

Frye Island News Service 2009 - Winter Edition and Annual Report

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Important Information

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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

John Thompson
Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Fire, Medical, or Police Emergencies – Call 911

Non-emergencies

Frye Island Police: (207-655-2600)
Police Chief: Rod Beaulieu

Fire Department: 207-655-8618
Fire Chief: Steve Persson

Municipal Officers

John Nun First Selectman
Mark Thomas..... Selectman
James Kuiken..... Selectman
Joseph Potts Treasurer

BIT Representatives:

Bruce Nisula.....Chair
Bob Miner
Joe Potts
David Bond

Public Works Department

Phone: 207-655-7493
Director: John Crosby

Transfer Station Operating Hours

Saturday: 10 AM - 3 PM
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 PM
Holiday weekends: Monday, 12 noon - 5 PM
Closed Sunday

If you need access to the Transfer Station Monday through Friday (8 AM - 3 PM), please call the Public Works Garage and leave a message. (Advance notice is greatly appreciated.) We will need your name and Island phone number.

Frye Island News Service

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Representative to Legislature

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Town News

Island Manager's Comments

Greetings Everyone,

It is that time of year again when we start thinking about Frye Island. As usual, this time of year, there is still ice on the lake and snow on the Island. In addition, almost three quarters of the Island is without power, thanks to a winter storm that dumped close to 2 feet of heavy wet snow on the Island. However, that being said, we are still cautiously optimistic that we will open as scheduled on Friday April 24th but again, we will have to depend on Mother Nature to help. We will schedule Central Maine Power Co. for repairs as soon as we can safely get to the Island. I will keep you posted via e-mail and our web site. If calling the office is your only option for information, you can call, but, please keep in mind that as we approach the opening date there will be a lot of work going on. We need to get the water on, the roads open and the office moved. So, if someone doesn't get to the phone immediately, please be patient. We will try to keep a status report on the answering machine.

The 2008 season was an interesting season to say the least. A combination of the slowing economy, rising fuel costs, and poor weather during May and June kept the activity on the Island to its lowest level in quite a while. Thankfully, the weather improved for the week of July 4th and we had a bright sunny weekend to celebrate the 10th birthday of the Town of Frye Island.

By the end of July, projections indicated that the ferry revenues would fall about \$20,000 short of expenses, primarily because of the elevated costs of fuel and it was decided to add a surcharge to the cost of the ferry tickets. This raised about \$30,000 in additional revenue and with this increase and the reduction in fuel costs we actually realized an excess of approximately \$20,000 by the end of the season.

Also in July, we got the new budget from SAD 6 which was almost \$47,000 higher than we budgeted. In addition, the County tax was \$2,700 more than budgeted. Just briefly.....SAD 6 fiscal year runs from July 1st through June 30th where Frye Island follows the calendar year. When we prepare our annual budget, we know the first 6 months of the SAD 6 payments but we have to estimate the last 6 months. To the school districts credit, they typically do a reasonable job with the budget but they are greatly influenced by the State. The less the State contributes to the operation of the school system, the more local taxes have to pick up the slack. We originally thought this increase in the school

and county budgets would push our expenses \$40,000 over the approved budget amount but thanks to everyone's help we were able to limit this overage to approximately \$5,000. This was accomplished by holding the line on the approved expenses in other areas of the operating budget.

I imagine that most of you have heard of the many break-ins on the Island this winter. Again I would like to thank Ken Thurston, Eric Berube, and Paul Kimball from the Public Works Crew and volunteers Dave Bond and Tom "Cappy" Capobianco for their efforts in battling the cold and the snow to secure all of the properties that were broken into. In addition, Chief Beaulieu has spent countless hours investigating the break-ins and working with local law enforcement agencies and the State forensics lab to solve the case. The work continues but Chief Beaulieu is cautiously optimistic that the solution will come. He has provided his own report later in this issue.

