RULES FOR 4-LEGGED FAMILY MEMBERS BENEFIT EVERYONE

Many dog owners love their animals as if they were a child or grandchild, but just as there are rules to keep children safe, there also are rules to keep four-legged family members out of harm's way – and that means not letting any dog run free, habitually bark, be aggressive or get into mischief.

Even the best-trained and most well-behaved dogs are required by Dare County Ordinance 91 to be walked on a leash, not allowed to run free. When walking a pet on leash, be sure and pick up your pet's waste. The community's streets are used by walkers, joggers, cyclists and others, and no resident wants to have to clean up after someone else's dog.

Complying with Dare County's laws isn't only good for your pet; it's also the neighborly thing to do – and it's mandated in the community's covenants, which are in place for the safety of all residents and guests.

The community's covenants also require that pet owners be considerate neighbors and keep their dog from habitually or repeatedly barking. Some dog owners are unaware that their beloved family pet whines or barks incessantly while they're away from home. If no one tells them, they can't do anything about it, but confronting a neighbor can be an uncomfortable situation. No one wants to complain, but it's natural to want relax in one's own home.

Nuisance noise from a dog is generally defined as barking, yelping or whining for more than 5 minutes in any 1-hour period. Excessive barking is barking that is persistent and occurs for an extended period or on a repeated basis. Experts say if a barking dog has a negative effect on an individual's sleep, concentration, relaxation, etc., it's best to try and work out a good solution with the dog's owner. Assume your neighbor is unaware of the problem, and the next time you see him or her outside, ask politely if the neighbor can spare a moment of their time to discuss an issue. Explain the situation in a tone that is respectful. Be civil, yet firm. Most considerate neighbors will do their best to accommodate you right away. CONTINUED NEXT PAGE



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If the problem isn't resolved within a reasonable time, contact the Colington Harbour Association office in writing to file a complaint.

Complaint forms are available in the office, 1000 Colington Drive, during regular office hours (9-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays from May 31-Labor Day). Complaints also can be sent by email to CovenantEnforcement@ colingtonharbour.net.

The Association's Director of Compliance, Pat McGowan, will notify the offending neighbor in writing of the complaint and advise the neighbor that Dare County Animal Control may be notified, however, it is incumbent upon the complaining party to issue a formal complaint with Dare County.

Dare County provides all animal-related services including:

- Animal welfare complaints or concerns
- Animal cruelty investigation and charges
- Public nuisance issues
- Animal to human bites
- Calls regarding injured or stray dogs or cats.

To reach Dare County Animal Services, call 252-475-5620.



STEADY AS SHE GOES

by Cristina Garey of Maritime Realty

According to local statistics, Colington Harbour is enjoying an active and stable real estate market: 2015, signaled the end of recession market values in Colington, with a 12 percent increase from 2014. Then in 2016, the Median Sale Price of \$234,500, was a 2 percent decline compared with the 2015 Median Sale Price: \$239,000. Currently in March of 2017, the median sale price is back up to \$242,700, a 3 percent increase from 2016.

One step back, two steps forward. Also indicative of our healthy market is the steady increase of Units Sold data. Despite fluctuations in values over the last several years, and the fact that lot sales continue to be sluggish, we have had a constant increase in the number of Units Sold.

Year:	Units Sold:	Median Sale Price
2013:	77	\$215,000
2014:	84	\$214,000
2015:	114	\$239,000
2016:	122	\$234,500
2017:	14 YTD	\$242,700

I'll take steady over boom, any day.

Sources: Outer Banks Association of REALTORS Multiple Listing Service, National Association of REALTORS News Releases



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COLINGTON COMMUNITY WATCH: KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

Community watch starts with you knowing your neighbors, and them knowing about you. Participating in community watch does not mean that you are involving yourself in another's business. It means that you are observant by knowing what is usual. It is then easy to tell what is not usual.

As an example, you know that a house in your area is a rental and that it is usually empty this time of the year.

What would you do if you see activity there late one night?

Answer: Call the Dare County Sheriff's Office to investigate.

