

THE ISLANDER

News and information for the
Cape Lookout Mobile Sportfishermen



The Presidents Corner

I hope everyone had a great year and got to spend some time on the beautiful island that we all love. It has been a busy year for CLMS with the purchase of property for the club members. With the hard work of many volunteers, we put in a cable fence, gates and cleared numerous trees to prepare the lot for use before the fall fishing season. I would like to thank all the committees for their hard work in keeping the club events running smoothly. Volunteering to help on these committees is always encouraged and needed. We also have several board positions coming open. If you are willing to run for a position, please email Georgia Nixon at Georgianixon@triad.rr.com or any board member to place your name on the ballot. You may also nominate another member and nominations will be taken the day of the meeting as well. Please consider giving back to this wonderful group of people.

As of the first week of December, Jeff West reported that all the pilings and half of the cabins have been delivered to the staging area on the mainland. I am pleased to hear things are moving forward. I hope to see you all at the January meeting. Please note the change in locations this year. It will be at the Hilton Garden Inn located at 131 Columbus Avenue, Cary, NC 27518 from 10:30-3:00 on January 11th.

From my family to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Eric Kimball
President, CLMS

CLMS Annual Winter Meeting Announced

This year's Annual Meeting will be held on January 11, 2025 from 10:00am-3:00pm at the Hilton Garden Inn Raleigh-Cary. The address is 131 Columbus Avenue Cary, NC 27518. There will be rooms blocked for the event and you will need to make a reservation by **December 11th**. You can call at 919-377-0440 or book online at <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/rdurcgi-90r-09cc1c01-bd03-4518-a819-a5b635a2ad2a/>. Use the group code: CLMS for the discount. To get a close head-count, we ask that you please go to our new website at WWW.CLMS4ORV.COM. Once there, scroll down the page and you will see the Annual Meeting, then click the register button. We will have our usual meeting/discussion, board elections, lunch, the Blue Ox raffle and will have an option to pay with credit cards for store merchandise on hand. We hope to see you there.

*** Elections will be held as usual for Board of Directors seats that are vacating, if you would like to put your name in the hat for one of the positions, please send your name to Georgia Nixon. One position that is willing to step down is Board- 1 Year (Bernie Davis).

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- Website & Store Information
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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

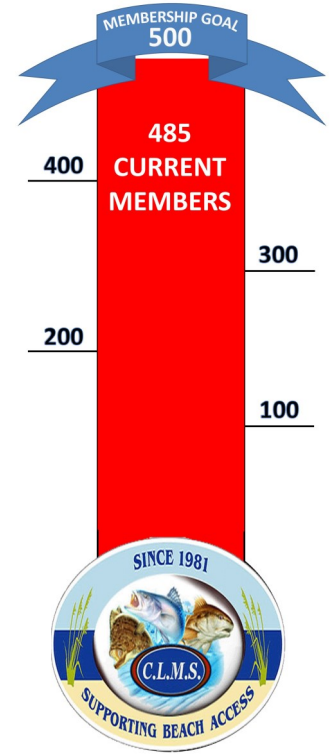
Steve Luthringer; Raleigh, NC
 Rob Sutton; Summerfield, NC
 Maurice & Shawna Freeze; Concord, NC

Please start sending in your club membership dues to Fallon Jones for 2025. Membership cards and stickers will be handed out at the January meeting, if not in attendance, they will be mailed to you.

We need your help with finding & inviting new people to our club



We were so close to our goal of 500 members. 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 still some 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. Thanks to Zach, Chuck & Sanford for getting the website payment option working between the website, store and the bank. We look forward to seeing the CLMS store items. If there is an update between now and the next newsletter we will put it on Facebook ([CLMS4orv](https://www.facebook.com/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 Washington, DC 20510 www.budd.senate.gov (202) 224-3154	Senator Tom Tillis 113 Dirkson Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 www.tillis.senate.gov (202) 224-6342
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Call to Action

As you know our beloved Portsmouth Island never gets the love and attention it deserves like Davis 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.

Take-A-Vet Fishing highlights



The club held our annual Take-A-Vet Fishing Weekend on Great Island, (Davis) on November 8-10, 2024. There was a good turnout of members/workers that helped make the event a success. Todd Spencer planned the event and did a great job. Those members working were Todd, Scott, Peggy, Waldo, Christie, Eric, Georgia, Jeff, Tom, George, Gregg, Emily and Art.

The guests arrived on the noon Friday ferry and moved up to the cabins. The weather was warm and partly cloudy. Todd introduced the members to the guests and after a short time to get their gear arranged

in the cabins it was time to fish. Friday afternoon the fishing was fairly slow with just enough fish caught to keep it interesting. A good number of sea mullets, some blues, a gray trout and of course, some skates and rays. There was two spool cleaners but not identified. Some spinner sharks were putting on a show off shore. While some were fishing, others were preparing the evening meal of pork loins, salads, garlic bread, drinks and desserts. The pork loins were donated by friends of veterans. After the meal was done some of the group returned to fishing and caught a few. Also a camp fire made for some lively story telling.

