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HARBOUR HEADLINES

COLINGTON HARBOUR, NORTH CAROLINA

COLINGTON HARBOUR UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT



As you may have heard, Village Realty began managing the Colington Harbour Association on July 1. We would like to introduce the new property manager Karl Kniffin. A transplant from the West coast of California, he spent a lot of his life in Northern Virginia where he grounded his background in property management and real estate. He and his wife moved to the Outer Banks to live the dream in 2013. They started a family here and have two beautiful daughters.

Village Realty has been managing property owners associations on the Outer Banks since 1993. They currently manage 55 property owners associations in Dare, Currituck and Hyde counties. Village Realty prides itself on exceptional customer service and our staff looks forward to developing a long and successful relationship with the owners in Colington Harbour.

NO WAKE/NO BOAT AREA

Summer is in full swing and that means more traffic along our waterways. When utilizing these areas please keep in mind that Colington Harbour has rules in place to keep our residents, guests, and property safe.

Please keep in mind that all our canals, including our entrance channel, are no wake zones. We have had some complaints of boaters and jet skiers running through the Harbour and causing problems and damage because of their wake. If you observe a watercraft violating this regulation and can get the registration of the watercraft causing the



If You Own a Boat or Jet Ski, Please Follow the Rules.

wake or operating dangerously please call the **NC Marine Patrol** and report the information to them. The numbers to reach them at are **252-726-7021** or **1-800-682-2632**.

You can also call the **NC Wildlife Commission Division of Enforcement** at **1-800-662-7137** and report the incident to them.

Also important to remember is that boats or jet skis are not allowed within 300 feet of the beach. We have had reports of jet skis running up on the beach at the sound side park. This is not allowed and violators will be prosecuted. If you own a boat or Jet Ski, please follow the rules. If you rent your property to someone that owns a boat or jet ski, please ask them to follow the rules as well.

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Monday – Saturday 11am – 7pm
Sunday – Noon – 7pm

YOGA HOURS Tuesdays & Thursdays at the Clubhouse – 5:30pm

WATER AEROBICS Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays – 10am to 11am throughout the summer

WATER ZUMBA Mondays – 7pm to 8pm & Thursdays from 10am – 11am throughout the summer

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Our next community yard sale will be held on September 26th. For those new to our yearly yard sales these yard sales are strictly for Harbour residents and no advertising is allowed outside the Harbour.

COMMUNITY WATCH MEETINGS

The next meeting is September 10th at 7pm at the Colington Harbour Clubhouse. The program needs commitment to be successful, and is recruiting committee participants! Remember to report suspicious behavior to Dare County Sheriff's Department at 252-473-3444 or 911 for emergencies. Keep your doors locked! Contact admin@colingtonharbour.net for more info.

MAINTENANCE YARD FEES & SERVICES Dare County is now charging the Association \$65/a ton for the commercial bins that are in the Maintenance Yard, so unfortunately we have had to change the fees charged. The discretion of maintenance yard staff will determine if fees differ due to weight and load. Please don't take any frustrations you may have on this out on our maintenance staff, and if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the Association office at (252) 441-5886.

- SUMMER HOURS: Tuesday 11am – 2pm & Saturday 8am – 2pm
- Miscellaneous Materials = \$5.00 a load
- Full sized pickup truck load = \$10.00 a load
- Materials with trailer, exceeding truck sized load = \$15.00 a load

We now offer *ON-SITE PICKUP* to all Colington Harbour residents in good standing for a minimum fee of \$25. Contact CHA Maintenance Manager, John Kottas at (252) 441-4026 at the Maintenance shop for info.

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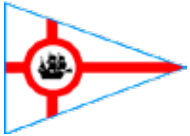
COLINGTON HARBOUR JUNIOR SAILING

The Colington Yacht Club (CYC) sponsored a Youth Sailing Program that was attended by 32 students this July.

Witnessing a young sailor learn and grow makes it all so worthwhile. This is a US Sail instructional program is co-directed by our very own US Sail Certified Instructors, Al Douglass and Allen Norton. They are supported by the Colington Yacht Club Board and membership and other volunteers from the community. Many of the great parents help as well. Local businesses help support these efforts as well. A silent auction at CYC's Change of Watch Dinner helps raise the funds to buy new or used boats. Besides Optimist Sailing Dinghies and Sunfish, multi sail Topaz are now used.



