



The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

April 2021



President's Message

Happy Spring!

About this time of year, even diehard Pacific Northwesterners start to question their decision to live here in "Graysville" with endless weeks of overcast skies and relentless rain. We hear from our friends in Arizona and California how it's starting to "get too hot". We kept putting on our raincoats, gloves and mud boots.

Then along come a few sunny days. It starts to dry up and temperatures reach into the low 70's. There is hope for spring and summer. Amen!

On Herron Island, like most of the Puget Sound area, everything seems a little nicer in the sunshine. Even the pandemic doesn't seem as daunting. With three vaccines now being administered, we're all being vaccinated in large numbers. All adults will soon be eligible to get their shots.

Thank you for your continued efforts to keep yourself, your families and friends safe. Keep wearing those masks and practice social distancing. Washington is doing better than many States. Now is not the time to let our guard down as we head into spring and summer and start to gather in larger numbers on the island.

The ferry lane designations will soon be updated. Signage will be added to the mainland ferry loading area. Thank you for adapting to the multi-lane queuing system. If you encounter guests who are confused by the process, don't be afraid to help direct them to the proper spot in line. By helping each other we can make this system work and keep vehicles off the road, as required by Pierce County.

Aside from a couple of pending minor cost estimates, your Board of Directors is ready to present the 2021-2022 budget. You will have the opportunity to review

the budget in May and June. You will be able to vote to ratify the budget in July.

As we have said, the annual assessment is going up. We anticipate the next annual assessment will be \$3,600 which works out to be \$300 per month. This represents an increase of about \$1,000 of which \$725 is directly related to shipyard expenses to maintain our ferry. We need to replenish the money we borrowed from ourselves to pay for the very expensive 2020 shipyard. We also increased the money in reserves for the 2022 shipyard, to hopefully avoid the underfunding situation we experienced last fall.

It should be noted that the 2021-2022 budget does not include any meaningful contribution to the reserve fund to replace our aging ferry. HMC will need to put considerable thought and effort into creating a plan to replace the ferry. This will be one of the biggest challenges our community will face in the future. A new ferry design, a realistic timeline, and a funding plan will need to be developed. This will require considerable membership input and community agreement.

You may be aware that HMC follows a series of Bylaws which include our Rules. Our Bylaws are the documents by which our community is governed; they cover everything from how Board meetings are run to how members can use common HMC property. In some cases, the Bylaws address how individual members can use their own properties. Our Bylaws require Herron Island property owners to follow Pierce County Codes and Ordinances. Occasionally, a member may attempt to use their property in a way that conflicts with Pierce County Zoning Code. If this happens, and HMC is notified, it is a responsibility of your Board of Directors to uphold the Bylaws and to investigate. Our goal is to ensure that members follow the Rules set forth in our Bylaws, so we can maintain the quality of life on Herron Island we all cherish.

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Anyone can report a code violation directly to the county. <https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1571/Code-Enforcement>.

Speaking of meetings and rules, have you ever considered running for the HMC Board of Directors? It's a tremendous volunteer activity and an opportunity to make a real difference in your community. This election we will have four open positions. Give it some thought for yourself. Offer your encouragement and support to those you think would contribute to the Board and our community.

One of these Board positions is open due to the unfortunate passing of our friend and colleague Chet Latimer. Chet was a dedicated Board member who contributed with his valuable management experience. He and his wife Roberta have been

active members of our community for ten years. Chet will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Now, get out there and enjoy the beautiful sunny days while you can. Take in the spectacular views of the snow-covered Olympic Mountains. Watch the seals frolic and bark in Case Inlet around Herron Island. Embrace those weeds growing on your property. They are a sure sign spring is here, and the gray is behind us. Amen!

Reed West
Your HMC Board President

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Dan Marten, Roads Committee (253) 884-9350

Mike Fassio, Rules Committee (253) 884-9350

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Mike Gage, Policy Review Committee (253) 884-9350

Ken Higgins, Emergency Preparedness (253) 884-9350

Sherry Anderson, Small Boat Docks (253) 884-9350

Carolyn Snyder, Office Manager (253) 884-9350

Merry Kogut, HMC Calendar (253) 884-8484

Ken Freeman, Beachcomber/Webmaster (231) 544-2456

Herron Island Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The office is CLOSED Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday, and after 2:00 PM on Fridays before Board meetings.