As a result of the break-ins, we are considering holding a public meeting this summer to discuss possible surveillance equipment to be used during the off season. Anyone with experience in this area is certainly welcome to provide input.

I would like to remind everyone that the minutes of all of the Selectmen / Executive Committee meetings are on line. These include the Manager's report which provides more detail on the issues and projects.

I would like to thank all Island employees for stepping up to the plate last season and in the off season to make the Island the special place that it is.

I would also like to thank all of the volunteers that work many thankless hours providing the services we have become accustomed to.

Finally, and not at all in the least, I would like to thank all Islanders for their understanding and cooperation as 2008 proved to be quite challenging.

I hope everyone has had a great winter and let's hope that fuel prices are more stable, the economy improves and the weather is warm and sunny throughout the 2009 summer season.

| Town Clerks Report | | |
|--|----------------|------|
| Town Clerk | Wayne Fournier | |
| Deputy Town Clerk | Lisa Kerrigan | |
| The Town Clerk reports the following activity for 2008 | | |
| Activity | Number | |
| | 2007 | 2008 |
| Excise Tax Only | 1 | 1 |
| Passenger Cars registered | 30 | 45 |
| Island Use Vehicles | 240 | 242 |
| Trailer Registrations | 35 | 50 |
| Moped Registrations | 3 | 1 |
| Motorcycle Registrations | 1 | 1 |
| Motor Home Registrations | 1 | 1 |
| Titles | 7 | 7 |
| Fishing Licenses | 92 | 75 |
| Boat Registrations | 300 | 272 |
| Non-Resident Milfoil Stickers | 118 | 117 |
| ATV Registrations | 5 | 5 |
| Marriage Licenses | 0 | 1 |
| Death Certificates | 0 | 2 |
| Dog Licenses | 1 | 0 |

| Registrar of Voters Report | |
|---|----------------|
| Registrar of Voters | Wayne Fournier |
| Deputy Registrar of Voters | Lisa Kerrigan |
| The Town of Frye Island has 95 registered voters enrolled as follows: | |
| Democrat | 19 |
| Green | 12 |
| Republican | 28 |
| Unenrolled | 41 |
| Total | 100 |

Tax Collectors Report

Tax Collector – Wayne Fournier, Deputy Tax Collector – Calvin Nutting

Outstanding Taxes

Tax Year: 1998-1 To
2008-1

| Acct | Owner | Year | Original Tax | Payment / Adjustments | Amount Due |
|------|-----------------------------------|------|--------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 484 | ALLEN, HELEN | 2007 | 1,682.69 | 0.00 | 1,682.69 |
| 484 | ALLEN, HELEN | 2008 | 1,767.47 | 0.00 | 1,767.47 |
| 412 | AMATO, GREGORY | 2008 | 707.67 | 0.00 | 707.67 |
| 365 | ANTIGNANI, STEPHEN R. | 2008 | 187.64 | 154.12 | 33.52 |
| 320 | BRISTOL, SALLY A. | 2007 | 1,471.82 | 0.00 | 1,471.82 |
| 320 | BRISTOL, SALLY A. | 2008 | 2,754.35 | 0.00 | 2,754.35 |
| 311 | BUXTON, RICHARD / NANCY | 2008 | 329.88 | 0.00 | 329.88 |
| 107 | KEANE, CHRISTOPHER & MURDOCK LIND | 2007 | 219.90 | 181.24 | 38.66 |
| 107 | KEANE, CHRISTOPHER & MURDOCK LIND | 2008 | 425.06 | 0.00 | 425.06 |
| 741 | MESSERVEY, AMBROSE H | 2008 | 4,199.72 | 289.04 | 3,910.68 |
| 704 | MOSES, JAMES P. | 2007 | 321.99 | 0.00 | 321.99 |
| 704 | MOSES, JAMES P. | 2008 | 345.41 | 0.00 | 345.41 |
| 503 | NOONAN, THOMAS / JANE | 2008 | 148.71 | 0.00 | 148.71 |
| 689 | PARASILITI, CLAIRE | 2007 | 74.75 | 55.90 | 18.85 |
| 689 | PARASILITI, CLAIRE | 2008 | 88.98 | 0.00 | 88.98 |
| 281 | RICHARD, PAUL B | 2008 | 2,837.89 | 0.00 | 2,837.89 |
| 441 | RIVARD, RICHARD | 2008 | 40.46 | 0.00 | 40.46 |
| 602 | TSOPANIDES, RENA | 2008 | 2,524.34 | 1,249.34 | 1,275.00 |
| 332 | VEINOT, JAN ELLEN | 2008 | 143.22 | 113.47 | 29.75 |
| 645 | YULE, LANCE S. | 2008 | 142.24 | 0.00 | 142.24 |
| 738 | YULE, LANCE S. | 2008 | 548.10 | 0.00 | 548.10 |
| 272 | ZINCK, TRACEY | 2008 | 423.12 | 35.94 | 387.18 |