Thank You for including this event, The 2015 CYC Youth Regatta, in the Harbour Headlines and look for the registration forms on ColingtonYachtClub.com early spring.



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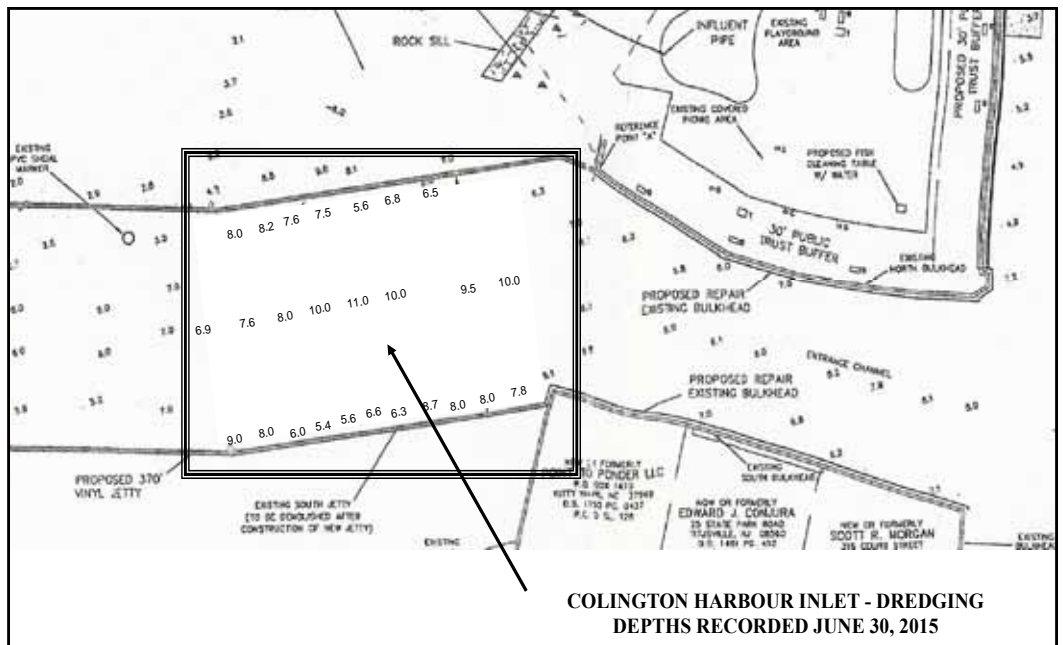


COLINGTON INLET DREDGING COMPLETED

The Colington Harbour Association is happy to report that emergency dredging of the inlet channel is now complete. The graphic below represents Colington Harbour Inlet dredging depths recorded June 30th, 2015, showing soundings mid-channel and approximately 8" from both new jetties. These depths were graciously recorded by Steve Ornstein, Dennis Donaldson and Bob Burk.

Additionally, the association recently received reimbursement for a portion of the storm damage repair, dredging and jetty extension costs from the state grant administered by Dare County and applied for by the 2012 CHA Board. A special thank you goes out to the Board, its then President Ken Pagurek and former Treasurer John Collins who followed up on the grant over the ensuing three years with Jenny Gray Jones the Dare County Project Manager for Waterways and Grants.

Likewise, a special thank you goes out not only to Jenny but also the 2012 Dare County Board of Commissioners; Warren Judge – Chairman, Richard Johnson, Allen



Burrus, Virginia Tillett, Max Dutton, Jack Shea and Robert Woodard as well as the 2015 Board of Commissioners; Robert Woodard – Chairman, Wally Overman, Warren Judge, Jack Shea, Allen Burrus, Beverly Boswell and Margarette Umphlett.

This concerted effort helped us recover from the damages caused by Hurricane Irene and enabled us to complete the jetty extension. Thank you for your cooperation during the closure of the inlet. *Please remember to always be safe and alert on the water, Happy Boating!*





THE CVFD ANNUAL FUND DRIVE IS NOW UNDERWAY

Property owners in Colington should have received our annual fund drive letter. This fund drive has become a vital part of our ability to provide quality fire and life safety services to the community. Just one example of what good comes from this fund drive is that we were able to replace both of our old, non-compliant Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) with two new, up to date models. These are proven life savers.