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Parks email: HMC Parks@herronisland.org

Roads email: HMC Roads@herronisland.org

Member Input email: MemberInput@herronisland.org

Emergency 911

Ferry Cell phone (253) 691-1457

(Cell phone to be used for scheduling heavy loads, big vehicles or having something in tow, and for information regarding ferry services.)

Ferry Business

- Call ahead if you are planning to use the ferry for a trailer, boat, or large vehicle!
- Only those guests with valid passes will be allowed on the ferry.
- Plan your arrival at the dock at least 5 minutes before the scheduled time of departure.
- Walks-ons are not to be on the dock or ramp when cars are being loaded. Watch crew for permission to board.
- Only service and delivery people may charge fares.

WE HAVE EXPERIENCED GUESTS AND SERVICE PEOPLE EXPECTING TO COME OVER TO THE ISLAND WITHOUT GUEST PASSES. THIS VIOLATES THE ACCESS POLICY THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE FOR ALL OF OUR SECURITY. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR GUEST HAS A VALID GUEST PASS SIGNED BY YOU TO ENSURE THEY ARE ABLE TO RIDE THE FERRY. BLANK GUEST PASSES ARE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AT THE OFFICE, BY MAIL, AND ON THE FERRY.

Nondiscrimination Statement

If you wish to file a Civil Rights complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint form, found online at:

http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html

or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form.

Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at:

**U.S. Department of Agriculture
Director, Office of Adjudication
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410**

Or fax to (202) 690-7442 or email to

program.intake@usda.gov.

Beachcomber news items must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the Wednesday after the monthly Board meeting on the second Saturday of the month. Items MUST be emailed in electronic format to kenfreeman@kencam.net. Include your name and phone number in case any questions arise. Paid advertisements are to be arranged with the HMC office PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.

Island Manager Report April 10, 2021

Administration

- HMC seeks a Webmaster to maintain and manage the HMC website. Please contact the Island Manager, if interested. This has been handled by a volunteer who is ready to step down.
- An interested member is working with the Beachcomber publication and will likely take this on as a volunteer.
- The office has migrated email to Microsoft 365 giving HMC email security. While this is a user-friendly environment there is much to learn and staff is working through changes.
- The annual USCG inspection will be April 12, noon runs will be cancelled due to this.
- Mainland parking lot will have lanes marked and signs showing lane numbers by the end of the month.
- Please welcome York Lambrecht as standby deckhand on the ferry beginning mid-April.
- Thank you to Frank Harrison who has served as Water Committee chair, he has chosen to resign.
- With the water department built out and generally managed by NW Water Systems there is no longer a need for a Water Committee.
- Small Boat Docks installation is scheduled for Saturday, May 1.
- Thank you to Dale Miller for mowing, the parks look great.
- Parks will install additional kayak racks provided by HMC Boosters, thank you.

Hipcamp

There has been a lot of conversation regarding Hipcamp and member use. Hipcamp hosts are providing a "for profit public campground". HMC is still reviewing this, however, please note the following links where individuals may report zoning and land use violations to Pierce County.

Island neighbors should address concerns directly with the homeowner. Anyone may research under Pierce County zoning, or other Pierce County ordinances. There is a lot to wade through as with all regulations.

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More information:

All of Herron Island is subject to the zoning code for the Key Peninsula Community Plan Area. All of the residential lots on the Island are zoned Residential / R10 (10 lots per acre).

It appears from the plan that camping or recreational vehicle use is allowed on a residential lot for up to 120 days per year (See 18A.38.020); provided, however, "a parcel may host not more than three temporary uses within a calendar year" (See 18A.38.030).

HMC ByLaw 11.2- Limitation on Business Use, articles 11.2.1 through 11.2.4 may apply and this is under review.

Pierce County Code Enforcement Reporting link
<https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1571/Code-Enforcement>

Legal Liaison: There are 10 delinquencies; 7 with the attorney's office

Departments/Committees

Maintenance: Gary Wanzong – No report

Parks: Dale Miller – Report

Policies: Mike Gage – No report

Roads: Dan Marten – No report

Emergency Preparedness: Ken Higgins - No report

Water: - No report

Small Boat Docks: Sherri Anderson – To report

Rules: Mike Fassio – 1 complaint pending

BOOSTERS

Mark your calendars! The next Boosters meeting has been scheduled for this Saturday, APRIL 17, at 11:00 a.m. Joyce Major has once again generously agreed to host the meeting via Zoom. The agenda for this meeting includes updates and discussions regarding the new kayak racks; cleaning and painting the waiting sheds on the mainland; communications; the dock installation; Memorial Day, and more! Remember, ALL HMC members are Boosters members, so all are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Please email joycemajor1@hotmail.com if you would like to receive a zoom link with details of how to participate.



