



MASSACHUSETTS BEACH BUGGY ASSOCIATION, INC.



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NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 2010

Presidents Report

I'd like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and hope for a great upcoming year ahead. As many of us know this is our 60th year as club still actively engaged in the continued pursuit of beach access and conservation of the many beaches we enjoy. As many now know that starting this year we have to register for a Saltwater license. As the state was late on passing the bill this year the cost will be free and will be a cost of 10.00 starting in 2011. As the fees are collected from the licenses a third will be deposited in a dedicated fund for beach access for surf and boaters alike. Secondly I will be extending the deadline for conservation camp until February as I only have 1 applicant and would like to send more as the ones that have gone have had a great time learning boating, hunting, and other activities. Also this month starts our show season with first one being held in Bridgewater at the Standish Sportsman club. If you have any photos you would like to see on display please send them to me or Exec. VP Rudy Sawyer. Plans are under way for Spring meet, Fall Banquet, clean ups and new items from promotionals to be announced in the website and forum or monthly newsletters.

For Access and Conservation, Tom Gagnon, President

Vice Presidents Report

Now with the holidays behind us, it's time to start thinking spring, beach and fishing. We are on an uphill swing now and it will be here before we know it! The project dates will soon be announced and when they are finished, it's time for Spring Meet!!! The dates this year are **May 21, 22, 23 2010**. Mark your calendars and plan on attending. If you have attended in the past, you know how much fun it can be. If you have never attended, you don't know what you are missing. **MBBA is 60 years old** this year so we are going to try and plan something special for the members to enjoy. I am accepting volunteers, suggestions, critiques on the '09 spring meet and any new ideas at all. No, they cannot all be implemented but all will be considered. I have two things for members to ponder. If a special dinner is planned for Saturday night, would members mind purchasing the meal. It would maybe at most cost \$10 per person. Also, do you think you could find a few minutes to either call me with a message or send me a quick e-mail, RSVP'ing on your attendance to Spring Meet? It would greatly help if I knew how many people would be attending, including kids. It seems that the amount of kids attending has lessened in the past few years. It would be so helpful to have some sort of idea as to how many are planning on attending. It makes it very difficult to plan food now knowing how many hungry members we will be feeding. We will have the usual casting contests, Smokey the Bear, awesome raffle tables and the always enjoyable Saturday night dance with a DJ. There are some new ideas being pondered which should be very interesting. We also have our annual meeting on Saturday afternoon at which time we ask members to take one hour from their weekend schedule to attend. This is really not much to ask considering this your club. This club belongs to you the members and this annual meeting is the time that you can show how proud you are to be members by attending the meeting. As always, I am only a phone call or e-mail away. Please feel free to contact me at anytime.

Wendy Bowles, Vice President thefisherwoman@comcast.net 508-367-3017

Chairman of the Board Report

I would like to start this report by saying I hope all of you enjoyed your holidays, and that all is well with you and your families. I want to wish you all a happy, healthy, safe and productive New Year. I am also honored to have been again voted in as the Chairman of the MBBA Board of Directors. With that, I want to ask all of you to continue to your support the MBBA with your effort and generosity.

This is the MBBA's 60th year and we need to recognize this milestone for our organization. We will soon be busy with Sportsman Shows, Board of Directors Meetings, Conservation Projects, Access Committee, and planning the Spring Meet. The work we face this year will involve lots of time and will continue have a financial impact on our General and Legal funds. As you renew your membership, and plan on how you can volunteer over the next few weeks and months, think of this.

Our Executive Vice President, Rudy Sawyer is looking for members to help with the Sportsman Shows, and Vice President, Wendy Bowles will need help with the Spring Meet. Before we know it we will be out on the beaches for the Conservation Projects. Let's all chip in to help Peter and all of the MBBA beach Reps. Make the projects productive and successful.

The MBBA needs you now more than ever, so step up and participate. You can start by attending the monthly Board of Directors Meetings. They are the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:30pm at the Lakeville Lions Club, Staples Shore Rd. Lakeville MA.

Directions to the Lakeville Lions Club:

From North:

Take 495 South to Route 105 in Lakeville.

At the end of the ramp bear right and continue on Route 105 for a mile or so and then begin looking for the Lakeville Lions Club sign on the left. At the sign go left on Staples Shore road and as the road curves right, in front of the club, take a left into the parking lot for the club.

From south:

Take Route 25 (495 North) to Route 105 in Lakeville. At the bottom of the ramp (facing McGee Chevrolet) take a left on Route 105 and follow 105 for a mile or so and begin looking on your left for the sign for the Lakeville Lions Club. At the sign go left on Staples Shore Road, and as the road curves right, take a left into the parking lot for the

Vic Medeiros, Board of Directors Chairman

BEACH REPORTS:

Sandy Neck Beach, Barnstable, MA

The beach is still there, however, it has taken a beating! There is no more slope up to the dunes, it is now all a sheer cliff the entire length of the beach. Lots more stones (rocks) have showed up, yippee!!! Hopefully this is just a winter beach and come spring time, it will change for the better.

The staff is in the process of removing the old "submarine net" from the dune in front of the old trail 1. That thing has been around since 1974. Lots of us remember when it was installed to help save the end of the dune from flooding tides.

