

Frye Island News Service

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Important Information

Town of Frye Island

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Frye Island, ME 04071
Phone: 207-655-4551
Fax: 207-655-3422
Email: office@fryeisland.com
Web site: www.fryeisland.com
Town Manager: Wayne Fournier

Office Hours

Tuesday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Sunday & Monday: Closed

Code Enforcement Officer (Paul White)

Tuesday mornings and Thursdays 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
and by appointment on other days. For an appointment
call 207-650-4817.

Fire, Medical, or Police Emergencies – Call 911

Non-emergencies

Frye Island Police: 207-655-2600
Email: wilgetm@maine.rr.com
Fire Department: 207-655-8618

Frye Island News Service

Editor: Lisa Kerrigan
Email: lkerrigan@fryeisland.com
Submission deadline:
Wednesday, 3:00 PM - **No Exceptions**

Phone Books

There are still a number of Verizon Portland Area phone
books located in the post office. Please help yourself.

Transfer Station

Low Season Operating Hours

Saturday: 10 AM - 3 PM
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 PM
Holiday weekends: Closed Sundays, open Mondays
8 AM – 12 noon

During low season the Transfer Station can be open on
closed days by appointment only, Monday through
Friday, between 8am to 3pm.

To set up a Transfer Station opening please call the
Public Works Garage at 655-7493 or the office at
655-4551 (please try to call the day before)

Thank you,

Your Public Works Department

Frye's Leap General Store & Café

655-4256

It's great to be back on the island, seeing old friends and new faces – we are looking forward to another great season. The opening date and hours for the general store will be as follows:



General Store Hours

Saturday, May 20th (opens)	8AM – 7PM
Sunday, May 21st	8AM – 6PM
Monday, May 22nd	9AM – 2PM
Tuesday, May 23rd	9AM – 2PM
Wednesday, May 24th	9AM – 2PM
Thursday, May 25th	9AM – 2PM
Friday, May 26th	9AM – 9PM

Frye's Leap Café

Frye's Leap Café will be opening Friday, May 26th for weekends only until full season hours commence on Friday, June 23rd.



Town News

Island Manager's Comments

Greetings Everyone,

If this is your first visit to the Island this year, welcome back. Some of the information in these comments is repeated from previous FINS for the benefit of those who haven't been here this year.

Long Beach Marina & Quail Circle Canal: The docks at the Long Beach Marina have been installed. We have also reassigned some of the slips which are posted at the Marina and on our website. Both Long Beach Marina and Quail Circle are full and we have waiting lists for both sites so if you do not plan to renew your rental slip, please call the office so that we can reassign your slip to someone on the waiting list. The fees for 2006 are as follows:

- Marina Equity Slips \$225.00
- Marina Rental \$900.00 *
- Quail Circle \$200.00

*Slips 63, 65, 67, 69, 71 & 73 at Long Beach Marina are extra wide slips and will be charged an additional \$100.00 annual rental fee in accordance with the approved Yacht Club Policy.

Remember that your Yacht Club fees must be paid by the time the office closes on Wednesday May 31st or you could lose your spot.

If you are installing a dock at Quail Circle, please make sure you install it correctly so that it doesn't infringe upon your neighbors space.

Lake Levels: The recent rains have certainly been excessive for many people but it has been beneficial for the lake. The level has increased from an abnormally low level, for this time of year, of 263ft, 9 inches to a level of 265 ft, ½ inch. On May 19th last year, the lake level was at an elevation of 266 ft, 3 inches. The higher level now should make things a little better in the fall.

Ferry: We had a near miss on the ferry this week when the driver of a box truck inadvertently had his truck in reverse when he was supposed to be leaving the ferry. He wound up backing into a CMP pick-up truck. Luckily, he responded to the situation quickly enough to minimize the damage to the pick-up. However, it reinforces the need to pay attention when driving on and off the ferry. The box truck could have easily pushed the pick-up right off the ferry had the driver not responded as quickly as he did.

