



# The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

March 2007



<http://www.herronisland.org>  
**President's Message**

Spring is coming! Daffodils are showing off, fruit trees are beginning to blossom, the winter gray deciduous trees are tinged with red anticipating the arrival of new leaves. Herron Island is moving forward, too. The original small boat docks are sporting new deck boards and repairs thanks to a great effort by volunteers. The project was spearheaded by Terrill Chilson and Tracy Anspach who deserve a thank you from us all. They are also involved with working toward the new revised rules, especially concentrating on the use of community areas and specifically how we use the North Beach. The Board approved the changes as submitted, which are intended to improve the use of the small boat docks and related beach area. Please read the revisions and give them a chance to work for the betterment of all who enjoy that area.

I want to thank each and everyone who took time to vote on the last ballot. It was the largest number of ballots cast in recent memory. Both measures passed by wide margins. We should have new gravel for the roads received and applied within a month. The second measure authorized the Board to commit to apply for long term funding through the USDA Rural Development program. This application is so complex that it requires an engineering firm to do it.

Allen Moren  
President

## Ballot Results

Ballot No. 1: Approval of \$15,000 USDA application expense.

Yes: 197  
No: 17

Ballot No. 2: Approval of \$29,000 road resurfacing expense.

Yes: 188  
No: 30

## Water Committee Workshop

Join Mike Davis, our new Water Chairman, for a Water Committee Workshop to talk about where we are with options for our new water system. After the Board meeting, Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the Community Center/Fire Hall. All are welcome!

*It is that time again! The Summer  
Ferry Schedule begins April 1st...*

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**Herron Island Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. The office is CLOSED Monday,  
 Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday.**

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**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.)*

**Delinquency List as of March 16, 2007**

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**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. PROVIDING GUEST PASSES IS NOT PART OF THE DECKHAND'S JOB.**

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 [beachcomber@herronisland.org](mailto:beachcomber@herronisland.org). Include your name and phone number in case any questions arise. Paid advertisements are to be arranged with the HMC office **PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.**

**Online Beachcomber**

If you wish to read your Beachcomber online at [www.herronisland.org](http://www.herronisland.org) and save HMC the price of paper and postage, please notify the office.

**HMC Management  
Board Meeting Summary  
March 10, 2007**

Administration

- The Island Manager briefed the Board on new vessel fueling restrictions imposed by the Washington Department of Ecology. Several approaches to dealing with the financial burden will be taken, including contacting HMC's representatives in the state legislature.

Legal

- The attorney's office continues with various legal proceedings connected to the foreclosures that are currently underway.

Land Use

- The two lots that are under consideration for a swap between HMC and a private owner have been tested for percolation, and HMC's lot will have a wetlands study done shortly. Both lots will support a septic system. At least two real estate professionals will be asked for comparative market analyses for both lots.

Transportation

- One of the two new generators for the island and mainland ferry terminals is in place on the island. The other will be delivered in about two weeks.
- Heavy-duty fencing has been installed on the mainland to protect the generator. A propane tank will need to be secured also.
- The ferry insurance has been renewed for 2007.
- Part-time deckhand/purser Ron Fugere successfully completed his training for a Coast Guard 100-ton captain's license, and has begun the HMC captain-trainee intern program in order to accrue the sea time hours required for his license.

Water

- The Island Manager and various Board members have recently attended a USDA workshop on applying for a Rural Development water project loan, and a meeting with officers of Peninsula Light Company to discuss the possible purchase and operation of the island water system by PenLight.

Roads

- The worst of the storm debris on the roads has been picked up and disposed of.

**HMC Management  
Board Meeting Summary  
February 10, 2007**

Administration

- The Board decided to move ahead with cleanup of storm-caused roadside debris and to request the annual fire permit from Fire District 16.
- The Board decided against contracting with the Pierce County Sheriff's Department for special patrols on July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend.

Finance

- Members with bills or reimbursement requests should have them at the office no later than the Thursday prior to the Board meeting so they can show as "Bills to be Paid"

Legal

- The attorney advised that the Board has the authority under Bylaws Section 11.2.4 to ban geoduck farming if such activity does not meet the requirements in the Bylaws.
- The attorney's office is proceeding with various legal filings in connection with the foreclosures that are currently underway.