Have a wonderful Spring-filled weekend!

Robin Kelly, President

It's Tansy Time!

Spring is here, bringing with it warmer days, a beautiful array of new flowers, and... weeds.

One especially wicked noxious weed, *Tansy Ragwort*, has made Herron Island its home. Each plant produces 150,000 + seeds and colonizes rapidly. The effort and cooperation made by Herron Island property owners in the control of Tansy Ragwort has steadily increased, and we are making progress!

Field Inspectors from the **Pierce County Noxious Weed Control Board** will **begin making routine inspections on the Island towards the end of June.**

If Tansy Ragwort plants are discovered on your property, please eradicate them as soon as possible. For any questions concerning Tansy Ragwort, control methods, a list of herbicide spray professionals, or compliance with the Noxious Weed Laws, please call the County office at 253-798-7263; or leave a message with the Pierce County Field Inspector at 253-798-6844.

There is a homemade and environmentally friendly way to eradicate Tansy yourself by mixing the following ingredients and spraying the tansy growth. You'll see results in a matter of hours!

1 Gallon Vinegar
2 cups Epson Salt
1/4 Cup Dawn Dish Soap

Just mix and keep some in a small spray bottle. Spray in the morning after the dew has evaporated. Walk away and after dinner the weeds are gone. It will kill anything you spray it on.

Boarding the Ferry Safely

It is the start of the busy season for Herron Islanders and their guests. Please do your part to make it a safe one.

As you begin down the ramps pay particular attention so that you do not have any mishaps on the ramp rails or when turning to load on an outside side lane. The crew will point to the lane you should be in and guide by indicating if you need to move a little left, or right. The ultimate responsibility for safely loading your vehicle is in your hands.

Please review the last page of the ferry schedule for additional rules. These are required for all passengers. More notably are:

- Guest passes not completely filled out will not be taken causing the holder to wait for boarding, potentially on the next ferry run.
- One car on the ramp at a time.
- Do not leave ramp until motioned onboard by the crew
- Speed limit on the ramps and ferry is 5 mph.
- Turn off the engine and set parking brake once loaded.
- Do not start the engine until guided by the crew.
- Turn off all vehicle lights while on the pier, ramp, or ferry; loading or unloading. Lights make it difficult for the crew to see.



The ferry is governed by the United States Coast Guard and the Master of the Vessel (the Captain) is in charge at all times. If you are not paying attention to the rules and guidance in the policies, or the signs on the ferry the crew will direct you to pay attention. There is no time to challenge the crew, if you wish to report a problem please email the Island Manager at hmcmanager@herronisland.org.

The ferry crew's instructions must be followed at all times. In the captain's sole discretion, driver's or passenger's behavior may prevent him or her from boarding the ferry or cause him or her to be removed from the ferry. The captain may choose to contact the Sheriff's Department for assistance.

Drivers may not use cell phones while boarding. Alcohol, cigarettes, vapes, and similar products may not be used on the ramps or on board the ferry. Vehicle drivers and passengers must remain inside their vehicle while vehicles are loading or unloading from the ferry. They must return to their vehicles prior to docking. The same rule applies to motorcycle riders and passengers.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Ready for Boating Season?

As we move closer to the start of boating season, remember to check your safety equipment like buoyancy vests and fire extinguishers for current expiration dates. See Boating Safety checklist below:



First Mate Checklist

presented by:  **Sea Tow Foundation**
for Boating Safety and Education

- ☐ Does everyone on board have a **life jacket** that fits? Help your shipmates put their life jackets on!
- ☐ Where are the fire extinguishers, emergency flares and first aid kit on the boat?
Make sure everyone else knows too!
- ☐ Double check that your navigation lights and horn work before leaving the dock.
- ☐ Help your captain perform a radio check to make sure the VHF radio is working properly.
Use **Sea Tow's Automated Radio Check Service**.
- ☐ Check the bilge. You want to make sure it isn't filled with water.
- ☐ Check the gas gauge and let your Captain know how much **fuel** you have.
- ☐ How does the weather look? You don't want to head out on the water if it looks like it's going to storm.
Download the Sea Tow App to help track the weather.
- ☐ Make sure you have drinking water and **sunblock** on board.
- ☐ Ask your captain what the safe way out of harbor is and help them determine your course using the compass.
- ☐ Last thing to check:
Is everyone ready to have FUN?