Golf Cart Safety: The State of Maine requires that a person must have a valid driver's license to drive a golf

cart on Frye Island roads. The fact that an individual has a valid drivers license indicates that the driver has had some driver safety training and should be responsible enough to drive safely. A lot of Islanders are quite upset with this law but it is the law and we will enforce it.

A news story that I heard this week from the State of Michigan reinforces this need. It's reported that a 9 year old was driving a golf cart and struck a 75 year old woman. The woman died and now the father of the child is being prosecuted for allowing the 9 year old to drive the golf cart. Let's all learn something from this tragic event and act responsibly enough to prevent a similar tragedy on Frye Island.

Fire Works: It is that time of year again to start thinking about the fireworks display for the 4th of July. Many Islanders are donating to the fire works display in memory of Don Nolen. If you would like to do so, please let the office know when you make your donation. A bench at the Fire Station will be dedicated in Don's memory during the 4th of July activities.

SAD #6: We have initiated a law suit in the Superior Court for Cumberland County challenging the constitutionality of the legislative action that denies the Town of Frye Island the opportunity to withdraw from a school district; a right that all other communities in Maine have as defined by the State Constitution. In addition, we challenge the exemption applied by legislative action that prevents the Town of Frye Island from using the student population as part of the formula for determining the amount of taxes to be paid to support education. **The Town has stated on many occasions, including at the last town meeting, that it is not the intention of this law suit to NOT pay toward the education of Maine students, but only to be treated as all other communities in the State are.** SAD 6 has filed a motion to intervene in this law suit even though our complaint is with the State of Maine. The court has agreed to allow their intervention. Our attorneys are now preparing documents for the Court.

I have received the school tax allocation for the 2006 / 2007 fiscal year from SAD 6. Frye Island's State valuation increased from \$69,200,000 in 2004 to \$90,600,000 in 2005. This will result in an increase in our local share of the school tax from 4.22% to 4.80% which in turn results in an increase of \$82, 466.38. This means that our school tax bill for 2006 / 2007 will increase from \$735,719 to \$818,185.

If this isn't bad enough, we already know that the State valuation for next year is over \$111,000,000. Very

basically, the State valuation is based on the “fair market value” of improved property (property with a dwelling) and is determined by an audit of the selling price of improved property sold on the Island during the selling period which is usually from July 1st of one year to June 30th of the next. With a similar school budget in 2007 / 2008, our school tax bill could be almost \$1,000,000.

Public Hearings: There will be 2 public hearings to discuss the future of the Growth Management Ordinance. The first will be held on Saturday May 27th, at 9:00 AM at the Community Center. The second will be held on Saturday June 17th, same time, same place. It seems the options being discussed are to modify the way the process is administered from an ever increasing waiting list to some type of an annual lottery, to issue a certain number of permits each year on a first come first served basis, or to rescind the ordinance all together. If you have an opinion and would like to comment please attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend either of them, drop me an e-mail at wfourmier@fryeisland.com and I will see that the Board gets it.

There will also be a public hearing / presentation of the SAD #6 budget on Saturday May 27th at 11:00 AM in the Administration Building.

Voting: There will be a state-wide Primary Election on Tuesday June 13th. The Frye Island polls will be open from 10:00AM until 8:00 PM at the Community Center. There will also be a vote at the same time on the SAD #6 budget. All Frye Island registered voters will be able to vote on the SAD 6 budget. In addition, all registered voters enrolled in the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or the Green / Independent party will be able to cast primary ballots for candidates in their respective parties. Sample ballots are posted at the Administration Office for your review. If you have any questions on the School or the Primary elections please call the office.

We also need volunteers to help at the polls during the day on the 13th and to count ballots after the polls close. If you would like to help out please call the office for more details and to sign up.

Thanks, and have a safe week!

Wayne

Handicap Parking

We now have a designated handicap parking spot located directly in front of the town office bulletin board.

