

# Town of Truro

## Town Manager's Weekly Report

August 2, 2019

### Announcements:

*Turns onto Castle Road from Route 6 will be prohibited on Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup> during while the Pan Mass Challenge travels through Truro.*

### Practice Shark Safety:

- *Don't swim where seals are present.*
- *Don't swim too far from shore.*
- *Swim in groups.*
- *Avoid wearing shiny jewelry or other accessories (which look like fish scales to a shark).*
- *Avoid surfing alone.*
- *Avoid areas with signs of baitfish or fish feeding activity – watch for diving seabirds.*
- *Be aware that sharks may be present between sandbars or near steep drop offs.*

### ***This week's activities of note from the Town Manager's Office:***

- *Select Board members, staff and I attended the Cape Cod Commission's Annual One Cape Summit. Presentations and conversations focused on climate action, water quality, housing and community planning.*
- *Please share your thoughts on the community process for the Walsh Property. [Click here](#) to provide input into the formation of the committee and the structure of the community process it will lead. You can also find the June 27th Forum attendee's thoughts on the committee from the survey link. For more information about the Walsh Property, [click here](#).*

### Upcoming Meetings:

- August 5, 2019-Truro Conservation Commission @ Truro Town Hall at 6:00pm.
- August 6, 2019-Truro Planning Board Work Session @ Truro Town Hall at 2:00pm.
- August 6, 2019-Truro Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall at 4:30pm.
- August 9, 2019-Truro Commission on Disabilities @ Truro Council on Aging at 3:30pm.

### Department News:

#### Police Department

- The annual Pan-Mass Challenge is scheduled to pass through Truro on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. All motorists are encouraged to avoid Truro Center Road and Castle Road during this time due to increased vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Police officers will be in place to assist with traffic direction, but delays are expected. During this period, there will be a one-way traffic pattern on Castle Road nearest to Route 6 where all turns onto Castle Road will be prohibited.

#### Department of Public Works

- DPW Director Cabral met with the Woods Hole Group, Fuss & O'Neil, and the Department of Ecological restoration to review draft construction plans for the Eagle Neck Creek culvert project. Weekly progress meetings will take place leading up to the bid announcement.
- DPW Director Cabral and Conservation Agent Beebe met with the Woods Hole Group to review the restoration and construction alternatives for the Little Pamet water shed area. Staff will continue to review all data and alternatives discussed.
- Phase two of the East Harbor Culvert repair is moving along into the location permitting phase. DPW Director Cabral and the Woods Hole Group will be filing to be heard at the September 9<sup>th</sup> Conservation Commission meeting.

#### Harbormaster/Shellfish Constable

- The Harbormaster Boat is experiencing a starter issue. It is currently at Nauset Marine for repair and maintenance.

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- Harbormaster Jakkett cleaned up the ramp and parking lot. A fresh water supply was hooked up and tested to clean the slippery boat ramp.
- Harbormaster Jakkett assisted a charter patron with heat exhaustion.

### Recreation/Beach

- Recreation
  - Summer Rec Youth Program took field trips to Orleans Bowling and Cape Escape Mini Golf.
- Ongoing Activities
  - Walking Group – Tuesdays at 9:00 am
  - Community Volleyball – Wednesday evenings at the Truro Community Center.
  - Zumba Fitness: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:30 am – 9:30 am at the Truro Community Center  
Saturdays, 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community Center  
Fridays and Sundays, 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community Center
- Upcoming Activities
  - Iyengar Yoga with Karin Stephan will begin in August.
- Beach
  - Center for Coastal Studies set up an informational tent at Head of the Meadow on Wednesdays.
  - Closures-Week of July 29  
CORN HILL BEACH  
Orv: South (to the left) Corridor Closed  
No dogs allowed at any time south of beach access due to shorebirds  
FISHER BEACH  
Orv: Corridor Closed  
No dogs allowed at any time north of beach access due to shorebirds  
HEAD OF THE MEADOW BEACH  
No dogs allowed at any time due to shorebirds  
COAST GUARD BEACH  
No dogs allowed at any time due to shorebirds

### **Swimming Closures To Date**

Date	Beach	Time Swimming Closed	Time Swimming Opened	Reason For Swimming Closure
7/2/19	Coast Guard (Truro)	12:05 pm	1:05 pm	Shark Sighting
7/13/19	Coast Guard (Truro) & Head of the Meadow	12:30 pm	1:30 pm	Shark Sighting
7/13/19	Head of the Meadow	3:00 pm	4:00 pm	Shark Sighting
7/14/19	Longnook	12:45 pm	1:45 pm	Shark Sighting
7/16/19	Ballston Beach	10:45 am	11:45 am	Shark Sighting
7/16/19	Head of the Meadow	11:35 am	12:35 pm	Shark Sighting
7/24/19	Head of the Meadow	11:00 am	12:00 pm	Shark Sighting
7/25/19	Head of the Meadow	10:30 am	11:30 am	Shark Sighting
7/25/19	Coast Guard (Truro)	11:00 am	12:00 pm	Shark Sighting

- Beach Office hours are 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, daily.
- For inquiries about the beaches please call (508) 487-1632.

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### Council on Aging

- Interviews for OA2 position
- Upcoming new activities
  - Card Making/Rubber Stamping
- Ongoing Activities
  - Chair Yoga
  - Chi Kung
  - Community lunch
  - Core & More
  - Dr. Campo Foot Care Clinic
  - Mahjongg
  - Men's Exercise Class
  - Move & Stretch
  - Strength Training
  - Transportation

### Assessing Department

- The Assessors Office is currently accepting applications for the Residential and Statutory Exemptions for the Fiscal Year 2020.
- If you are already receiving the Residential Exemption, there is no need to reapply. The Assessors office will notify you if requirements are not met. Please note-the implementation of the Residential Exemption is subject to Select Board approval annually.
- A Reminder-All Statutory Exemptions (Senior-Low Income, Disabled Veterans, Blind, etc.) must reapply annually.
- Please feel free to contact the Assessors office at 508.349.7004 x 116 with any questions.

### Library

- FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GIANT BOOK SALE on Wednesday, August 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (rain date is August 14) at Truro's Best Bookstore. All hardcovers: \$1; Paperbacks: 3 for \$1.
- On Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Mark Adams, Cape Cod National Seashore artist and cartographer, will tell stories and show the sketches he created while working with refugees on the Greek island of Lesvos.
- One Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m., come to an interactive "escape room", designed for kids aged 8 to 12, called *The Curse of the Evil Librarian*. Space is limited, so please reserve your spot.
- On Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m., ukulele lessons with Julie Stepenek are offered for the entire family.
- On Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. WHAT Theater's P.I.E. Story Theatre presents a 40-minute show of adapted fairy tales and original works, and at 6:30 p.m., author Jane Leavy presents on her latest book *The Big Fella: Babe Ruth and the World He Created*.