Selectmen's Report

2008 was a good year on Frye Island. In spite of a long, cool, wet spring, summer showed up in time for a glorious 4th of July with a great fireworks display and a grand 10th Anniversary parade and celebration. The golf course, thanks to a lot of hard work by Jim Hodge and a lot of volunteers, has never looked better. Occasional cookouts, conducted by more volunteers led by Paul Lyons, catered to capacity crowds. The Golf Club also raised enough money to start the kitchen & bathroom renovation next spring. The South Beach Marina was fully built out with the addition of 17 slips, of which 10 were designed specifically for Personal Water Craft. Quail Circle gained channel/hazard markers to guide those less familiar with the entrance and, again thanks to some hardworking volunteers and the DPW, got a much needed facelift. The Community Center also took on a new look with a new TV, paint and carpet in the Chapel, and new vinyl siding and paint on the exterior.

We started the long awaited replacement of the water distribution system. The first increment, along High Point from Sunset to Birch and Ridge, was buried in the road by DPW, a few volunteers and Jeff Snow on the backhoe. Cottages along that stretch will be connected during the spring opening in 2009. Unfortunately, the electronics in the new water pumping and treatment plants took some damaging hits during late summer and fall thunder storms. John Crosby and crew were able to keep water flowing and changes were made to hopefully make the electronics less vulnerable. Fortunately, insurance paid for most of the repairs and changes.

The ferries continued to provide stellar service with a cost increase due to the high costs of fuel, especially in the first half of the season. While there were breakdowns, they were not crippling and lines for the ferries were few. Wayne, John and the ferry crews worked hard and were able to end the season with a small profit in the Reserves due mostly to decreases in the cost of fuel late in the season.

Even though the Town voted for an additional \$40,000 to cover drastic (21.3%) increase in the SAD-6 2008

costs Wayne was able to hold the line on enough other costs so that the majority of the \$40,000 remains in Town Reserves.

The Town voters approved a budget for 2009 that essentially holds the line on Town operating costs but we again took big hits from SAD-6 and Cumberland County to the tune of an average increase in taxes of \$306 for inland cottages and \$682 for waterfront cottages.

Jimmy Kuiken was elected to serve as Selectman for a three year term to replace Phil Perry whose term had expired. Joe Potts was re-elected to the Board of Island Trustees and Dave Bond was elected to the BIT to replace Debbie Anthony whose term had expired, both for three year terms.

We added a new Police Chief, Rod Beaulieu, along with his four part-time assistants this year, and they have proved to be real assets to the town.

