm
water for 1/2 hr.
1/2 lb. pasta

Two garlic cloves crushed
A cup of heavy cream
Salt and pepper to taste
Chopped parsley
Three tbsps. extra virgin olive oil



Begin boiling the pasta. In sauté pan, add olive oil, shallots, and garlic. Cook until lightly golden. Remove the stems from the shitake mushrooms and slice caps into ribbons. Add to garlic and shallots. Pour the soaking wild mushrooms through a strainer. Add the wild mushrooms to the sauce. Pour liquid through a very fine strainer and add to pan. Add cream and heat thoroughly, stirring ingredients. Remove cooked pasta from pot and add to sauce. Mix pasta and sauce. Sprinkle with parsley and cheese; and serve.

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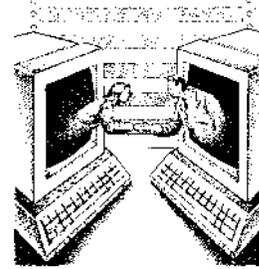
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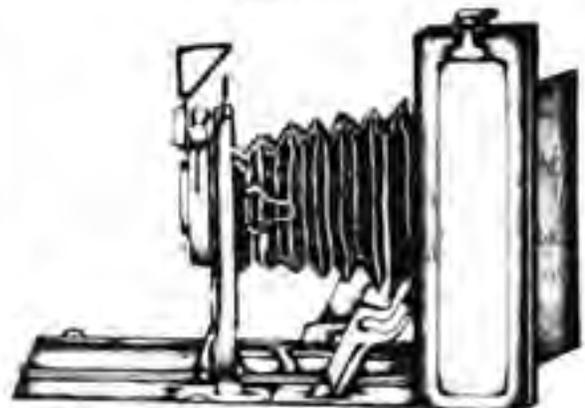
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Nature of Event Date of Event

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Names of all signers

Or third parties. It is understood and agreed that this release of claims and agreement to indemnify and hold harmless is a condition precedent and an un-severable part of the permission given by the CBPOA and that the CBPOA was induced to grant such permission by the promise of the undersigned to grant this release.

Name _____
Print all names of signers

Responsible official of organization
With authority to sign.

Signature _____

Date _____

(STATE OF NEW YORK)
(COUNTY OF SUFFOLK)

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Date Names of Signers

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