

Waypoint: *“Waypoints typically mark either points along a planned route, or locations of interest”*

- The American Practical Navigator/Bowditch

Harbormaster Waypoint 1/2018

Fellow Boaters: Here we go again! Another boating season is upon us, and even though the unusually wet and chilly April weather has delayed many of us, things are beginning to pick up around the waterfront. Both Harbormaster boats have been in the water since the first week of May and have been operating flawlessly so far. We supported the Volvo Ocean Race events both on shore and on water by providing additional security. The weather wasn't very cooperative, but the day the boats departed for Cardiff cleared up significantly, and was the busiest of all. It was quite a sight to see for those who were out there on boats.

Thanks to Chief Mello, the Harbor Commission, Town Council, and YOU, a new, sorely needed addition to the “Harbormaster Fleet” was added this season: a 2018 Ford F-250, which replaced the old F-150 that had over 200K miles on it and was deemed unsafe to leave the island. Although the old truck served us well, in the end, the transmission was shot and it was incapable of hauling the boats and trailers. Thanks also to Andy Wade, Ronnie, and Greg of the Recreation Department for stepping in when necessary to haul the boats over the past two seasons. The new truck is a beauty and enables us to do our own boat movements.

Some other items of note:

1. The 2018 permit stickers have a white field with green numerals and letters....please apply them to your mooring floats, on your kayak or dinghy, as applicable.
2. Pumpouts are up and running in both East/West Ferry, and there's an additional (third) pumpout in commission on the end of the wooden pier in East Ferry.
3. The pilings/floating dock (many refer to it as the fishing float) on the east end of the wooden pier in East Ferry was destroyed by a storm last Fall. There are plans to replace it, but it may not happen until after this season.

Important Dates: **June 15th End of Grace Period for registrations**
 July 1st All moorings must be commissioned with current sticker

Upcoming Events: Quonset Air Show.....Saturday & Sunday June 9 & 10
 Jamestown Blessing of the Fleet.....June 9 @1100
 Jamestown Fireworks July - TBD
 Save the Bay Swim..... Saturday August 4th
 Fools Rules Regatta.....Saturday August 12th

If you need to contact me on the water, I always monitor channel 16 VHF. I can also be contacted through the dispatch officer at the Police Station; or by phone: Office 401-423-7249 and Cell 401-265-3990.

Let's have a great, fun, and safe summer out there!

Smooth sailing - See you on the water!

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