We would like to thank Wayne and all the town employees who worked very hard to provide the services that make life on Frye Island so wonderful. We would like to thank those who volunteer their time and talents to serve quietly on the many Boards and Committees and Island projects. We encourage all Frye Island residents to join us in a mutual effort to improve our Town (and hold down costs in the process). There are many available openings that have to be filled each year and, if you are interested in serving the Town of Frye Island, please make it known to one of the Selectmen or the Town Manager. Thank you for allowing us to serve you, looking forward to seeing all of you this spring,

John Nun – First Selectman

Mark Thomas

Jimmy Kuiken

Treasurer's Report

The information in Table 1 summarizes the Revenue & Expenses of the Town for 2008. It was a tough year for the Town Operations, because the expenses for the school (SAD6) and county in the last six months of the fiscal year were significantly higher than budgeted. At the October 2008 Town Meeting, the Voters authorized taking up to \$40,000 from the Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance to cover the forecasted annual loss. Because of good management by Town Manager Wayne Fournier, expenses in other departments were reduced below budget. The result is only a fraction of the authorized amount will be used.

Table 1. Town Revenue & Expenses – Year End 2008

| Department | Actual | Budget | Remaining |
|---|----------------|---------------|------------------|
| Town Operations | | | |
| 01 - General Government | | | |
| Revenue | 2,003,224 | 2,018,056 | (14,832) |
| Expenses | 391,522 | 415,959 | 24,437 |
| 05 - Public Works (Water, Roads and Trash) | | | |
| Revenue | 23,949 | 16,000 | 7,949 |
| Expenses | 406,055 | 425,771 | 19,716 |
| 15 - Public Safety (Police, Fire and Emergency) | | | |
| Expenses | 78,033 | 78,710 | 678 |
| 20 - Recreation | | | |
| Revenue | 241 | 400 | (159) |
| Expenses | 27,960 | 37,558 | 9,598 |
| 40 - Non-Municipal (SAD 6, Cumberland County and Water Bond repayment) | | | |
| Expenses | 1,126,096 | 1,076,458 | (49,638) |
| YTD Expenses | 2,029,666 | 2,034,456 | 4,790 |
| YTD Net Income | (2,251) | 0 | |
| Enterprise Operations | | | |
| 71 - Frye Island Ferry Operations | | | |
| Revenue | 343,632 | 341,335 | 2,297 |
| Expenses | 322,378 | 336,434 | 14,056 |
| YTD Net Income | 21,254 | 4,901 | |
| 73 - Frye Island Golf Club | | | |
| Revenue | 217,375 | 195,100 | 22,275 |
| Expenses | 195,515 | 186,655 | (8,860) |
| YTD Net Income | 21,860 | 8,445 | 26,430 |
| 83-2 - Frye Island Yacht Club - Equity Operation | | | |
| Revenue | 17,775 | 15,575 | 2,200 |
| Expenses | 9,988 | 13,237 | 3,249 |
| YTD Net Income | 7,787 | 2,338 | |
| 83-4 - Frye Island Yacht Club - Rental Operation | | | |
| Revenue | 62,600 | 64,300 | (1,700) |
| Expenses | 24,885 | 25,441 | 556 |
| YTD Net Income | 37,715 | 38,859 | |

The Town continues to follow good fiscal management by regularly placing money into reserve funds to cover major expenses in the future. This reduces the overall cost of operation of the Town by eliminating the expense of borrowing money. The information in Table 2 details the amount in each reserve fund:

Table 2. Town Reserve Funds – Year End 2008

| Reserve Fund Name | Amount |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| General Government | |
| Capital Funds Reserve | 50,352.20 |
| Water Reserve | 11,235.51 |
| Recreation Reserve | 4,239.76 |
| Equipment Reserve | 26,197.70 |
| Fire/Safety Reserve | 48,010.52 |
| Fire Department Operations Reserve | 0.00 |
| Island Improvement Reserve | 289,183.79 |
| Revaluation Reserve | 2,739.50 |
| School Operations Reserve | 0.00 |
| Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance | 358,170.54 |
| Total | 790,129.52 |
| Enterprise Operations | |
| Golf Operations Reserve | 63,352.16 |
| Golf Equipment Reserve | 11,920.39 |
| Yacht Club Equity Reserve | 24,187.34 |
| Ferry Capital Reserve | 218,857.38 |
| Ferry Operations Reserve | 96,952.18 |
| Total | 415,269.45 |

The Reserve Fund monies are held in FDIC insured CDs, with no more than \$100K at any one bank and CD maturity periods from one to four years. All of the interest earned is credited back into the reserve fund accounts.

