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HARBOUR HEADLINES

COLINGTON HARBOUR, NORTH CAROLINA

PLEASE KEEP OUR CANALS CLEAN!

With the busy summer season here, please be respectful of our beautiful canals and waterways in the Harbour. Please do not use them to dispose of any type of trash, including: food, grass or shrubbery clippings, pet feces, or debris of any kind. Thank you!



SUMMER SEASON - FRONT GATE

With the summer season upon us, many people will be having visitors. Our gate welcomes thousands of visitors on a daily basis. Whether family or friends, it is up to you, as the home owner or tenant, to inform the gate that you will be having visitors. This will help the gate to run more efficiently and relieve a lot of the tension between the visitor and guard personnel, if they feel they are welcome when they arrive. Contact the gate, at 252-441-5430.



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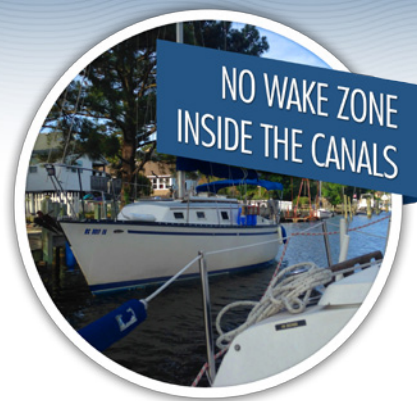
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NO-WAKE ZONES FOR BOATS

All canals and inlets within Colington Harbour are governed by no-wake ordinances. This is to prevent accidents to swimmers and

damage to boats and bulkheads. By maritime law, boaters are responsible for damage caused by their wake. Any wake higher than about four inches is excessive, and requires the boat to slow down.

Boating regulations are enforced in the Harbour and costly citations will be issued based upon verified complaints. Check your wake periodically while boating to ensure compliance. The no-wake ordinance begins at the entrance to the Harbour at the double-set of lights and day markers, and extends inside to all inlets and canals.



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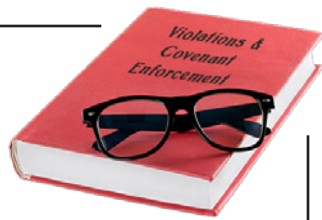
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ARTICLE 5 – ENFORCEMENT OF COVENANTS

Violations of our restrictive covenants may result in fines or suspension of community services.



A complete list of our covenants is available in our office or online at www.colingtonharbour.net

- Speed limit is 25 mph throughout the Harbour.
- No trash or debris can be placed curbside.
- Grass is to be regularly maintained.
- If you do not have a bar code on your vehicle, you must stop at the gate, using the left lane.

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Tuesdays – 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
Saturdays – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

CELEBRATE SAFELY

The Fourth of July is traditionally a time to celebrate with fireworks. While they are spectacular to watch and/or hold, they **ARE NOT PERMITTED IN COLINGTON HARBOUR (OR DARE COUNTY) AT ANY TIME.**

For the safety of all residents and guests, the community's covenants strictly prohibit 'fireworks, firecrackers or similar devices, which create explosive sounds or explosions or potential fire hazards or noise disturbance across a property boundary or public space when fired into the air or on the ground.'

(Ordinance 7, Section 3)

You'll find the best fireworks and other Fourth of July events below. Go early to secure a good spot!

This year the Outer Banks has 5 fireworks displays:

Corolla - Whalehead Club
Town of Kill Devil Hills - Avalon Fishing Pier
Town of Nags Head - Nags Head Fishing Pier
Town of Manteo - Manteo Waterfront
Avon - Avon Pier

The following beach accesses are recommended for fireworks viewing:

SOUTH OF NAGS HEAD PIER
Curlew Street
Hollowell Street
Conch Street

NORTH OF NAGS HEAD PIER
Bladen Street
Bittern Street
Bonnett Street
Barnes Street
Blackman Street

Jockeys Ridge State Park will stay open late on July 4 to accommodate holiday traffic. This is another great spot for viewing the fireworks.

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COLINGTON HARBOUR YACHT & RACQUET CLUB

A big thanks to all involved in making our 50th anniversary celebration so special! It was a great turnout of many members, and a chance to welcome new ones. Congrats to April Gizzi, winner of the Free CHY&RC Membership for 2019!

Summer is now in full swing! Hope that you are enjoying the wonderful CHY&RC pool and facilities.

POOL HOURS

11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Saturday

11:00 am – 8:00 pm

Fridays

Noon – 7:00 pm

Sundays

Friday Burger Nights are back!

Burgers - \$4; Hot dogs - \$3. Includes all fixings, chips and beverage from 6:00-7:00 pm.

Water Aerobics Monday - Friday at 10:00 am.

