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News and information for the Cape Lookout Mobile Sportfishermen







The Presidents Corner

I would like to thank everyone that attended the yearly meeting. We had a great turnout despite having to change the date due to inclement weather. Jeff West reported that the cabin project has been running behind but the contractor is stating that they are doing everything they can and hope to only be two weeks behind keeping the projected opening in June of 2025. The board voted to install a septic for a camper dump station and provide water to fill our campers on the new property. I believe this addition will benefit our members as well as increase the value of the property. As of now, there is no set date that this will occur. A portable toilet will be placed on the property by opening weekend to keep the land sanitary.

We are in current discussions with Jeff West to conduct a grass planting project in front of the ferry landing to help protect the harbor once the contractors have finished their work. As opening day is approaching, Mac Best is working on the Donza Lee adding a bow thruster and hydraulic ramp. Mac and crew have been working hard to make access to the island safer and more efficient. Thanks to their entire staff for their dedication. I hope to see everyone at the Spring cleanup in April!

Eric Kimball President, CLMS

Membership renewals

As a reminder, we are a little behind this year for membership renewals, we hope to have you back and see you out on the beach again. Anne Noyes had received a few membership forms in her P.O. Box, but please submit all membership forms and payment to Fallon Jones at 108 S. Woodstone Drive Archer Lodge, NC 27527

Needing hard copy membership and/or tournament forms?

In order to reduce the cost of the newsletter, reducing the amount of pages in each edition we now have all forms needed on our website at <u>WWW.CLMS4ORV.COM</u>. The website is the quickest way to enter and pay for the membership or our tournaments or you can simply download a form and mail it in. If you still want to receive a hard-copy form in the mail, please contact the treasuer at 910-818-5067 and he will be happy to send you one.



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Nicolas Allen caught this behemoth with the help of Danny Shaw for the picture on October 21, 2024.



Donald Hicks; Clemmons, NC Tay Foley; Cameron, NC Adrian Williams; Fayetteville, NC

Randy Mason; Fuquay-Varina, NC James Davis; New Kent, VA Linda Freuler; Tarboro, NC

Joe Johnson; Concord, NC Adam Hawn; Cameron, NC

Crandall Fountain; Chinquapin, NC

Noah, Christy & Bryant Adams; Newton Grove NC

Chris Myers; Trinity, NC Ricky Burks; Pelham, NC Carrie Cain; Harrells, NC Sandy Owens; Lexington, NC Angela Wiggs; Kenly, NC Tyler Nichols; Fayetteville, NC

Jake Grantham; Highpoint, NC

Ray Mason; Halifax, VA Don Hanner; Greensboro, NC

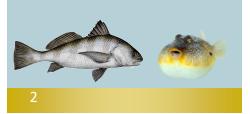


We were so close to our goal of 500 members in 2024. Let's bust that goal for 2025, it is very obtainable and we are counting on all of you fine folks to make it happen.

"We hope to see & meet you on Portsmouth Island in the near future. If you see someone with a CLMS tag on their vehicle or flag flying, please stop and introduce yourself"

WEBSITE & CLMS STORE

The Website for CLMS is run by Chuck Wood and can be accessed at CLMS4ORV.com. This is the newly designed site, you can now pay for membership, tournaments or make a donation etc... There are forms on the site for downloading. The CLMS Club store is ran by Zach Hudson. He is super close to having an online store completed, we will pass that information when it's up & running. We look forward to seeing the CLMS store items. If there is an update between the next now and newsletter we will put it on Facebook (CLMS4orv).



MAKE YOUR VOICES HEARD

We need to continue to contact those who can help Portsmouth and make the island great again. Please consider voicing your concerns to your legislators! their contact information is below.

US Representative Dr. Greg Murphy NC 3rd District 407 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 www.murphy.house.gov (202) 225-3415

Senator Ted Budd 304 Russell Senate Office Building 113 Dirkson Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 www.budd.senate.gov (202) 224-3154

Senator Tom Tillis Washington, DC 20510 www.tillis.senate.gov (202) 224-6342

Call to Action

As you know our beloved Portsmouth Island never gets the love and attention it deserves like Davis (South Core) Island. The vehicle ramp is in need of repair, the cabins have been shut down for a few years now etc... Even though there are plans to get these things repaired or built, it has been a long time coming. What we ask from you as a member, is to contact your local state and federal representatives to voice your concern. A phone call or an e-mail requesting that Portsmouth Island receives the proper federal funding and consideration as Davis does. We ask that even our out-of-state members contact their representatives as well, because even though in North Carolina, it is still your island too as a valued member. Please take the time out of your busy schedules to help make a difference.