Planning Board News

The Planning Board must update the Town’s Comprehensive Plan, this year. The sections to be worked on include (in no particular order): Resident survey, Housing, Land Use, Water, Economics, Fiscal Capacity, Facilities and Services, Fire, Rescue, Police, Disaster and Emergency Planning, Recreation, Agriculture and Forestry, and Transportation. Please let any member of the Planning Board (or the office) know if you are available and interested in working in any of these areas. Although surrounding Towns have hired consultants (at \$30,000 - \$50,000) to do this, ours was done completely by volunteers. This is a separate committee, appointed by the Planning Board. Please volunteer.

The Planning Board needs one more member. Please let me or any member of the Planning Board (or the office) know, if you are interested. The BIT Executive Committee, which does the appointing, is developing a form to be filled out by interested parties.

The next Planning Board meeting will be June 17, at 8:30 am in the Community Center. The public is urged to attend.

Thanks, Marge Hommel, Chair, Town of Frye Island Planning Board

Board of Selectmen / Executive Committee

**Saturday, May 20, 2006 at 8:00a
Community Center**

Zoning Board of Appeals

Meeting Notice

**Friday, May 26, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.
Community Center**

AGENDA:

1. Minutes of last meeting.
2. Approve the following meeting dates for the year 2006:

May 26, 2006
June 23, 2006
July 21, 2006
August 25, 2006
September 22, 2006
October 6, 2006

3. Selection of Chairperson and Secretary for 2006.

4. Adjourn.

Public Hearings

There will be two Public Hearings on Saturday May 27th

9:00a to discuss amending the Growth Management Ordinance at the Community Center and

11:00a to discuss the school budget, this will be presented by SAD-6 at the Admin. Bldg.

Attention All Frye Island Yacht Club Members

The Frye Island Marina Committee will hold it's first meeting of the season on Sunday, May 28, 2006, at 10:30 AM at the Community Center.

Some of the Agenda items will include:

- Election of Officers
- Capital Improvement Plan
- Goals for the current season

Any Yacht Club member who has an issue or concern that they would like the Marina Committee to address can attend the meeting or correspond to Dave Bond at fryeislandguy@verizon.net or Tim McCarthy, Marina Committee Chairman, at 655-3058.

All interested Islanders and Yacht Club Members are encouraged to attend.

Public Hearing

Saturday, June 17, 2006, at 9:00 AM

Community Center

Discuss amending the Growth Management Ordinance.

Frye Island Yacht Club Policy

There is a one-time Membership Fee of \$300.00. The first installment is payable when a slip assignment is requested, and the second and third installments are payable annually once a Slip Assignment has been made. If you are not familiar with this policy it can be found on our web site.

Renting your slip:

Annually Renewable and General Rental Slips may not be rented to or used by persons other than the owner or the owner's family, except that the slip may be used by a renter or guest while occupying the owner's house with the owner's written permission and provided a use sticker is obtained from the office with an expiration date.

Equity Rights Slip Holders may rent their slips in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the **Yacht Club Policy**. It is the renters responsibility to obtain a Sticker from the office for the slip with written permission from the slip owner. Slip owners can

advertise their slips for rent on the Frye Island web page and on the Town Office Bulletin Board.

Parking at Quail Circle

The two areas in front of Quail Circle are intended to be (5) minute pickup and drop off. Parking for Quail is at Quail Circle, please park in the intended area when using your boat.

Public Works Department

Garage phone: 207-655-7493

Director: John Crosby

Transfer Station gates will be fully closed and locked when the Transfer Station is not attended, this requirement is Maine State law. Fees will be charged for some items. Bagged household trash and sorted recyclable may be deposited at no charge. Please stop at the Public Works building or at the Transfer Station when open for a fee schedule. All fees and operating rules were approved by the 2004 October Town Meeting after several public hearings.