Transportation

- The ferry terminal generators are ordered and en route. Heavy-duty fencing has been installed on the mainland to protect the generator. A propane tank will need to be secured also.
- Heavy-duty fencing has been ordered for the mainland generator site, to cover the top of the site as well as sides. Installation is expected on February 20. A propane tank will also be at the site, to supply the generator's engine.
- The surveyor who recently surveyed the ferry put a current value on it of \$600,000. In discussions with our broker it was decided to lower the insured value to \$700,000, which is felt to be in the proper range of coverage, without being underinsured. This will result in somewhat lower premiums.
- The ferry insurance, including liability policies, is being renewed this year "as expiring," which means without a premium increase. The broker advises that this is a result of HMC's excellent ferry operational record over the past six years, and were it not for the clean record, premium costs would have risen approximately ten percent.

Water

- The Board discussed methods of having a small truck available for Water Department maintenance work.

Parks

- Proposed new Parks rules were discussed by the Board.

Roads

- As a reminder to everyone, parking on the island roads is prohibited at all times.

## **Notice of Special Membership Meeting of HMC Management**

**Notice is hereby given pursuant to Article 4 of the Bylaws of HMC Management that a special meeting of the membership will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2007 at the hour of 12:00 Noon at the HMC Community Building. At the meeting, one (1) ballot proposal described below which has been set before the members by action of the Board of Directors will be voted on.**

**Members may vote in person at the meeting or by mailing or delivering the enclosed absentee ballot to the HMC Office so that it is received prior to the time of the meeting. *Ballots will not be counted unless your name and signature appear on the large envelope.***

**1. Pursuant to the “Policy Regarding Sale of HMC Owned Lots” dated August 12, 2006, the Board of Directors has proposed that the lot currently owned by HMC Management and located at 311 East Madrona Boulevard be traded for the lot currently owned by Ronald and Delia Gallucci and located at 903 West Yew Boulevard.**

## Ballot Explanation

The HMC Management Board of Directors has proposed that HMC trade a lot that HMC has owned for many years for the privately-owned lot that abuts the Community Building on the north side. The initial reason for considering the acquisition of this lot is that the Pierce County Building Department had told HMC that to do any improvements on the Community Building would require additional setback space, as the building sits so close to the property line. The improvement that was planned was a roof over the concrete pad on the east side of the building. The County later determined that the roof could be built without an additional setback, so acquiring the lot next door was no longer required as a condition of building.

By that point the Board had been having conversations with the owners of the lot, and they offered to trade their lot for one owned by HMC if it could be done straight across (with no cash involved) and provided they could find an HMC lot that would meet their needs for future use. Having found a property that is satisfactory to them, they have agreed to move forward with trading their lot for the HMC lot.

The Board and the Island Manager have discussed the opportunity and agree that since the privately-owned lot is the only lot contiguous to the Community Building it would, on the balance, be appropriate and desirable for HMC to own it. Future use for it is not planned at this time, but by obtaining ownership now it prevents the lot from development by private parties and gives HMC time to consider various uses for it as the island's needs change. A new community building that does not utilize most of its space for a fire station has been mentioned as one viable option in the future.

The properties involved in the proposed trade are somewhat different in nature, but both have been found by percolation testing and professional wetlands analysis to be buildable and to allow a septic system. While the lots are not valued identically in terms of market analysis, the value to HMC to have the only remaining contiguous lot available for future community needs does not easily equate to dollar amounts. As is true with any purchase of real estate, value is determined in the buyer's eyes and in a case like this, one parcel can easily have greater long-term value to the Association over various others. If the Membership agrees that this is in the best interests of the Association the Board will proceed to work on the parcel trade.