The plans to redo the existing bathhouse are on the move again. Nina will start the permitting process and hopefully by Memorial Day of 2011, we will have a new building. It must stay to the same footprint but it will be bigger overall as the garage will be moved to a new building at the gatehouse. It will have a small picnic area and playground as well as outdoor showers. The plans look real nice so we can only hope all goes well.

Current stickers are valid until April 15. Just a reminder that sticker fees have increased. Residents went from \$70 to \$75, Sandwich residents from \$105 to \$115 and non-residents from \$140 to \$150.

Don't forget to check out the new website sandyneckbeachpark.com. Feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

For conservation and access,

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Plymouth Beach, Plymouth, MA

As you know Plymouth is closed. The beach did have some erosion and looks from a distance to have lost about 20 yards of beach at the point.

Chris Cully, Beach Rep.

Scusset Beach Report

140 Scusset Beach Road, Sagamore Beach, MA 02562

Park Office (508) 888-0859, Reservations (877) 422-6762, www.reserveamerica.com

There isn't too much to report for December. The beach didn't have any problems with the past storms that we had. I spoke with Uncle Bob 01/12. John has expressed an interest with the MBBA helping with the removal of the board walk in the fall. He said camping exchange could be worked out. The Campground is open for winter camping Thursday thru Sunday. Hope all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Chip and Bob, **Beach Reps**

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Cape Cod National Seashore, Provincetown, MA

Off road information line: 508-487-3698, General information line: 508-487-2100, extension 110

Web site: www.nps.gov/caco

The beach is closed for the season, special access permits can be obtained at Race Point subject to times & tides, please call ahead first before driving down.

The sticker fees will remain the same for 2010, and no reservations are required for July 4th or Labor day.

Peter Murray, Race Point Beach Rep.

Membership Secretary Report

Happy New Year!

I'm very excited about representing the MBBA as the new Membership Secretary. I've been busy processing the renewals that have been sent to me so far. Please be reminded that your renewals must be received no later than March 15, 2010 to ensure your name(s) will be included in the 2010 60th edition Handbook. If you do not want your name printed in the handbook, please make a note of that on your renewal form.

Please remember to drop me a note or e-mail me at MBBA1721@comcast.net if you have a change of address, or if you notice that any portion of your address is incorrect. It's very important that the mailing records are accurate to ensure information is sent to you in a timely manner.

As a reminder, if you get rid of your vehicle or camper, please remove your MBBA stickers.

Warm Regards,

Vikki Conboy, Membership Secretary

Conservation and Dune Management

We had a good year last year and accomplished many things during the projects, we hope you will take the time to come out and volunteer some time for our beaches this spring. The projects are one of the few things we do as a club other than the Banquet and Spring meet and it's a great time to meet and talk with people from other beaches. Our New fall project at Race Point was a tremendous success and we will do one this year also. Also in the plans is a fall project at Scusset date to be announced. Please mark your calendars, pack up the family and come on out to help, it really is a wonderful experience.

2010 Conservation Projects

April 10 Duxbury Beach

April 11 Plymouth Beach

Because of a last minute change with DCR there are no more dates to post yet

Peter Murray, Chairman

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 7th

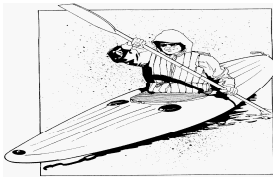
MBBA Monthly meeting

January 24th & 25th

Standish Show, East Bridgewater

February 4th

MBBA Monthly Meeting



SPORTSMEN!

COME ON DOWN TO
**THE 31ST ANNUAL SOUTHEASTERN
 MASSACHUSETTS SPORTSMAN'S SHOW**
 PRESENTED BY THE
**STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S
 ASSOCIATION**

Saturday, January 23rd, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, January 24th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Hosting Over 40 Dealers & Exhibitors Including:

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| After the Shot Taxidermy | Fisherman's Line | Young Marines | Rebecca's Taxidermy |
| Allan | GOAL | Mass. Fisheries & Wildlife | Ross MacVicar |
| B&D Enterprises | Tom Hammond | Mass. Marine Fisheries | S & K Collectables |
| Berwick Marine | Hart Taxidermy | Mass. Sportsman's Council | Seaborne Fishing Charters |
| Mass Hunting Education | Holbrook Sportsmans | MBBA | Stoney Acres Sports |
| DeSantis Chevrolet | Hot Jigs | On Target Training | Sun Court Ent. |
| DGS Inc | Hunter Trading Post Ltd. | P&S Weapons | Trapper |
| Environmental Police | Jem-Enterprises | Plymouth County League | Trout Unlimited |
| Falmouth Fishermans Assoc. | Lakeside Silver | Powder Keg | V.F.W.Post #2125 |
| Frank Carroll Fine Arts | Liotec Environmental | Mass. Striped Bass Assoc | NE Reptile&Raptor Exhibits |
| Richard Watkins, Author | | | Winterwood Retrievers |

Admission is \$7 for adults and \$1 for children (\$1 off with this flyer)

Hunting and Fishing Licenses Available for Purchase

www.standishsportsmans.com



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