To learn more about the Sea Tow Foundation visit boatingsafety.com
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New to Herron Island?



Welcome! We encourage you to meet your neighbors and get involved in island events and activities. Purchase a copy of the HI Boosters Directory (\$5) from Robin Kelly at d_kelly@centurylink.net and find your neighbors close by. Stop and say hello when you're out and about. The folks around here are very friendly and will always wave even if they don't know you.

Your neighbors can help you with obtaining off-island services such as trash collection, propane servicing, or obtaining a mailbox on the mainland. Did you know that being a walk-on passenger to the mainland to collect your mail is free of charge?. The ferry crew calls that a "turnaround". No charge for "turnarounds" as long as you don't leave the mainland parking lot.

Make sure you get your email address included on the island broadcast email list to receive important information about island issues. The office staff can help you with that. Send an email to them at office@herronisland.org and request to be included on the list.

Want to follow the ferry in real time? There's a GPS app for your laptop or mobile device that shows you where the ferry is and whether or not they are shuttling. Go to www.vesselfinder.com and search for Charlie Wells in the find vessel box.



Board Candidates Needed

This year there will be four Board seats up for election. Members are encouraged to run for a Board seat and become part of the operation of our island community. These seats will be filled at the Annual Membership Meeting on June 12, 2021

A Board candidate application can be found on the next page.

Applications for a Board seat must be received at the office no later than 10:00 am, May 8, 2021.

BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

NAME:

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC:

OCCUPATION:

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

EDUCATION OR TRAINING:

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES: GOALS:

CANDIDATE STATEMENT:

Signature

HMC Management's business practice requires that all Board members successfully complete a Background Check. Should you be elected to a Board position, you will be asked to complete a separate authorization for a third party to conduct a Background Check. Candidates unwilling to authorize a Background Check do not meet the eligibility requirements to hold a Board seat.

Top 10 Things New Board Members Should Keep in Mind

(Adapted from Community Associations Journal March 2016)
Documents referred to in this article can be found on the HMC website

CONGRATULATIONS! You are on the board! The contribution you are making to your association is valuable and necessary to keep things running.

With a little reading and talking to other board members, you'll be up to speed in no time.

1. **You don't have to make up the rules, you only need to follow and/or enforce them.** Most boards already have a process in place to make things run smoothly.
2. **Get to know the lingo.** Board meetings can be filled with a lot of industry jargon, acronyms and abbreviations. Following are a few examples to get you started:
 - a. RCW – Revised Code of Washington
 - b. Reserve Study – budgeting tool require by state statute that list all major components within your community and then compares upcoming projects with how much money is available.
3. **Familiarize yourself with the rules.** Governing documents are a hierarchy of rules. The top documents have the highest authority and the broadest language. The bottom of the list has the least authority and the narrowest language. Understand that the legalese may take a little getting used to before it actually makes sense. Read it through and understand that many things will make sense as you get further along in your reading and experience.
4. **Revised Code of Washington** (RCW or state statutes) that apply to your association. (For HMC, that is RCW 64.38.)
5. **Articles of Incorporation**
6. **Bylaws**
7. **Rules & Regulations** (Note: HMC – See Island Rules)
8. **Get familiar with existing contracts.** Know what is included in your association's contracts with service providers. You can renegotiate expectations as needs change.
9. **Familiarize yourself with the current concerns the board is discussing.** If you have the opportunity, schedule an appointment with your association manager or another board member to get you up to speed or ask for meeting minutes from the last 3-4 meetings (Note: HMC – These are posted.)
10. **Things take longer than you might expect.** Even the smallest project can take some time due to the process that must be followed. Be patient, be prepared and take the opportunity to move things along expediently when the occasion arises.
11. **Rely on the experts.** You do not need to be an expert to be a board member. You only need to know when to consult an expert. Once an expert is consulted, understand that it is in the association's best interest to listen to the expert's advice. If you still have questions or concerns, keep asking questions or consult another expert.
12. **An association manager is part of your team.** A manager never takes the place of the board and a manager has little to no authority in making decisions for your community. Use a manager to facilitate, advise, educate, organize, and, among many other things, do the leg work for the board so that operations can go more efficiently and effectively.
13. **Your association is a business.** Taking this to heart will help you when making decisions. Personal concerns can easily burden you when considering a decision for the association. When this happens, remind yourself to "keep it business" so that you can eliminate the personal portion and make the best business decision for your association.
14. **Look at the big picture.** It is easy to get caught up in the details of any concern. Remember the main purpose of the project and let go of the smaller details that may only add to frustration rather than the actual goal.