Saturday morning started cold and windy with some high surf. We had a big breakfast with; bacon, eggs, grilled pork leftovers, grits and biscuits with sausage gravy, juice and coffee. After breakfast we loaded up and moved out to find a spot to fish. The high wind and surf made the fishing difficult at several locations but was a bit easier down south near the rock jetty. Still mostly sea mullets, skates and a few blues. After making some wind breakers it was possible to get a couple of small grills going for a beach lunch of burgers and dogs etc... The fishing remained slow until late afternoon and the group was treated to a bluefish blitz that made the conditions easier to endure. A wind burned gang made it back in time for supper to warm them up. Christie had prepared a seafood jambalaya full of shrimp and crabmeat over rice along with salad, garlic bread, drinks and desserts. After dinner Todd got everyone together and handed out some gifts for the guests and members. There was T shirts for all and club hats. Todd had a drawing among the guests for a custom surf rod, made and donated by member Herb Ellington. There was also two more surf rods passed out along with an insulated coffee mug, some fancy roasted peanuts and some Cape Lookout sea salt made by Christie.

Sunday morning was an early start because the guests had to catch the 9:00AM ferry back to the mainland. Our cooks made up some bacon, eggs, biscuits, juice and coffee. After breakfast we took a few pictures and loaded up all the guests and their gear and drove them to the ferry. The vets and the members agreed that the event was a big success and we were honored to meet these defenders of our liberty.

Thanks to Todd for putting this all together and the workers that took part. Thanks to member Herb Elliot for making and donating a beautiful surf rod. Thanks to Mack Best and the gang at the ferry service for transporting us to the island and back. Thanks to Superintendent Jeff West and his staff at the seashore for their donations and help in making this event a success.

~Art Noyes



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

There was no update from Jeannie, but I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you Morris Marina. I think I speak for all in saying how much we appreciate your services. We understand that it was a very stressful start of the season, but it all worked out. From the re-design of the Donza Lee, repairing and constructing the new island-side ramp to shuttling countless vehicles, passengers and supplies to and from our beloved island, we THANK YOU! We look forward to seeing everyone next season as you do it all over again, we wish you many more years of service and friendship.

Don't forget to make your reservations early for next year.



www.clms4orv.com



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

Billy Safrit Memorial Fall Fishing Tournament

The Billy Safrit Memorial Fishing Tournament was held 11-13 October 2024. This event was a great success with 52 Anglers. We couldn't have asked for better weather, it was excellent conditions and temps were very mild. We got to see a lot of friends and meet new ones on the island. Everyone caught fish, but getting to share it together was what really mattered. The raffle raised \$1,900, during the raffle, there was a custom rod & Reel given away courtesy of Mots Custom Rods. Another feast was prepared by Kevin & Jessica Carmichael. Thanks to Mack Best's crew for getting us all on/off the island. Special thanks to Ricky Hall & Chad Barnes for putting together such a great event for us. We hope to see you at the Don & Katie Morris Memorial Fishing Tournament on 16-18 May 2025.

Fall Fishing Tournament Winners

Blue Fish

- 1st- Kevin Springs
- 2nd- Key Gray
- 3rd- Chad Parks
- 4th- Charlie Marks

Red Drum

- 1st- Alan Willard
- 2nd- Hunter Helms
- 3rd- Todd Spencer
- 4th- Chad Parks

Black Drum

- 1st- Kenneth Martin
- 2nd- Key Gray
- 3rd- Mike Willard

Trout

- 1st- Trey Rogers
- 2nd- Hayes Petteway
- 3rd- Chris Bradley
- 4th- Shane Kalista

Mullet

- 1st- Mike Willard
- 2nd- Jessica Carmichael
- 3rd- Bernie Davis
- 4th- Kenneth Martin

Blow Toad

Tommy Lindsay

Most Spots

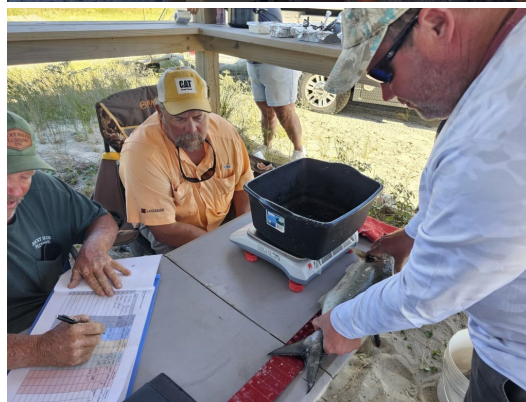
Jordan Martin

Hog Fish

Alan Willard

Trash Fish

Chad Parks



2025 CLMS Committee News

Scholarship Committee: (Danny Shaw, Georgia Nixon & Brian DeMay); Application submissions Due by April 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 “What Portsmouth Island means to me”. The application is posted on page 6. Good luck to all applicants.