We would like to thank everyone that has had an opportunity to assist us in our efforts. If you haven't heard of our fund drive but would like to help, please send your donations to the Colington Volunteer Fire Department, 108 Schoolhouse Road, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948. You may call our office at (252) 441-6234 to find out more. Your help is greatly appreciated!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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. From the hottest, most humid days of summer to the coldest, most bleak days of winter, you will be called upon to serve this community to the highest standards. Do you have what it takes?

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. From folks new to the com-

munity, to life-long Colington area residents, if you've got the time to dedicate to your community we'd love to have 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 Driver's 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. Just call or stop by the station for more information. And remember:

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NEW LAW REQUIRES MOPED DRIVERS TO REGISTER VEHICLES, PAY FEES

Quickly passing are the days when unlicensed drivers can hop on an unregistered moped and zoom 30 mph down the road. A new bill signed into law Wednesday requires moped drivers to register their scooters and pay the same fees as motorcyclists starting July 1, and other restrictions may be just down the road.

The new law does not mandate that drivers be licensed to operate a motor vehicle, but owners will have to fork out \$40 for a title and at least \$15 to register their scooters and get a license plate from the N.C. Department of Motor Vehicles. The popularity of mopeds soared with the climb of gas prices. Drivers of cars with 12-gallon tanks pay at least \$40 to fill up in Hendersonville today. Moped drivers can fill up with \$4 to \$10 at the pump and drive, on average, at least three times as far with their fuel. The Department of Motor Vehicles estimates 17,000 mopeds operate on North Carolina streets today.

Under current statutes, anyone over the age of 16 can hop on a moped without a license and drive on the state's roadways as long as they wear a motorcycle helmet and as long as the mopeds don't have the capability to exceed 30 mph on a level surface, according to the Division of Motor Vehicles.

A woman was taken to the hospital with head injuries on Sept. 11 when her moped was struck by a motorcyclist in front of Dollar General on Chimney Rock Road. On Dec. 13, 25-year-old Travis Staton of Hendersonville was traveling east on U.S. Highway 64 when a sport utility vehicle pulled out in front of him around 8 a.m. on Dec. 13. Staton was seriously injured and rushed to Mission Hospital, where he died of his injuries nine days later.

Jose Case suffered non-life-threatening injuries when an SUV plowed into his scooter June 6 at the intersection of Seventh Avenue and Church Street. And 24-year-old Christopher "Adam" Jackson of Saluda was driving west down Spartanburg Highway on his way to work on the morning of July 16 when he was struck by a car. He died of his injuries three days later.

By Reach Weaver



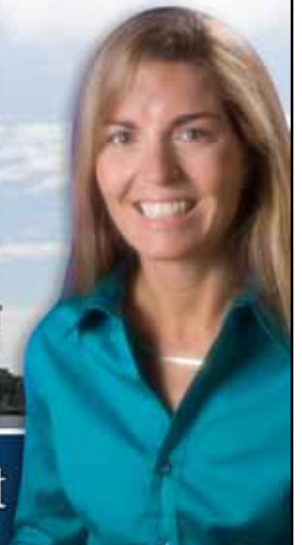
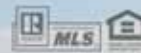
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GRILL SAFELY THIS SUMMER

With warm weather, there are a few risks that come along with it. An area of concern for firefighters is grill safety.

Grilling is a great way to prepare your favorite foods, however you should always use caution when using your outdoor grill. The CVFD hopes you'll consider the following safety tips:

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills must only be used outdoors. If used indoors, or in any enclosed spaces such as tents, they pose both a fire hazard and the risk of exposing occupants to toxic gases and potential asphyxiation.
- Position the grill well away from siding, deck railing, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Place the grill a safe distance from lawn games, play areas, and foot traffic.
- Keep children and pets from the grill area: declare a three-foot "safe zone" around the grill.
- Put out several long-handled grilling tools to give the chef plenty of clearance from heat and flames when cooking.
- Periodically remove grease or fat buildup in trays below the grill so it cannot be ignited by a hot grill.

When using charcoal grills, Purchase the proper starter fluid and store out of reach of children and away from heat sources. Never add charcoal starter fluid when coals or kindling have already been ignited, and never use any flammable or combustible liquid other than charcoal starter fluid to get the fire going.

When using gas grills, Check the propane cylinder hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. A light soap and water solution applied to the hose will reveal escaping propane quickly by releasing bubbles. If you determined your grill has a gas leak by smell or the soapy bubble test and there is no flame:



- Turn off the propane tank and grill.
- If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again.
- If the leak does not stop, call the fire department.

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