What would you do if you see a couple with several teenage children and a boat arrive at the house this summer?

Answer: Create an opportunity to say 'Hi,' let them know you know the neighborhood, and wish them a happy and safe vacation!

Sometimes just that brief contact will deter a crime, if not call the Dare County Sheriff's Office to investigate.

A GOOD NEIGHBOR CHECKLIST:

- Your neighbor's emergency contact numbers.
- Who is normally in the house mother, father and two children, others? What are their ages?
- What is their daily routine?
- What cars do they drive?
- When is the house vacant like during working hours or vacations?
- Who just moved into the neighborhood? Are they owners, renters, or vacationers?
- Have you said 'Hi?'

Remember that the goal of Community Watch is to give potential criminals the feeling that everyone in the community is watching for suspicious activity in their neighborhood, thanks for your help!



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2017 COLINGTON YOUTH SAILING PROGRAM BEGINS IN JULY

Ahoy, mateys! Youth Sailing Program offered in The Colington Yacht Club (CYC) will again sponsor a Youth Sailing Program this summer.

The U.S. Sail instructional program is open to youths ages 8 to 15. (Children who turn 8 during the camp time must wait until next year.) Youth will receive guidance from certified instructors supported by many adult volunteers. They will sail



in our Optimist, Sunfish and Topaz boats and have opportunities to participate in a regatta.

The Optimist sailboat is designed for children and youth. If the sailor has experience and is able, with training, to right a capsized Sunfish or Topaz sailboat, he or she may practice their sailing skills with our larger vessels if they desire. Sailors will receive dock-side instruction and hands-on sailing experience, progressing to solo sailing when they are ready.

The total program cost is \$100 per child. CYC offers the entire program for such a low-cost as a service to the families of Colington Harbour. Participants need not be a member of CYC to enroll.

An application/consent form and a medical form are required to be submitted by parents. Forms are available on the website, colingtonyachtclub.com under the "Youth Sailing" tab.

Registration opened on March 1. Registration is complete when your check is received. Space is limited. Please submit the registration as soon as possible; the program has filled up within a few weeks of the application being available.

The Youth Sailing Camp is at the Colington Harbour boat ramp from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings beginning July 3, 2017. The course ends on Thursday, July 27, 2017. There will be a regatta on the last weekend of July.

Sailors need to bring their own life jacket and wear suitable clothing for sailing. Instruction will be given about appropriate protection.

For more information, please contact Al Douglass at aid1945@yahoo.com or 215-605-7312 (cell).





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WRITE FOR THE HARBOUR HEADLINES

We are looking for a few people to write articles about community events, interests,

school happenings; you name it. If you are interested in writing articles, or just have an idea on topics you would like to see more of, please send an email with the proposed article and/or topics to:

chamanager@colingtonharbour.net.

Please keep in mind that articles must be fact–based to be considered for the newsletter. This is not an appropriate venue for personal opinions or political statements.

INCREASED RADAR ENFORCEMENT OF SPEED LIMIT

Based upon numerous requests from Harbour residents (as posted on the CHA website), it is apparent that enforcement of the speed limit within our community is a continuing concern. In response, the Sheriff's department has increased radar patrols in the Harbour. This action is intended to ensure the safety of our children, walkers, cyclists, and other residents of the Harbour. Please obey the Harbour speed limit.





BOATERS: USE PUMPOUT STATIONS!

Boating and swimming in the Harbour and Sound is a favorite past time for many residents within the Harbour. To keep our waters clean, boaters are reminded that they must use pumpout stations to discharge all onboard waste. It is highly illegal to discharge any effluent directly into either the Harbour or the surrounding Sound area, and such activity can not only result in beach closures, but also significant fines. Please do the right thing when boating this year.





COLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Play it safe with flammables

It looks as though Mother Nature was nice to us this year with a relatively mild winter. As temperatures begin to rise and our lawns and gardens once again need attention, countless gardeners will begin hauling out their lawnmowers and rototillers. To ensure that this summer's yard chores will be free of accidents, a few timely precautions should be observed.