Keep asking questions, don't take things personally and be efficient and effective when communicating. Being a board member can be a very rewarding and educational experience.

Are You on the List?



HMC now has 450 Member email addresses on the notification list. If you want to get notice of the online Beachcomber, or get the latest on windstorms, power outages, water line breakages, or other news, please send an email to office@herronisland.org and request that your email address be added. To be used for HMC purposes only.

Welcome, New Islanders!

HMC welcomes new Members to Herron Island:

- John Spalluzzi & Chao He



Board Member Email Addresses

HMCPresident@herronisland.org

HMCVicePresident@herronisland.org

HMC Treasurer@herronisland.org

HMC Secretary@herronisland.org

HMCBoardMember@herronisland.org

Please use these email addresses for all future communications to Board Members. They can be accessed on our website (herronisland.org) under the HMC Board tab. Please submit your questions, comments, and suggestions to MemberInput@herronisland.org

Hauling a Trailer or Boat?

Call ahead to the ferry phone, 253-691-1457, and talk with Captain to ensure tides and load coincide.

Making this call does not indicate a reservation. The Ferry Access Policy states:

“HMC requires that a confirmed notification be made to the captain in advance to transport any combination (in-tow) of any length, and/or single vehicles longer than 25 feet. The notification must be confirmed by the captain. The captain’s phone number is 253-691-1457. The captain cannot guarantee that you will be able to board the ferry at the time requested.”

With heavy increases of trailers and large vehicles to Herron Island it is necessary for the crew to manage the loading as they see fit and shuttle to accommodate as needed. Note, getting to the ferry early for your crossing with a towed trailer/boat is your best chance of getting on the ferry run you hope to be on.

For service providers, they must get to the ferry early to get on the run they need. Many times these providers drive up at the last minute and end up waiting, or leaving. Please ensure they have instructions from you, they call ahead to the captain and have a ferry pass that is filled out.



Members Hiring Realtors on Herron Island

Any member hiring a realtor to sell their property must be aware of the risk of placing a real estate sign anywhere near a water meter. When placing signage for properties that are for sale, it is very important to be aware of where there may be underground utilities. During the recent ditch clearing, we noted two incidences where realtors have placed signage within inches of water and electrical lines. For example, if a water line is damaged, it would require turning the water off at the water main and impacting several properties until the damage has been addressed. If a significant repair is needed this may mean that people will not have water service for days. The best choice would be to call 811 (utility locators) before you dig. Members will be held liable for any damage to HMC water meters or surrounding pipe.

Effective April 1, 2021

SUMMER FERRY SCHEDULE - APRIL 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30													
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
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*** ferry will not operate during these times to allow for mandatory crew breaks. This includes shuttle runs.													
HOLIDAY SCHEDULES - SUMMER													
Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day run on the Sunday schedule.													

WINTER FERRY SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MARCH 31													
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
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HOLIDAY SCHEDULES - WINTER													
Thanksgiving	8:30am - 9:00am		11:30am - noon		6:30pm - 7:00pm								
Christmas Day	8:30am - 9:00am				6:30pm - 7:00pm								
New Years Day	8:30am - 9:00am		11:30am - noon		6:30pm - 7:00pm								

NOTE: Check for low tide ferry cancellations. They are posted on the HMC website.

Confirmed call must be made with the Captain when towing or a vehicle exceeds 25 feet prior to arrival.