Annual Winter Meeting highlights

The club held our annual meeting on 8 February at the Hilton Garden Inn in Cary, NC. It was great to see everyone. We met some new members, caught up with the old timers and were sad not to see some of our usual suspects in attendance because of health or unable to travel reasons. A big thanks to Alan Willard for getting us into theis new meeting space after our original location was cancelled due to weather concerns in January. We started off with welcoming everyone and then moving into the business side of things, getting briefed by various people on the state of the club. We then adjourned for lunch and fellowship and marking our ballots for new board positions. We had the 50/50 raffle which raised \$1,000+, then it was time for the Blue Ox raffle where a lot of great prizes were raffled off. Thank you Shane Kalista and J-Bird for keeping Blue Ox's dream alive with gathering prizes and conducting the raffle. Concluding the meeting, the election results were announced. Almost all chairs were maintained, but we welcome Ricky Sanders and Kenneth Martin into their new Board 1-Year positions. Thanks to all that attended and we'll do it again next year. Until then, we wish you all safe travels, good health and many great adventures and memories to be made on our beloved island.

















Important Contacts and Information

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Carteret County emergency number, they will dispatch rangers, 252-726-1911.

To make cabin reservations or get ORV permits go to; www.recreation.gov or call 877-444-6777

A number to keep in your vehicle for when you see a problem that needs reported. NPS tip line. www.nps.gov/isb or call 1-888-653-0009



Did you know that you can view, download & print all of the membership, tournament and scholarship forms online at www.clms4orv.com?

Morris Marina Happenings



Address: 1000 Morris Marina Road Atlantic, NC 28522

Ferry Reservations: 252-225-4261 252-723-4962

Office Hours: Monday-Saturday 8am-4pm
Office is closed on Sunday

Website: www.morrismarinaferry.com

Jeannie wanted to get the 2025 Ferry Rates out to you. The following rates apply to both Morris Marina and Cape Lookout Ferry services and for any type vehicle.

Up to 19' - \$150

Up to 22' - \$190

Up to 26' - \$215

Up to 30' - \$265

Up to 35' - \$315 Up to 40' - \$365

Up to 45' - \$425

Up to 50'+ \$475

Anything over 8' wide additional \$35

Side by Side \$125

ATV \$65

Military Truck \$400

Passenger fees w/vehicle \$25 adult \$15 child (4-10 years old) Under 4 free

Walk Ons - no vehicle \$35 adult \$20 child

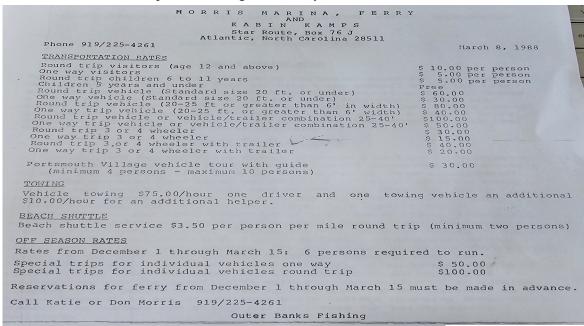


Let The Season Begin; Thoughts From An Old Timer

Are you ready to catch some? It's almost time to hit the sand and slide some fish up on the beach. Is your tackle ready for the job? Put fresh line on your reels, if you fish with braid, don't forget your leaders, don't lose a good fish to save a buck. Clean and lube the reels, check rods for broken or worn guides, check that reels seats are clean and tight. You need to sharpen all hooks or replace with new ones. How are your knives, clean and sharp, a dull knife will hurt you worse than a sharp one. Don't forget to check your rod spikes, waders, bait cutting boards, bait coolers, sinkers, and assorted tackle. A little bit of work now getting ready could save you a winner at this year's tournaments.