In an effort of full disclosure, the Town financial information is available on the Frye Island website. From the menu system on the homepage, select “Documents”, then “Town Documents” and then “Financial Information” to see the webpage summarizing the available financial information. All of the 2008 figures shown in Table 1 & 2 and the online information are subject to the audit that will be performed in the spring when the Island opens.

2009 Burglary Update

As many of you may have heard the island has had over fifty burglaries committed on it during the month of January. It is safe to say that if this is the first you have heard of this, you were not affected. I can tell you this, the investigation is almost complete with two suspects identified, one in jail for a probation violation as of this writing and one charged with receiving stolen property. This has been a long and time consuming investigation that has involved other law enforcement agencies. Several pieces of physical evidence have been collected and transported to the Maine State Police Crime Lab for DNA processing. I am cautiously optimistic that the State Police Lab report will come back identifying the suspects we have incarcerated or charged with the crimes

Respectfully,
 Rod Beaulieu
 Frye Island Police Department

Office Help Wanted

The Town Office is looking for help. The candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel. Anyone interested should contact Lisa Kerrigan by e-mail at lkerrig@hotmail.com

This is a great way to meet your fellow Islander’s and get paid!!

Marina News

The Frye Island Marina Committee consists of nine elected Frye Island Yacht Club members who represent a cross section of the boating community at both the Long Beach Marina and Quail Circle Tie-up Facility. The Committee has been very active in recent years and plans to continue that effort. The Committee has public meetings throughout the season and the minutes of those meetings are available on the Town Website.

This year we plan to continue our weekly publishing of safe boating tips in the weekly FINS. We received some positive feedback from this practice and we hope that the tips are helpful and useful to the boating community here on the island. Boater safety and education is a high priority for us.

When you register your boat or watercraft at the Town Office you will be given a boating safety pamphlet provided to us by the State of Maine, Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Extra copies are available to those of you who register in other states. Please take the time to read this important document.

For informational purposes only, boaters who use either of the marinas for the entire season should be made aware that if your boat or watercraft is moored or docked in Maine for more than 60 consecutive days, by law, it should be registered in Maine. Reciprocity from other states only applies for less than 60 days.

If you choose to fuel your boat in either the Quail Circle Tie-up or Long Beach Marina, **please exercise extreme caution.** This practice is extremely dangerous and a significant hazard to the environment, including water quality. Spill Kits are available at both facilities in case of a large spill. If in doubt, call the Fire Dept. The Marina Committee strongly recommends against the practice of fueling at either marina.

Several slip holders continue to store multiple watercraft in the same slip. In doing so, the channel in between slips has become more narrow, causing a navigation problem for boaters. The slips are designed for a maximum boat size of 24 feet. Total usable space must not exceed this limit. PWC slips are available for a reduced fee in an effort to help alleviate this problem.

Ten boat slips were added to the Long Beach Marina last year bringing the facility to full build-out. In 2008, we were able to satisfy all of the requests on the waiting list. There is still an active list with some members choosing

to defer for a year or so. If you wish to have a slip assigned, you must contact the Town Office to have your name placed on the list. Slips are assigned in accordance with Yacht Club Policy.

In order to comply with the Frye Island Yacht Club Policy, all boats and watercraft are required to have proof of insurance and a current Frye Island boat sticker. Please have your proof of insurance available when you obtain your sticker or register your boat at the Office.

After many meetings and in collaboration with State Officials and abutters, four channel markers were installed in the channel leading to Quail Circle. The Marina Committee feels that this will greatly improve navigation in this area of significant hazards.

The dredging project at the Long Beach Marina was completed in early 2008. Approximately 350 cubic yards of sand were removed from the channel. This should greatly improve navigating the channel when lower water levels are present.