Ferry Cell Phone: 253-691-1457

Ferry Rates		
Ferry User Fees	Member	Guest
Vehicle (up through 20') & Driver	\$8.00	\$20.00
Passengers & Walk-Ons		
Age 12 and Over	\$3.00	\$3.00
Age 5 - 11	\$1.00	\$1.00
Under Age 5	Free	Free
Vehicle Length Fares		
21' through 30'	\$16.00	\$32.00
31' through 40'	\$24.00	\$48.00
41' through 50'	\$32.00	\$64.00
51' through 60"	\$40.00	\$80.00
Special Runs	\$200.00	\$200.00
911 Medical Runs	Free	Free

Basic Ferry Safety Rules
Smoking is not permitted.
Smoking marijuana is not permitted.
Open alcoholic beverages are prohibited (RCW 46.61.519)
Passengers must remain behind the safety lines in place across each end of the ferry.
Passengers must remain in vehicles or passenger cabin while ferry is loading/unloading vehicles.
Passengers under the age of 13 must be under adult supervision at all times. Passengers ages 13-17 who are unaccompanied by an adult must remain in the cabin until a crewmember tells them they may leave.
Propane tanks must be shut off and sealed prior to boarding.
Gasoline is allowed in CG/UL-approved portable containers no more than six (6) gallons in size with no signs of deterioration that could affect sits integrity. Containers must be properly secured for transit ad cannot exceed a total volume of twelve (12) gallons on any one trip.

Access Policy Main Points
Member vehicles must have a valid HMC Sticker. (If sticker is invalid guest rates apply.)
Guests must provide a completed guest pass to the deckhand/purser, filled out and signed by a Member, to be admitted onto the ferry.
Roundtrip payment is required on the mainland side by cash or check.
Charges to Members can only be authorized for utility, service or delivery services.
Call must be made in advance and confirmed by the ferry Captain to transport any combination (in-tow) of any length and/or single vehicles longer that 25 feet.
Maximum gross weight is 40,000 pds.
Maximum vehicle length is 60 feet.

Loading/Unloading Procedures
Speed limit on the ramps and boat is 5 MPH.
Follow all directions given by crew.
Turn off engine and set parking break and once loaded.
Do not start engine until directed by the crew.
Turn off all vehicle lights while on the pier, ramp or ferry during loading and/or unloading.
To load vehicles proceed to the concrete pier when light turns green. Proceed one vehicle at a time down the wooden ramp and wait at bottom until directed by crew to drive onto the ferry. Follow instructions of crew where and when to park.
To exit the ferry restart your engine and release parking break only when directed by crew. Exit ferry as directed by crew.
Foot passengers may not board when light is green. Passengers are to remain in cabin when ferry is docking or at dock.

Boarding/Shuttling
Ferry crew may begin boarding 10 minutes prior to scheduled departure.
Vehicles/passengers must arrive no later than five minutes before the scheduled departure time to ensure a place either on the current run or a shuttle.
Vehicles/passengers arriving after the five minute cutoff time are not assured a place either on the current run or shuttle.
If additional vehicles/passengers arrive after the cutoff and prior to the final shuttle departure they will only be accommodated as space permits on the shuttle. Any remaining vehicles must wait until the next scheduled run.
The ferry may not make shuttle runs if the ferry crew reach legal work hour limits. Some shuttles may not be made to assure the ferry crew gets required breaks.

Holiday Restrictions
Combinations (in-tow) of any length and/or single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after noon, the Thursday before Memorial and Labor Day holiday weekends. Restriction dates will be posted for the Independence Day holiday.

Ferry Cell Phone
253-691-1457
Call the ferry to schedule heavy loads, when towing vehicles and any vehicle longer than 25 feet. Confirmed reservation is required by the ferry Captain prior to loading.

Member Responsibility
Members are responsible for their quests actions at all times and to assure a completely filled out guest pass is issued to their guest prior to the guest arriving at the ferry.