### Argument For a "Yes" Vote

- (1) The lot HMC would acquire is contiguous to our community center and Goodpastor Park.
- (2) The Comparative Market Analyses include comparable septic percolation tests and wetland analyses as the basis for an even swap.
- (3) The 903 Yew lot has about 140' of frontage on the road and is about 2000 sq feet larger than 311 East Madrona.
- (4) Future usage of 903 Yew is not the real issue in making the swap. The fact is that if HMC does not acquire it now, then it is possibly lost forever. However, many possible potential uses exist: More parking, perhaps a storage area (we need to remove materials from the well/reservoir lots to comply with the State DOH inspection) organized for materials needed for parks, roads, water, etc., possible expansion of the office area, future drainfield for the community building, and on, and on, and on.
- (5) There are few costs to HMC in the swap, only whatever the title transfer fees and the like will be.
- (6) The Board is mandated by our rules to put the issue to the membership by ballot. We encourage you to weigh the positive features of voting for the swap.

Allen Moren, HMC President

### Argument Against a "Yes" Vote

Essentially the question is: Does HMC want to "swap" with no monies exchanged a buildable view lot for a buildable lot?

- (1) Originally, there was concern an additional lot north of the Community Center/Fire Hall would be needed to get a building permit to add the carport. In the end, the permit was issued without the additional lot.
- (2) The swap is based on an unidentified future need without a "plan". The swap is not needed, unplanned and costly.
- (3) Swapping the property would cost HMC the possibility of a new assessment, if HMC sold the property instead, plus the loss of revenue (estimated at \$ 30,000+) from selling the property.
- (4) With the upcoming costs of the new water system we should be selling properties.
- (5) On paper, the lots may appear comparable, but we invite you to take a drive-by and decide for yourself. (HMC owned lot: 311 E. Madrona Blvd—Galluci owned lot: 903 Yew Blvd).
- (6) Due to time constraints, this view brought to you based on information heard at Board Meetings and without seeing the ballot and supportive opinions.

Terrill C., Jack and Nancy W.- Another View for You Committee

# Official Ballot and Voting Instructions

1. Vote yes to accept the proposal set forth below. Vote no to reject it.
2. Insert your ballot in the envelope marked "Official Ballot" and seal the envelope. Do not put your name on this envelope. Do not place anything other than one Ballot in this envelope.
3. Place the small envelope marked "Official Ballot" in the large envelope. **You must sign the large envelope and make sure that your name and address appear on the large envelope. *If your name and signature do not appear on the outside of the large envelope, your vote will not be counted.***
4. To be considered a member in good standing and have your vote counted, all delinquent charges and assessments must be paid in full before the Ballots are counted.
5. Please make sure that your name is legible on the large envelope. If your name cannot be read, the ballot will not be counted.
6. Your absentee Ballot must be received in the HMC Office by 12:00 Noon, Saturday, April 14, 2007 to be counted. If you prefer to vote in person, please attend the meeting. The Ballots will be counted at that time.

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## Proposition No. 1

(Approval of Property Exchange)

Shall the lot currently owned by HMC Management and located at 311 East Madrona Boulevard be traded for the lot currently owned by Ronald and Delia Gallucci and located at 903 West Yew Boulevard?

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**YES** (For Proposition)

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**NO** (Against Proposition)

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The BOOSTERS are looking forward to a great summer with many fun activities. Plan now to be a part of our community and support the BOOSTERS. At this time, we are planning to have an Auction with the proceeds to go toward completing the Community Center/Fire Hall Improvement Project. Our project leaders are open to ideas, suggestions, happy faces to help out and your contributions. Please call Carla V. at 206-633-2822 or Judy G. at 253-857-5463.



## FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

Wanted : Used boat trailer in good condition for 9 foot Sorenson. Call Kathy Fennell (206) 365-9492 or email [kathyfenn@aol.com](mailto:kathyfenn@aol.com).

407 Madrona For Sale 128,800.

Well appointed, including washer dryer and redundant heating systems, two out storage buildings and a full kitchen. One bedroom and a total area inside of approximately 700 sq.ft. ,a loft for children's sleeping and two outbuildings for storage or crafts. It is fresh, quiet, and the stars loom quite large. A caretaker on the island is at all times within a reasonable schedule able to sponsor your inspection. E Mails are welcome, no agents. Leave a message with a time you might like to be called. 310-403-2098 [dr.jaren@att.net](mailto:dr.jaren@att.net)  
Digital photos available.