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

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

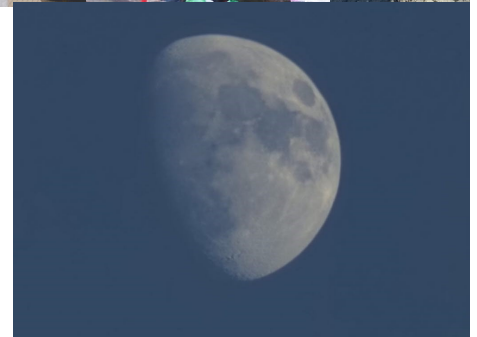
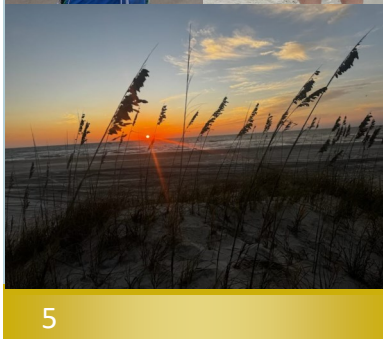
Take-A-Kid-Howell Home: (Brian DeMay); This event is Scheduled for June 13-15 on South Core. More information will be posted as we get closer to the event. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Brian.

Take-A-Kid-Oxford Orphanage: (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.

Take-A-Vet: (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.



Want to share some of your favorite past pics in future editions? Please send them to todd.spencer@reagan.com



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Board of Directors Information

There was too much info to write out in this newsletter, but the board will discuss all matters, changes and decisions at the January meeting.

CLMS Lot in Atlantic

- Park no longer than 1 month
- Be respectful of neighbors
- For CLMS Members only (you may be accompanied by a guest)
- Gas grilling only, no open wood/charcoal flames
- Porto-Potty will be placed on property April through November, removed during off-season
- Park at your own risk

Tournament fees

- Both the spring and fall tournament fees will increase to \$50 each.
- The increase will now include the Blue Ox side bet, with the side bet being capped at \$250.

Lifetime Membership for Seniors price change

- Anyone over the age of 65, your cost will now be \$150.

CLMS Melton Memorial Scholarship Application

NAME- _____

Address _____

Requirements: Applicant must be a son or daughter of current CLMS member who has been a member for at least 5 years.

Name of CLMS Member _____

Submit a 500 word maximum (please type) essay with the title
Portsmouth Island : What it means to me.

Provide list of your extracurricular activities (use additional sheet if necessary)

School you plan to attend. _____

(attach letter of acceptance) This can be a 2year or 4 year school.

Application and essay are due by April 1st

Email application to:

Georgia Nixon at georgianixon@triad.rr.com

***Application form can be downloaded on our website as well at www.clms4orv.com

When the ferry offices open up reservations for the 2025 season, get your name on the list as early as possible. Remember to cancel any reservations made next season if you will not be able to make it for whatever reason. If you don't cancel, they are still expecting you to show and when you don't, they may miss out on filling your spot and therefore, loss of revenue.

Call for Artists deadline extended

The board has decided to extend the deadline for the board to vote on the new design until the annual meeting in January. We are having a contest for those that would like to design a new club license tag. Keep in mind this license tag should represent North Core Banks...Portsmouth Island. If you have an idea for a new tag please submit it to Lori Jones, 897 Underpass Rd, Advance, NC 27006 before the May fishing tournament. Lori has a group of design professionals that are going to pick the winner. Try not to duplicate any of the older tags that you have received through the years. Until such time as the new tag design has been picked, ordered and delivered, the current tags will be used for new members (free) and replacement tags for the price of postage (around \$5.00). You must be a member in good standing to get a replacement tag.



Current membership license tag

Digital newsletter option still available

I would like to propose an optional bye-in from our members on how you would like to receive your newsletter. I am proposing a digital format, you will still receive the current layout of the newsletter, but just e-mailed 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)



- ◆ Scott Wilson is doing great with his knee replacement and getting along pretty well.
- ◆ Johnny Hauser is still home recuperating from his stroke. Jeff Alexander took Johnny to Portsmouth recently and I am sure that meant a lot to Johnny. Thank you Jeff.
- ◆ Mack Best is doing the best he can since his recent back surgeries, and we wish him the continued healing.
- ◆ Bill Graham has been quite ill at this time and hoping the best for a good recovery.
- ◆ Condolences to Georgia Nixon and her family to the recent loss a special family member.
- ◆ On a brighter note we thank Christie McLawhorn for the salt she made from the waters of P.I. Very salty salt and yummy.

If anyone knows of someone that would like a card sent to them from the club, please contact Anne Noyes using any of the above contact methods.

Important Points of Contact:

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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!

Contact the event coordinators for details or to volunteer.

2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

SEE YOU ON THE BEACH!

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c/o Todd Spencer
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