Reminder: Guests must be visitors, and may not be residents of Colington Harbour.

Yoga Classes Clubhouse (*fee based on attendance*)

5:30 pm – Monday & Thursday

Tennis Courts are available to members and guests. You can buy a key at the CHA office for \$3.00, or pick up a loaner key at the pool. Check out our Facebook Page or watch our bulletin board at the Harbour exit for info on our social hours and dinners.

CONTACTS:

Membership Questions: Fran Collins – 252-480-0955

Clubhouse Rentals - Jane Wirth -252-305-2153

Forms & other information about rentals can be found at www.chyrc.org

COLINGTON YACHT CLUB BLESSING OF THE FLEET 2018

39 Vessels Join the Harbor Parade to Be Blessed

At noon, on a perfect Memorial Day Weekend Saturday in Colington Harbour, a record number of boats and their crews turned out in hopes of a safe and happy season with the Grace of God. Anyone monitoring VHF Channel 68, heard the introduction of Reverend Teresa Holloway, of Colington United Methodist Church, by U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary member, Holton Bond. The Reverend led all in honoring America's fallen service members, and invited all to hear a special prayer and scripture reading, blessing those who venture forth on the sea.

The order of the lineup, as in previous years, was: sailboats, large powerboats, followed by smaller powerboats, and even kayaks. For safety's sake, vessels remained in the staging area of Tartan Inlet, and were led out by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary boat. They then circled the harbor, passed the pontoon, received the pastor's blessing, and returned down Tartan Inlet. Later, complimentary vessel checks were offered by the Auxiliary, and only kind suggestions were offered for any missing safety equipment.

Find more photos and specific instructions for next year at ColingtonYachtClub.com. Photo credits - JC Falconer





COLINGTON YOUTH SAILING 2018

New this year*

Ages: 10-16* (*changed from 8-15 years old*)

Dates of Program

Please note: No classes in the first week of July

Monday, July 9 through Thursday, August 2
9:00-11:30 AM

Classes meet Monday through Thursday

Cost: \$100.00 per child

SKILLS

Students must be swimmers and pass a swim test on first day. Fee will be returned for any youth who fails this test.

For the more experienced sailors, we will concentrate on honing sailing skills and racing techniques.

For novices, we concentrate on teaching basic sailing skills, tying knots, learning Optimist Sailing Dinghy's rigs, and building confidence.

REGATTAS

Colington Youth Regatta, August 4, 2018

All students will receive necessary Race Start instruction and more.

Manteo Regatta, July 28, 2018

Date to be verified. We assume there will be a Manteo Regatta. Sailors who wish to take part are supported by staff who assist, including the transport of boats and rigs to Manteo.

The ASSA Colington Regatta, Saturday, September 22, 2018 (Albemarle Sound Sailing Association)