Please note that if you are inside the Transfer Station gates when the gates are locked and the attendant is not present you are TRESSPASSING, the Frye Island Police Department will take notice and appropriate action will be taken. Also if you leave trash or other items (littering) in front of the gate or over the gate, or household trash in town maintained trash barrels you will be caught and prosecuted to fullest extent of the law \$150.00 fine. (State law).

RECYCLING FACT

Recycling reduces the amount of raw materials and energy used during production. Every glass bottle recycled saves enough energy to light a 15 -watt energy-efficient light bulb for 24 hours, and there is a saving of raw materials too- sand, limestone, and soda ash.

Sebago Lake Water Level

Just how much rain does it take to raise the water in the lake to the current level in the last 9 days.

The details are below, and they put things into a bit of perspective.

The surface area of Sebago Lake is 47 square miles (per PWD)

That's 1,310,284,800 square feet

Given a 0.75 foot increase in lake level in last 9 days (per the USGS gauge) That's 982,713,600 cubic feet of water At 7.480519481 gallons per cubic foot That's 7,351,208,229 gallons of rain added to the lake which represents a 0.7% percentage increase in water in the lake, as the lake holds 995 billion gallons of water, on average.

Chip McCarty

1214 Birch Circle



Leisure Lounge

Fairway Lane (next to the golf pro shop)

655-3551

Open to the Public

Hours: (before Memorial Day weekend)

Monday - Thursday: Closed

Friday - Saturday: 9:00 AM – Midnight

Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5 PM



Enjoy satellite reception on our 42" plasma TV.

Full Bar

Beer, Wine, Mixed Drinks

\$3.00 Root Beer Floats

Complimentary Coffee

Snacks

\$5.00 Pizza

\$1.00 Hot Dogs

Complimentary Popcorn



Roast Pork Dinner

Sunday, May 28th

Cocktails 5:00 pm

Dinner 6:00 pm

Space is limited, sign up at the clubhouse



Ferry News

655-4258

This Week's Ferry Schedule

	First Ferry	Second Ferry
Saturday	7 AM - 11 PM	
Sunday	7 AM - 9 PM	12 PM-8 PM
Monday	7 AM - 7 PM	7 AM-9 AM 3 PM-5 PM
Tuesday	7 AM - 9 PM	7 AM-9 AM 3 PM-5 PM
Wednesday	7 AM - 7 PM	7 AM-9 AM 3 PM-5 PM
Thursday	7 AM - 11 PM	7 AM-9 AM 3 PM-5 PM
Friday	7 AM - 12 Mid	7 AM – 9 AM 2 PM – 8 PM

Frye Island Ferry Service

Please pick up a new 2006-ferry schedule at the office or the ferry trailer, and note any changes. Also, remember that the second ferry LEAVES THE ISLAND at 7 am Monday through Friday.

WE WANT YOUR INPUT

Please direct any ferry complaints, suggestions or compliments to John Crosby at 655-7493 or at fidpw@pivot.net

Ferry Tickets

We have been asking all our residents to please include on the back portion of your tickets (the section the ticket agents collect) – Property Owner Name and Lot #.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The ferry service is looking for a few good islanders to work as deck crew, boat captains or captains in training. Earn valuable ferry passes while helping your community. If interested call John Crosby at 655-7493 or email at fidpw@pivot.net

Are You On Time?

Did you miss the boat by seconds? Don't get mad, check the outside clock on the end of the ferry trailer, the ferry service strives to be an "on time" service and departs according to the "radio controlled" clock on the trailer. If the ferry is still within the slipway and the boat deck can accept an additional vehicle, without rearranging said vehicles, the captain will return to load you (this does not apply when two boats are running).

Contractors

The ferry will allow commercial vehicles to use the ferry during pre and post season weekends, (with some restrictions). Please get a new ferry schedule that lists these restrictions.

Remember that concrete trucks and oversize loads need to have prior clearance or they must wait until they can be transported without "bumping off of the ferry a property owner". Call the office to make arrangements.