Don't forget your vehicle. Be sure all lubricants and coolants are clean and topped off. From my own experience, I always keep spare oil, transmission fluid in my vehicle. Running the beach is harder on your vehicle than just cruising around town. Check your tires, there are plenty of things on the beach at times and you never know what you may be driving over. Does your tire inflator work good? How is your spare? Most of them are not easily accessible so make sure they are in good shape. Keep a can of Fix A Flat in your buggy and some type of plugging kit. Hopefully you might never need to use it but you can save someone else a big bill. Make sure you have a shovel, a jack big enough to raise your vehicle, jack board and lug wrench. Check that your tow strap is in good shape. Check your batteries, don't get stranded with a dead one. There are quite a few other items that I have found useful over the years and I am sure you have your own list, share your list with others and enjoy the beach.

Get your camper/tent ready. A few things to do before getting there. Check your drinking water system, flush and sanitize your water storage tanks, nothing like a few green things floating around in there. Are your propane tanks full? Check around edges of roofs and windows to be sure they are sealed. Be sure windows operate easily and are screens in good shape, there is a possibility that there could be some insects around. Stock your favorite insect repellant, many to choose from. Don't forget repellant for you kids and your pets. I always have a container of liquid Benadryl to help with insect bites. Be sure to have sun screen for everyone and keep some pain reliever for those that forget to use the sun screen, aloe works good too. A must for the beach is a complete first aid kit, remember where you are going, medical help is not nearby so be prepared. It is a good idea to have some first responder training. ~Art Noyes





*Prices listed per cabin per night.							
Cabin #	Max. Occ.	Reg.	June 6 - 30 25% discount Beachcomer Adventure	July 15-Aug30 25% discount Last Chance Beach Special			
1, 3, 4	6	\$45.00	\$33.75	\$33.75	\$33.75		
8, 13, 7	6	\$45.00	\$33.75	\$33.75	\$33.75		
16, 17	4	\$30.00	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50		
2 min.	8	\$60.00	1 200	\$45.00	\$45.00		
2 max.	12	\$90.00	\$67.50	\$67.50	\$67.50		
15	8	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00		
5,9	4	\$24.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$18.00		
10, 11	6	\$36.00	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$27.00		
OCTA STRUCTURES							
*Prices	are b	ased on occupancy	y per night.				
	4	\$65.00	\$48.75	\$48.75	\$48.75		
	5	\$73.50	\$55.12	\$55.12	\$55.12		
	6	\$80.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00		

This is posted as a kind of a "Remember When". A lot has changed at the Marina over the past 37 years. These excerpts came out of the Portsmouth Island Echos and Sounds from 1988. I am sorry to say, I don't remember who gave it to me at the Winter Meeting, but appreciate it.

2025 CLMS Committee News

Scholarship Committee: (Georgia Nixon, Brian DeMay & Mark Hixson); Application submissions Due by June 1st. Two scholarships will be awarded at \$5,000 each. The scholarship is open to any CLMS member or their children attaining higher education. The application requires a 500 word or less essay about "How would I describe Portsmouth Island to someone who has never been?" The application is posted on page 6. Good luck to all applicants.

<u>Fundraiser Committee:</u> (Matt & Fallon Jones); The committee raised \$12,790 for 2024. Tickets for the 2025 fundraiser main raffle were picked up by those present at the Annual meeting. The rest were mailed out.

The Blue Ox raffle is held at the Spring Outing and the winter meeting.

<u>Take-A-Kid-Howell Home:</u> (Brian DeMay); This event is Scheduled for June 13-15 on South Core. More information will be posted as we get closer to the event. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Brian.

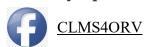
<u>Take-A-Kid-Oxford Orphanage:</u> (Mark Hurt); This event is scheduled for August 1-3 on South Core. More information will be posted as we get closer to the event. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Mark.

<u>Take-A-Vet</u>; (Todd Spencer); Event is scheduled for November 7-9 on South Core. More information will be posted as we get closer. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Todd.





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Name:





CLMS Melton Memorial Scholarship Application

We are once again pleased to announce that the board approved two scholarships to be awarded again this year!!! Deadline is June 1st. Even if you applied last year, you can apply again! However, you may only receive the scholarship once. Please see the criteria below for submission.