The Marina Committee and the Town invested a significant amount of time and effort investigating potential long term solutions to the silting problem of the channel in 2008. After many meetings with the State DEP, IF&W, and Maine Geological Survey, we were able to negotiate a 10 year permit utilizing more economical methods of dredging.

In closing, the Marina Committee would like to thank Carl Hommel for his many years of service on the Committee. Carl chose to step down at the end of his last term and was an extremely valuable member over the years. Thanks Carl!

The Marina Committee also would like to thank the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen/Executive Committee for their support of our activities during the past year.

Frye Island Marina Committee

David Bond, Chairman

Steve Locke, Secretary

Tim McCarthy

Tim Toomey

Tony Kurgan

Jim Anderson

Rich Kaplan

Carl Hommel (retired 2008)

David Marcionek

Mike Hurley

Frye Island Incorporated Report

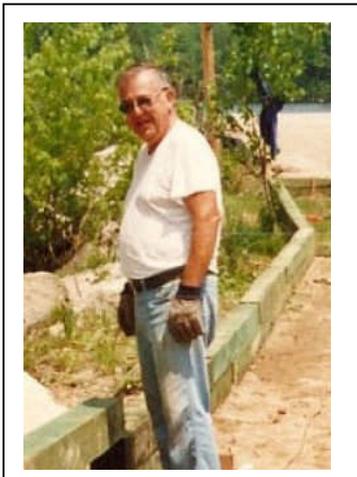
The 2008 year was a fairly quiet year for FII. The only thing of significance was the real estate closing in July for lot #1349. The purchase contract for this lot was finalized in the fall of 2007 with the lot having deed restrictions as a privacy lot. Otherwise, there were no lots sold or acquired during 2008. Because of the real estate closing, the year-end 2008 financial picture was better than the budget:

| | Actual | Budget | Difference |
|---------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Income | \$38,568 | \$30,660 | \$7,908 |
| Expense | 21,136 | 29,655 | -8,519 |
| Net | \$17,432 | \$ 1,005 | \$16,427 |

The 2008 FII Stockholders meeting reelected Neill Bovaird, Ed Charrette, Nancy Donio, David Lowe, Jacquie Ossi, and Joe Potts to the Board of Directors. The 2009 FII Stockholders meeting is scheduled for the Saturday morning of Labor Day weekend. Please **mark your calendar** for the 2009 Stockholders meeting so you can be a participant in a well run operation.

Sad News

Dick Wright Passes On



One of the long time residents of Frye Island is no longer with us. Dick & Joan Wright lived in the Paddock Circle area on the Island. On February 18th Dick died in Fort Myers Florida as a result of a fall a few days earlier.

Dick was a friend to many Islanders. The photo above shows Dick at a Frye Island work day, building the flower box at the Island ferry landing. He was an avid golfer, especially enjoying the Sunday morning scramble.

Joan continues to live at the Shell Point retirement community. Her address is: 10509 Rosemont Ct, Fort Myers, FL 33908

2008 Frye Island Police Department

Calls for Service
April, 26 – August, 31

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Burglary | 2 |
| Attempted Burglary | 1 |
| Theft | 7 |
| Forgery | 1 |
| Agg. Criminal Mis. | 1 |
| Criminal Mischief | 4 |
| Assault | 1 |
| Weapon Offense | 1 |
| Drowning | 1 |
| Suicide attempt | 1 |
| Residential Alarm | 3 |
| Unsecure Premise | 1 |
| Suspicious Activity | 9 |
| Disturbance | 12 |
| Attempt to Locate | 3 |
| Citizen Assist | 12 |
| Agency Assist | 3 |
| Assist M/V Lockout | 2 |
| Relay | 2 |
| Illegal Parking | 2 |
| Abandoned Vehicle | 7 |
| Littering | 4 |
| Animal Complaints | 8 |
| Fireworks Complaint | 1 |
| Domestic Disturbance | 1 |

Motor Vehicles Contacts

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Accident, Personal Injury | 2 |
| Accident, Prop. Damage | 4 |
| Unlicensed Operators | 11 |
| Speed Complaint | 8 |

Total # of calls for service 114



Ferry News

655-4258

Town of Frye Island Ferry Service

Most of your ferry crew will be returning for the 2009 season, and we look forward to a safe and efficient year.