Let us have a great season and thanks for your anticipated cooperation



Fire Department

Fire Barn: 207-655-8618

Open Fires

Open fires in a screened enclosure designed for such use or in a chimenea are permitted under the following conditions:

- The device must be used only on an acceptable permit-required burn day within the state. (A permit will not be necessary to use the device, but it can only be used on a day on which burning is allowed.) The Forest Service determines the class day every morning. They broadcast this information over the radio to notify all the fire departments. We get this information over our portable radios. In addition local fire departments like Raymond, give out this information in their morning radio announcement. They give class day and whether or not permits will be issued. If conditions are extremely dry or if there are high winds, there probably will be no permits issued. A call to the Raymond Fire Department dispatcher or asking one of our own members should give you the answer.
- The device must stand on sand or dirt in a wide-open area to prevent any spread of fire.

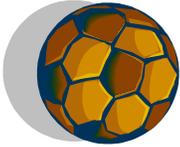
- The device must be placed away from any structure and **cannot** be situated on a porch, deck, or other similar area.
- The device must be continuously monitored by an adult.
- A fire hose or bucket of water must be nearby.

I don't know how many of these devices are on the Island. Many people have inquired whether they are permitted and I have explained the above conditions to them. At first I did issue a burning permit, as there is no open burning on the island - for obvious reasons. Campfires are **not** permitted; nor is any burning of slash, leaves, branches, or tree trunks.

Anyone using one of these devices accepts **full responsibility** for their actions if a mishap occurs.

The fire department has the authority to extinguish any fire that constitutes a hazard.

Steve Persson
Fire Chief



Activities & Recreation

Recreation Chairperson: Andrea Sansonetti

Community Center Hours

The Community Center is closed until Memorial Day Weekend.

Annual Plant Sale

Saturday, May 27th

9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

Old Fire Barn – Next To Post Office

Annuals—Perennials—Herbs

Delicious baked goods

Yes folks - it's that time again!!! Time for our annual Memorial Day weekend plant sale!!! We hope to make this the biggest and best one yet.

Also, if you have any wonderful items for us to raffle - it would be greatly appreciated. So far, our list for raffle includes a gothic cathedral birdhouse, which can be seen at the office. We also have a \$25.00 gift certificate from Plainview farms and assorted other "goodies" so, come on down!!!

Plants can be dropped off on Friday afternoon or after 8:00 am on Saturday. Please label with name and growing conditions.

Baked goods can be dropped off on Saturday morning after 8:00 am.

There will also be a Plant Sale Organization Meeting 9:30a @ CC – All are welcome.

Book Group 2006

The following titles will be read and discussed in 2006:

- "The Kite Runner" by K.Hosseini
- "Disgrace" by J.M.Coetzee
- "State of Fear" by M.Crichton
- "A Walk in the Woods" by B.Bryson

Frye Island Chapel

2006 SEASON: 5-28-06 THROUGH 10-08-06

Chaplains for the 2006 season are:

Rev. Richard Petersen, Phd. and Rev. Ted Ekholm

Weekly non-denominational religious services are held at the Community Center every Sunday from 9:00 to 9:30 AM through October. All are welcome! Dress is casual. Guest Chaplains: Rev. Ted Ekholm and Rev. Richard Petersen.

Boat Building and Racing Contest

This is the 4th year!!! Frye Island families will again have a chance to show their boat designing, building and racing skills when they enter the 2006 4th of July contest at Recreation Beach.

Open to residents of Frye Island and their extended families – At least one of the boat builders must be a child 16 years of age or under.

Hancock Lumber and Red Mill are among the lumber companies who will provide the materials. Each team will receive the same materials:

- 2 sheets of ¼ inch lauan plywood, 4' x 8'
- 4 8 foot long 2 x 4's
- 1 pound 3 penny galvanized nails
- 4 tubes construction adhesive

Only these materials can be used to build the boat. Your own paint or decorations (or cloth if you make a sailboat) may be added.

Teams may pick up their supplies on the Island on Saturday, June 24 at the old firebarn next to the Post Office. The finished boats will be judged a week later and families will race their boats after the judging.