CLMS-\$5,000 Melton Memorial Scholarship

Application and essay or both due by June 1, 2025

georgianixon@triad.rr.com

E-mail completed application packet to Georgia Nixon at:

Address:						
Requirements: Applicant must be a member, son or daughter of a current member who has at been a member for a minimum of five years.						
Name of member (your name if you are the member)						
Submit a typed 500 word (maximum) essay with the title: How would I describe Portsmouth Island to someone who has never been?						
Provide a list of your extracurricular activities or hobbies:						
Name of school you plan to attend:						
The school can be a trade school, 2-year, 4-year or community college (attach acceptance letter)						



Down East Guides

Local guides available in the Down East area. Some guides for fishing, duck hunts and scenic trips, contact them for more info.

DUCKS

Lucas Styron 252-342-1749

Kerry Harris 252-241-0019

FISHING

Josh Arthur 252-838-2312

Justin Gilgo 252-225-2361

Reed Jarvis 252-225-9916

Buddy Goodwin 252-225-7801

Clint McCov 828-381-4321

Randy McCaskill 910-573-2303 (off shore and in Core Sound)

Digital Newsletter Is still available

As a reminder, you can opt-in to receive a digital format, newsletter. You will still receive the current layout of the newsletter, but just e-mailed in a .pdf format and have with you anywhere & everywhere on the go. If you decide that a digital version is right for you, please send me your name and e-mail address to todd.spencer@reagan.com or text me at 910-797-9384. If you decide to go paperless, you will no longer receive a paper hard-copy. If I do not hear from you, there will be no change, you will receive the newsletter as you always have in the past. This is just a choice to our members, please don't take this as a forced way of doing business, I value your opinion. ~Todd









CLMS-SUNSHINE

Please submit entries to Anne Noyes fishpaws33@yahoo.com, 252-225-0223 or P.O. Box 222 Atlantic, NC 28511-0222

(ensure we have the consent of those affected in case they do not wish to share their personal medical information to the masses)

- Long time member Bill Graham passed away on November 22, 2024. He spent many hours fishing and camping on P.I. and loved it as anyone else would. RIP our dear friend and condolences to all his friends & family. His obituary can be viewed at https://www.cranstonfuneralhome.com/obituary/William-Graham
- ♦ Charles Morgan, father of Jamie Morgan passed away on January 20, 2025. We send our condolences to the Morgan family during this very difficult time. His obituary can be viewed at https://www.phillipsfh.com/obituaries/charles-morgan
- We wish Ann Noyes fast healing and a speedy recovery after her Rotator Cuff surgery, we are thinking of you.
- A big shout-out to the board for their continued hard work that keeps the club going. We welcome our new board members and look forward to great things to come.
- Great job to Chuck Wood and Sanford Cain for updating our website and for making it easier for us to make payments etc... The site looks amazing and encourage everyone to check it out.
- ♦ Thank you to Fallon Jones for her hard work during this busy time of new memberships & renewals. Please keep the memberships coming, our goal is to break 500 members this year and we think it is in reach.

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Membership	Fallon Jones	919-634-5708	fbsjones@gmail.com
Newsletter	Todd Spencer	910-797-9384	todd.spencer@reagan.com



Over the years, many CLMS members have participated in the "Take-A-Kid" and "Take-A-Vet" fishing outings. These yearly outings are very rewarding and everyone's help is very much needed. Please consider volunteering for one of these fun events! In addition, CLMS provides food at many of our club events and help with cooking would be greatly appreciated!

2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Contact the event coordinators for details or to volunteer.

April 11-13, 2025

Annual Spring Outing/Beach Clean-up Coordinators; CLMS Board Members Portsmouth Island

May 16-18, 2025

Don & Katie Morris Memorial Fishing Tournament Coordinators; Ricky Hall & Chad Barnes Portsmouth Island

June 13-15, 2025

Take-A-Kid Fishing (Howell Home) Coordinator; Brian DeMay South Core Banks

August 1-3, 2025

Take-A-Kid Fishing (Oxford Home) Coordinator; Mark Hurt South Core Banks

October 10-12, 2025

Billy Safrit Memorial Fall Fishing Tournament Coordinators; Ricky Hall & Chad Barnes Portsmouth Island

November 7-9, 2025

Take-A-Vet Fishing Coordinator; Todd Spencer South Core Banks

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