So far this winter the ferries have been trouble free (Ken has been starting them weekly) and as the temperature improves work will begin on the boats. Last fall we (Ferry Crew and DPW) pulled the ferries out, and painted the bottoms and hulls of both boats, we hope that this spring only the rub rails up will need scraping and painting.

This winter we have had several freeze ups (sorry Calvin) in the ferry trailer septic system, it was discovered that the sewer ejector pump was defective, but also the line from the pump to the septic field is either frozen or collapsed, we will be pumping the septic tank on a regular basis until the ground thaws so that we can correct the problem.

Also during the fall of last year our best painter, Patti Graham with help from Lynn Gagnon painted the inside walls of the chapel, so that room is now nice and bright!

See You Soon,

John Crosby

Director of Public Works and Ferry Service

Public Works Department

Thank you

Thank you to the volunteers and employees that worked to secure the houses that were damaged in the break-ins.

Volunteers; Dave Bond and Cappy, employees; Ken Thurston, Eric Berube, Paul Kimball and Police Chief Rod Beaulieu.

The home owners and the Town owe these volunteers and employees a debt of gratitude; they braved severe weather to document and secure the damaged homes.

Spring Opening

Here's hoping that we have an early ice out, with plenty of snow now on the ground this means that the Island roads will have drainage issues and be very soft, the DPW will have its work cut out for them but we will strive to get the Island open on time.

Several CMP power lines were affected during the last snow storm in February, we have been in touch with CMP and they will be on the first spring boat to the Island.

Water System

With the help of volunteers Dave Bond and Cappy, it will be a pleasure to pressurize and disinfect our new 4" waterline on Highpoint and put it into service.

As soon as the roads firm up, the DPW and our excavating contractor Jeff Snow will be starting the installation of a new 4" waterline going from the rear DPW driveway, down Independence to White Way and end to end on Sunset.



Frye Island Golf Club

655-3551

Open to the Public

Fairway Lane

Course and Lounge Hours

Sunday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 AM - Midnight

Greens Fees

Weekend and Holidays: \$30.00
Weekday: \$20.00
Weekday Youth (16 or younger): \$10.00
Weekend Youth (16 or younger): \$20.00
Weekday Twilight (after 5 PM): \$13.00
Weekend Twilight (after 5 PM): \$15.00
3-day weekday pass: \$45.00
Week-long unlimited golf pass: \$110.00
Scramble Fee (e.g. 9 holes Sunday AM): \$15

Cart Rentals

Gas Cart:
9 Holes: \$16.00
18 Holes: \$26.00
Pull Cart:
9 or 18 Holes: \$4.00
Club Rentals: \$12.00

The winter golf meeting was held on February 15 at John Kett's house. The more detailed minutes of the meeting are available on our Web page. Issues related to changes in policy or regulations are subject to approval by the BIT Executive Committee.

2009 Tournament Schedule

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Tournament</u> | <u>Organizers</u> |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Sat, May 23 | Ryder Cup | Mark |
| Jun 13-14 | June Invitational | Steve, John |
| Fri, Jun 19 | Bishop GE | Tom B. |
| Sat, Jul 4 | Steak and Hot Dog | John, Vic |
| Jun-Aug | Club Championship | Bruce |
| Sat, Jul 25 | Night Golf | John, Mike |
| Sat, Aug 1 | Rally for a Cure | To be named |
| Sat, Aug 8 | President's Cup | Vic, Laura |
| Aug 22-23 | Member-Guest | Jim, John H. |
| Mon, Aug 25 | MGCSA (Superintendents) | Jim |
| Sep 11-13 | Sebago Lake Escape | Mark |
| Sat, Sep 26 | TKE Fall Classic | Jim |
| Sat, Oct 3 | Shoot Out | Mike |
| Sat, Oct 18 | Cross Country | Laura |
| To be determined | Junior Championship | Ron, Paul |

2009 Fee Schedule

In consideration of the state of the economy, all fees in 2009 will be the same as in 2008.