Judges will make awards for such things as best construction, originality, painting, creativity, sleekness, patriotism, etc. Every team is a winner!!!

For a registration form, call Mary Deming, 655-4133. A \$30 fee is required when registering with the form. \$25 will be returned when you enter your boat on the 4th of July weekend for judging and the race.

New this Year! Tony Torra, contractor and winner, with his son, of the construction award and speed races in the 2005 contest, has offered to teach a boat building seminar. June 24. All families registered are welcome to attend and pick up some pointers from Tony.

Teams will be accepted in the order they are registered.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 - Deadline For Registering

SATURDAY JUNE 24 - Pick Up Materials – Old Fire Barn

SATURDAY JUNE 24 - 3:00pm Boat Building Seminar 1888 Ridge Road

SUNDAY JULY 2 - 1:00pm Boat Judging And Races Recreation Beach



Frye Island Golf Club

655-3551

Open to the Public

Fairway Lane

Hours (before Memorial Day weekend)

Monday - Thursday: clubhouse closed
(any applicable green fees will be collected by greens keeper)

Friday - Saturday: 9:00 AM - Dusk

Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

(Weather permitting)

Tee times are highly recommended, especially on the weekends.

Greens Fees

Weekday: \$18.00

Weekend and Holidays: \$30.00

Twilight (after 5 PM): \$13.00

Weekday Youth (16 and under): \$10.00

3-day weekday pass: \$45.00

Week-long unlimited golf pass: \$100.00

Cart Rentals

Gas Cart:

9 Holes: \$16.00

18 Holes: \$26.00

Pull Cart:

9 or 18 Holes: \$4.00

Club Rentals: \$12.00

Memberships are now due

If you are interested in becoming a member, come by the clubhouse to join.

Family membership: \$810.00

Single membership: \$540.00

Sunday Morning Scramble

Every Sunday morning, sign up at 8:30, tee off at 9:00

Pro Shop

Come to the Pro Shop for all of your golfing needs. We also have an assortment of hats, jackets, and shirts.

Tentative Tournament Schedule for 2006

June 24-25	June Invitational
July 1	Steak & Hot Dog
June-August	Club Championship
July 29	Night Golf
August 5	Rally for a Cure
August 19-20	Member/Guest
September 2	President's Cup
September 8-10	Sebago Lake Escape
September 30	Shoot Out
October 8	October's Best

Ryder Cup Golf Tournament

Sunday, May 28

10:30 am - Rules Overview

10:45 am - Tee Times

Cost: \$10.00 Members

\$10.00 Non Members plus green fee

Format:

18 hole- 2 person Ryder Cup (teams sign up together)

Holes 1-6 Scramble

Holes 7-12 Best Ball

Holes 13-18 Alternate Shot (after both tee off)

Net score uses 40% of combined handicap

Closest to the Pin On #4 and #8

Women play front tees

Men play silver on front nine and gold on back 9

Tie-breaker: Match cards starting with first hole

Sign up by noon Friday, May 26 in person or phone the club @ (207) 655-3551.

Every Sunday morning-sign up at 8:30, tee off at 9:00

Sunday, May 14th Scramble Results

1st Place - \$10.00 each:

Bruce Nisula

Harry Holgersen

Roger Stenz

Closest to the Pin - \$6.00

Mike Clerc

May 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 9:00a BOS/EC @ Admin. Bldg.
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 8:30a Planning Board Mtg @ CC
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 8:00a BOS/EC @ CC 9:30a Plant Sale Organization Meeting @ CC
21	22	23	24	25	26 Zoning Board of Appeals 7:00p @ CC	27 9:00a Public Hearing – “Growth Management Ordinance” @ CC 9:00a – 1:00p Annual Plant Sale @ Old Fire Barn 11:00a Public Hearing – School Budget presented by SAD-6 @ Admin. Bldg.
28 10:30a Yacht Club Mtg @ CC	29	30	31			