For Sale 25 foot GE refrigerator. It has Pull out shelves, freezer on top. We have upgraded our appliances and it works great. It is white and about 5 years old. Can deliver to the island. \$250 Jeff Clark 253 279 3572 [Jeffclark@comcast.net](mailto:Jeffclark@comcast.net)

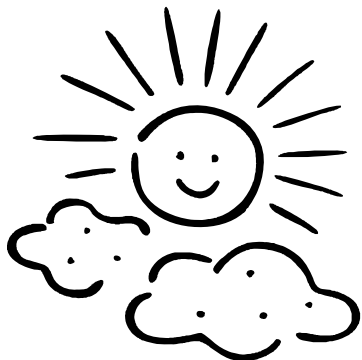
For Sale: Kodak EasyShare printer dock 4000, prints 4x6 pictures and is a quick battery recharger for Kodak compatible cameras. Compatible with Easy Share DX4330 and other 4000 /3000 series cameras. Excellent condition \$40. 253-884-6166

360 + Sq. Ft. of Brazilian Ironwood (Lapacho) Flooring. Left-over from our island remodel. 170% harder than oak and finishes like fine furniture. ¾ " x 3 ½ ' Tongue & Groove solid planks. Colors from walnut to cherry, to pale green, some knotty burl & fine grained. Comes in 2 Unfinished lengths: 42" & 48". Internet Retail Price \$6.39 per Sq. Foot, plus shipping. Islanders-only price \$2.50 per Sq Foot, and it's already here! Call: Peter at 253-884-3554 or Cell # 360-509-8317  
Email: [peter@maisonimports.com](mailto:peter@maisonimports.com)

**We are working toward being ready for  
our first big weekend, Memorial Day.  
Join a Parks work party...**

**April Park Work Parties**

**Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> join us at  
N. Beach, at 8 am  
to put the small boat docks in the water for the  
2007 season.**



**Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> –  
Earth Day Week –  
Parks cleanup!  
Join us at 9:30 am at  
Goodpastor Park.**

**We couldn't do it without you! Your efforts are greatly appreciated.  
Thanks to all who participated in the February Parks work party at  
N. Beach for beach/parking lot and dock clean-up and dock repair!  
The March Baseball Field clean-up was cancelled due to a soggy field!**

**A Call to Herron Island Musicians!**

Imagine: Herron Island. It's summertime. It's 8 p.m. on a Saturday night. Daylight has not left the day, but the stars are getting ready to come out and sunset begins. Violins, tambourines, guitars, banjos and other instruments (and their owners) are gathered to have fun and enjoy the summer evening. Yes, there's singing...and yes...that is your foot tapping to the beat and you join in.

Join us for a practice jam session once a month - on the second Saturday at 3 p.m. (Board Meeting Day). If you love to sing and/or play an instrument, we would love to have you join us. Our first jam session will be Saturday, April 8th. Contact Nancy Broege (253) 884 4375 (leave a message) if you would like to join us - the location will be determined based on how many respond.

**Welcome to Herron Island****Join us April 8, 2007 for Easter Sunrise Service****There will be a special ferry run at 7:00 AM from mainland for our guests and Main Landers.****Service starts at 7:15 AM, with coffee, hot chocolate, and special treats provided.****Come early and visit or help set-up, we thank you.**

**Our guests this year are sharing  
special music and wonderful old hymns:  
Harvy Roberts will provide a special Easter message., and  
Shad Gates will lead us in singing.**

**Come and experience a very special and wonderful time.  
We always finish with Brigitta Vogel's special clam chowder.**

**We look forward to seeing you****Community Garden News**

Spring has sprung! The growing season is now here.  
All returning gardeners must confirm their desire to use their plot  
by calling Dana G. 884-6898 by 3/30/07.  
After that date, new gardeners will be assigned a plot.

The biggest expense this year will be getting more 5:1 dirt mix.  
This expense must be shared equally by all gardeners.



Kudos to Denny D. for making the dirt arrangements.  
Steve W. has generously volunteered to rototill  
the garden after the dirt is applied.

Kudos to those who started the spring clean-up:  
Tootsie and Denny D., Kathy D. and Dana G.