- Single Membership \$575.00
- Family Membership \$860.00
- Trail Fee \$200.00
- Initiation Fee \$500.00

*\$25 Discount for Memberships paid prior to May 15.

Miscellaneous Membership Issues

- ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS CAN NO LONGER BE PAID BY CREDIT CARD
- As a point of clarification, the handbook was amended to indicate that Charter Members, whether annual members or not, may use a cart with a registered Trail Fee at no cost.
- As a point of clarification, the handbook was amended to indicate that when a youth in a family membership comes of age, he/she does not have to pay an initiation fee provided he/she pays annual membership fees for the next five consecutive years.

SUE'S KITCHEN

- We raised over \$30,000 to fund the construction of Sue's Kitchen addition through donations and an auction.
- Since the bulk of the funds have been accumulated for the kitchen addition project, it will proceed in the Spring. To the extent that the HVAC system involves improvement to the existing building, it will be appropriate for Golf Reserves to bear the cost. The interior design and HVAC design will be matters to be finalized as the site, septic, and foundation work are proceeding in the Spring. Paul, Bruce and Brian were identified as the Construction sub-Committee.

2009 COURSE ISSUES

- Jim reported on the Course as follows in part: 1) The rebuilding of tees on Holes 1 and 7 are in progress, and will be finished early this year with a Turbo Turf hydro-seeder costing about \$1,700 to be purchased as a part of the project; 2) There are no large equipment purchases contemplated for this year.

GHIN

- Mike will research the cost of a GHIN card printer machine and labels.

WORKDAYS

- Workdays were selected as follows: Jun 28, and Sept 27. Projects will be determined in collaboration with the Superintendent.

ICE CREAM SOCIALS

- Ice Cream Socials are scheduled for Sat, May 23, Sat, July 5, and Sat, Sep 5. To address the difficulty encountered in lining up volunteers, a sign-up sheet will be posted well in advance of each social.

LOUNGE UPSTAIR FACILITY

- As a matter of Lounge policy, no persons under the age of 21 may use the upstairs room. There was discussion of the possibility of moving the currently unused pool table from the balcony area in the Community Center to the upstairs room in the lounge, and further discussion on whether or not a ping-pong table would fit therein. The next action item is for Jim to make an assessment of the condition of the pool table.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO PAINT TEE MARKERS

- We are fortunate to have tee sponsors. They paid for the beautiful granite markers and contribute \$150 each year to the course. Some of the paint is fading. We need volunteers with a steady hand to freshen them up. You don't have to be an artist. It will be like painting with numbers we did as kids. Please contact Laura if you would like to volunteer.

E-MAIL ADRESSES

- We want to be able to communicate with the membership. When you pay your dues, please make sure Laura has your updated e-mail address.

MAJOR FUTURE ANTICIPATED COURSE IMPROVEMENTS

- Purchase Equipment as needed.
 - 72" Rotary Mower – \$12,000 – \$20,000 - 2010
 - Triplex Greens Mower – \$12,000 – \$20,000 - 2011
 - 9,000 Pound lift for Shop - \$7,000 – 2012
 - Heavy Duty Utility Cart –\$15,000 – 2013
 - Tee & Approach Triplex Mower– \$12,000 – \$20,000 – 2014
- Continue Refurbishing all Tees
- Cart path renovations
- Print Yardage Guide Booklet

MEETING DATES

- Immediately following Sunday Scrambles on the following dates: May 17, Jun 27 (4PM), Jul 12, Aug 9, Sep 6 (combined with Annual Meeting), and Oct 4.