Equipment Safety:

Be cautious when fueling and using power mowers. Never refuel garden tractors, lawnmowers, rototillers, etc. while the motor is running. Always fill gas-powered equipment outside, never inside the garage, and never in the presence of a source of ignition such as open flame, a lit cigarette, etc. Remember that gasoline and petroleum product vapors are heavier than air and will seek lower levels.

General Rules:

Never store flammable liquids such as lawnmower fuel, Coleman fuel, charcoal lighter fluids, etc. in glass or breakable containers. If plastic containers are used, make sure they are approved for the storage of flammable liquids. Otherwise, use metal flammable liquid containers, preferably safety cans. Storing flammable liquids within the residence (including the garage) is not recommended. If, however, it is necessary, it should be limited to the garage only, and should be limited in quantities not to exceed those necessary for normal use (lawnmowers, etc.)

Open Burning:

Open burning rules and regulations can be a little confusing. While there are a few categories of outdoor

fires, we are focusing on two main types that we typically see in Colington:Open Burning of leaves and vegetation and Recreational fires. In either situation, fire safety is a priority and is the responsibility of the property owner or resident. At no time may you burn trash, furniture, processed wood, cardboard, etc. Nothing may be burned except natural vegetation.

Open burning of leaves and vegetation requires a permit from the fire department. There is no cost for the permit. Open burning of yard debris, leaves and vegetation should only be done between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firefighters will issue permits on-site and inspect the area and materials to be burned. You must have a water source, rake or shovel and be with the open burn at all times. Burn barrels are best, but if you don't have one available, please ensure the area in which you are burning is away from structures and other combustibles. Permits may be denied or revoked for unsafe burning or due to unfavorable weather conditions. Keep fires at least 20 feet away from structures or other combustible items. When not using a barrel, please keep piles small (less than 3 feet wide by 2 feet tall). You may be held liable for damage resulting from a careless fire, including damage to structures or woods and grasses. Be safe!

To obtain an open burning permit, call the fire station at (252) 441-6234 between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm. Permits may be issued for up to 4 days.

Recreational fires are defined by the North Carolina Fire Prevention Code as fires for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes. A permit is not required, but fire safety is the responsibility of the property owner or resident. There is no restriction on the diameter of logs. Remember, you may be



held liable for damage resulting from a careless fire, including damage to structures or woods and grasses. But remember, at no time may you burn trash, furniture, processed wood, cardboard, etc. Nothing may be burned except natural vegetation.

And Finally:

Your fire department responded to **643** calls in 2016. It is the second busiest year we've ever had. Check us out at www.colingtonfd.com for great fire and life safety information, news and coming events.

Congratulations to Firefighter of the Year Trever Tilley and Volunteer of the Year Jim Norrell! Both men were recognized at the department's annual awards banquet in March.

COLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOU!

Want to help even more? The Colington Volunteer Fire Department has openings for Volunteer Firefighters. As the name implies, the department relies heavily on people volunteering their time and effort to help keep our community safe, and Volunteers play an essential role in response to emergencies and daily operation of the station. Firefighting is not all "guts and glory". Being a firefighter requires hard work and determination. It requires the physical and mental ability to respond to all types of emergencies, under all types of conditions.

You must be at least 18 years old and willing to serve your fellow citizens as a firefighter, the Colington Volunteer Fire Department is looking for you. Previous experience is not necessary. Training and equipment are provided free of charge, and all firefighters are covered by Workers Comp insurance. All firefighters must have a valid NC Drivers License, High School Diploma or G.E.D. or be currently enrolled in school.

If you believe you have what it takes to be a firefighter, please call or stop by the Colington Volunteer Fire Department and pick up an application. We'll show you around, and discuss how you can help your community. Department training is held on the first three Tuesdays of the month, and other specialized training is available. We also have a need for Support Group members. These dedicated individuals help the department "behind the scenes" with fundraisers and other fun, safe activities. So if you want to help, but don't like the idea of running into a burning building, the Support Group may be for you. Call us at 441-6234, or look us up online at www.colingtonfd.com for more information.

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