For details: www.colingtonyachtclub.com

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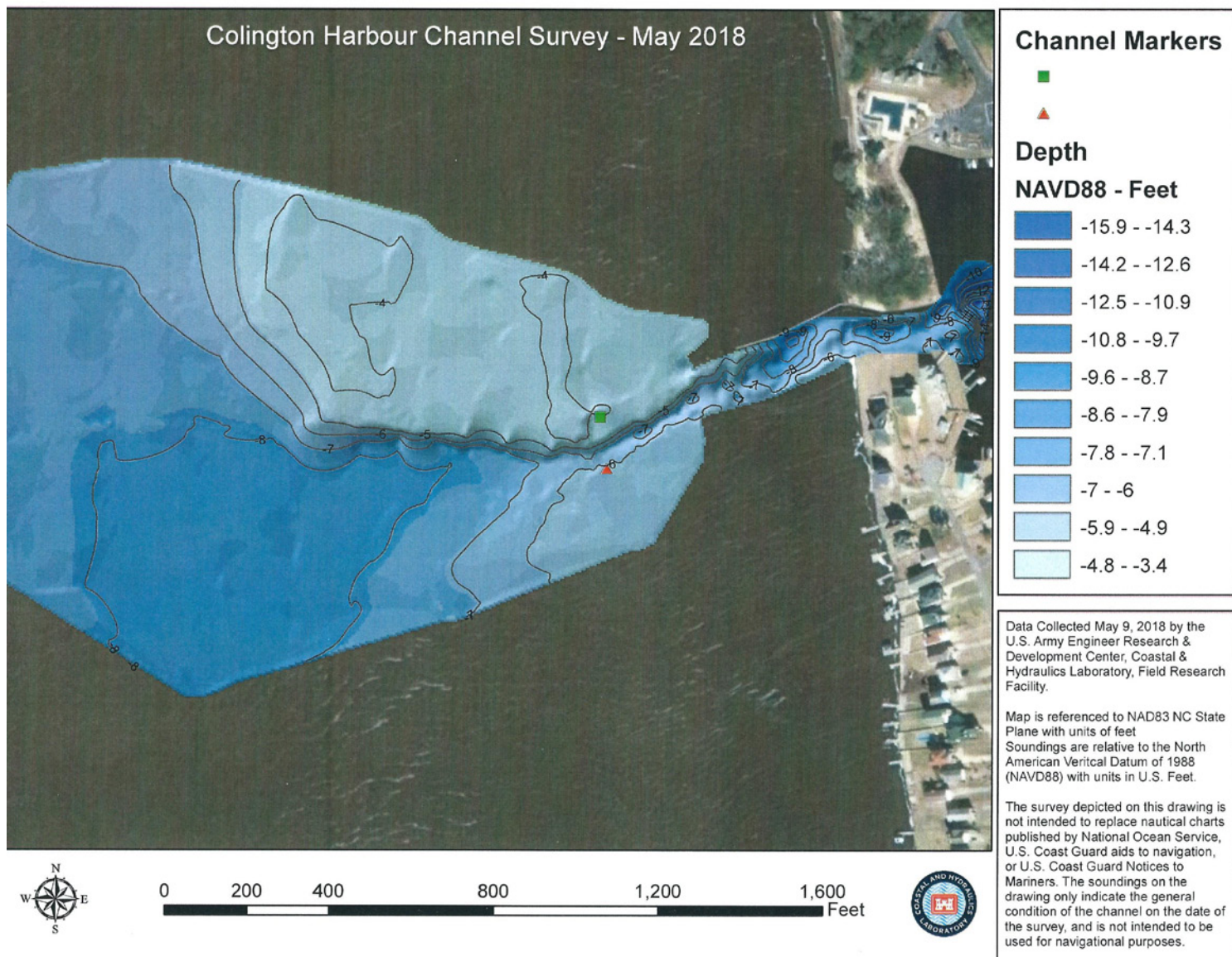
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COLINGTON INLET DEPTHS

May 2018 soundings of the Colington harbor inlet. Thanks to the CHA Inlet Committee for arranging the updated study.

LOST & FOUND Lost & Found Baskets are located at the guard gate and CHA Office. Items held for 90 days.

FUTURE ARTICLES/ANNOUNCEMENTS NEEDED FOR HARBOUR HEADLINES

We need your help to include future articles, photos, information, etc. about life in Colington Harbour and the surrounding area. Please send your submissions to: colingtonadmin@colingtonharbour.net

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COLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Grill Safety In this issue of Harbour Headlines, the CVFD is focusing on grill fires. While not as prevalent locally, grill fires are a serious threat to life and property.

Seven out of every 10 adults in the U.S. have a grill or smoker, which translates to a lot of tasty meals. But it also means there's an increased risk of home fires.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, July is the peak month for grill fires. And roughly half of grill related injuries are burns. The leading causes of grill fires were: a failure to clean, having the grill too close to something that could catch fire, and leaving the grill unattended. In 2011 – 2015, fire departments went to an annual average of 9,600 home fires involving grills, hibachis or barbecues per year, including 4,100 structure fires and 5,500 outside or unclassified fires. Consider this:

- 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. Many folks are surprised at how fast vinyl siding can melt from a hot grill that is too close.
- 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.
- If you are using a gas grill and the flame goes out, turn the grill and the gas off, then wait at least five minutes to re-light. LP Gas is heavier than air, so it can quickly collect in the bottom of a 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.

Be safe and enjoy your grilling!

More Volunteer Firefighters Needed. Did you know that your fire department relies on volunteers? Despite the improved response rating the department recently received, active Volunteers are still needed. Even though we have a small force of career firefighters on duty, we are always looking for folks interested in becoming trained as firefighters. We work with you to ensure you get the training you need.

Honestly, fighting fire isn't for everybody. In fact, it is a very physical job. Think you have what it takes? If you are 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 community, 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, good driving record, High School Diploma or G.E.D. or be currently enrolled in school.

What if there was an emergency, and no one came? Stop by the station to pick up an application and see how you can become a valued member of your local fire department.

Annual Fundraiser in Full Swing. Our annual mail-out fundraiser is in full swing. Hopefully as a property owner you are familiar with this. For those new to the community, or aren't yet a property owner, we rely on fundraisers, including weekly Bingo, to update equipment, make new purchases for items like uniforms for Volunteers, replace furniture and other household type items as needed without impacting our operating budget too often. Past purchases included defibrillators, breathing apparatus for firefighters, rescue boat equipment and even computers for incident reporting and record keeping.

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