2021 HMC Scheduled Ferry Low Tide Cancellations and Adjustments

April 2021

Thu 4/01	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Fri 4/02	3:30-5:00 cancelled ADD 5:30-6:00 PM RUN
Tue 4/27	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Wed 4/28	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Thu 4/29	No shuttle after 12:30 run. 3:30 delayed to 3:40
Fri 4/30	3:30-4:00 cancelled

May 2021

Sat 5/01	3:30-5:00 cancelled ADD 12:30-1:00 PM RUN
Sun 5/02	4:30-5:00 cancelled ADD 12:30-1:00 PM RUN
Thu 5/13	No shuttles after 12:30
Fri 5/14	2:30-3:00 cancelled
Sun 5/16	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Tue 5/25	12:00-12:30 cancelled ADD 9:30-10:00 AM RUN
Wed 5/26	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Thu 5/27	12:00-12:30 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Fri 5/28	12:00-3:00 cancelled ADD 9:30-10:00 AM RUN ADD 5:30-6:00 PM RUN
Sat 5/29	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Sun 5/30	3:30-5:00 cancelled
Mon 5/31	3:30-5:00 cancelled ADD 12:30-1:00 PM RUN

Memorial Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Vehicles towing anything (combinations of any length) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will **NOT** be transported **AFTER** the 12:00 noon-12:30 pm run, Thursday May 27, 2021 through the end of the day Monday, May 31, 2021.

Note: Monday, May 31 the ferry will operate on the holiday schedule which is the same as the summer weekend schedule.

June 2021

Wed 6/09	No service 10:15-11:15
Thu 6/10	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Fri 6/11	12:00-12:30 cancelled ADD 9:30-10:00 AM RUN
Sat 6/12	No shuttles after 12:30
Sun 6/13	3:30 leaves at 3:45
Mon 6/14	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Tue 6/15	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Tue 6/22	No shuttles after 09:00
Wed 6/23	9:30-12:30 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Thu 6/24	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Fri 6/25	12:00-12:30 cancelled ADD 9:30-10:00 AM RUN
Sat 6/26	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Sun 6/27	3:30 leaves at 3:50
Mon 6/28	3:30-4:00 cancelled

General Information

- **NO SERVICE/NO SHUTTLE** means the tides are too low to safely operate the ferry for the listed time. **Shuttles will not run during this time.**
- Check www.herronisland.org for schedule updates.
- **Add** means runs added out of normal schedule.

July 2021

Wed 7/07	No shuttle after 10:00
Thu 7/08	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Fri 7/09	12:00-12:30 cancelled ADD 9:30-10:00 AM RUN
Sat 7/10	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Sun 7/11	No shuttle after 12:00
Mon 7/12	No shuttle after 12:30
Tue 7/13	03:30 leaves at 03:40
Tue 7/20	08:30-09:00 cancelled ADD 11:00-11:30 AM RUN
Wed 7/21	08:30-10:00 cancelled ADD 11:00-11:30 AM RUN
Thu 7/22	No shuttle after 09:00, 12:00 leaves at 12:45
Fri 7/23	12:00-12:30 cancelled ADD 1:30-2:00 PM RUN
Sat 7/24	10:30-12:00 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Sun 7/25	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Mon 7/26	No shuttle after 12:30

July 4th Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Vehicles towing anything (combinations of any length) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will **NOT** be transported **AFTER** the 12:00 noon-12:30 pm run, Thursday July 1, 2021 through the end of the day Sunday July 4, 2021.

Note: Sunday, July 4 the ferry will operate on the holiday schedule which is the same as the summer weekend schedule.

August 2021

Sat 8/07	10:30-12:00 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Sun 8/08	11:30-12:00 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Mon 8/09	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Wed 8/18	08:30-09:00 cancelled
Thu 8/19	08:30-09:00 cancelled ADD 11:00-11:30 AM RUN
Fri 8/20	No shuttle after 09:00
Sat 8/21	10:30-12:00 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Sun 8/22	11:30-12:00 cancelled ADD 2:30-3:00 PM RUN
Mon 8/23	No shuttle after 12:30

Labor Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Vehicles towing anything (combinations of any length) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will **NOT** be transported **AFTER** the 12:00 noon-12:30 pm run, Thursday September 2, 2021 through the end of the day Monday, September 6, 2021.

Note: Monday, September 6, the ferry will operate on the holiday schedule which is the same as the summer weekend schedule.

Herron Island Properties For Sale/Pending:

- **920 E Herron Blvd:** (MLS # 1687257): Vacant land – double lot – with water view! 0.63 acres. **Listed at \$39,500**
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- **413 E Herron Blvd:** (MLS # 1742423): 70' of medium bank waterfront home! East & South-East View!! 1,664 sq. ft log home! Steps to beach! **PENDING SALE with multiple offers!!**

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