## AROUND THE ISLAND

Where do you see us headed? Do you see the island as your escape from the city...a place to go without the responsibilities of everyday life? Do you feel you have put in your time, so let someone else do it now, burnt-out from work parties and lending a hand for all to benefit with little appreciation. Around the island there has always been a delicate balance between those who volunteer and those who do not. There are many reasons that people choose either: feeling passionate about a certain project, having to work, having time, not having time, having money, not having money. None of these choices are wrong or better, however, every choice results in consequences. The island seems to be moving toward a time where things could change from how they are. We could easily slip into a more managed island with full-time

Island and Office Manager, a Parks/Facilities Manager, and a security team. Yes, this is simply a vision of how things *could* change. How do you see the island?

What is it worth to you to have Booster events continue? To have the parks and facilities maintained, updated and developed? Most often volunteers are who have made the events a reality and volunteers who have donated their time and efforts to do the work, however our volunteers are getting to be fewer and fewer. What is the answer... how do we rebuild this valuable force? How do we get members to want to be active and involved in our community?

This May we will have three Board positions available. Are you willing to run for one of them? In September when the Boosters have elections, will you step up and throw your name in the hat and work toward rebuilding this valuable island asset. Let me hear from you!

[TheHerronIslander@yahoo.com](mailto:TheHerronIslander@yahoo.com) or

The Herron Islander

PO Box 904, Lakebay, WA 98349

## Did you know?

- **Did you know?** Many trees toppled and branches fell during the winter storms. To avoid fire hazards this summer, take time now to clean-up or call someone who can do it for you.
- **Did you know?** There are two sides to every story. Neither has to be wrong.
- **Did you know?** The does are about ready to have their babies. It is best to keep your dogs leashed to avoid possible unprovoked attack from these protective moms. Keeping your dogs leashed and under control HMC Rule G-5.

This column brought to you as another way to keep you informed. If you have a question of comment or idea to include please e-mail: The Herron Islander at:

**[TheHerronIslander@yahoo.com](mailto:TheHerronIslander@yahoo.com)**

**or mail to: The Herron Islander  
PO Box 904, Lakebay, WA 98349**

**SUMMER FERRY SCHEDULE (4/1 through 9/30)**

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Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day same as Sunday

**APRIL LOW TIDES CANCELLATIONS**

<b>Wednesday 4/18</b>	12:00—12:30
<b>Thursday 4/19</b>	No shuttles 12:00—12:30
<b>Friday 4/20</b>	2:30—4:00
<b>Saturday 4/21</b>	No runs 2:30—4:00, 4:30 may leave late
<b>Sunday 4/22</b>	4:30—5:00

**MAY LOW TIDES CANCELLATIONS**

<b>Saturday 5/5</b>	2:30—3:00
<b>Sunday 5/6</b>	2:30—3:00, 3:30 may leave late
<b>Tuesday 5/15</b>	12:00 may leave late
<b>Wednesday 5/16</b>	12:00—12:30
<b>Thursday 5/17</b>	12:00—12:30
<b>Friday 5/18</b>	No runs 12:00 to 3:00
<b>Saturday 5/19</b>	No runs 2:30 to 4:00
<b>Sunday 5/20</b>	No runs 1:30 to 4:00
<b>Monday 5/21</b>	3:30—4:00 may leave late
<b>Thursday 5/31</b>	12:00—12:30

*“Arrive early  
for the ferry to  
allow time for  
loading prior to  
departure time”*

## **RULE CHANGES**

Based on recommendations from the Parks Committee and the Rules Committee, the Board recently adopted changes to the Herron Island Rules that affect the small boat docks, the parks, and boat trailer parking. The changes are included in this issue of the Beachcomber for your review. You will note that fines have increased for all classes of violations, and that the classification of violation has changed for certain offenses.

Fines for rules violations have not been raised in some time. In some cases, fines were thought not high enough to be a deterrent to breaking a rule. However, the Rules Committee and the Board have the authority to reduce fines if warranted by circumstances. Note that the new fine schedule applies to all Island Rules.

Classes assigned to each rule were reviewed and changed if needed: Rule E-2 changed from a Class B to a Class C. Rules E-7, E-8, E-12, E-15 and E-17 changed from Class C to Class B violations. In addition, significant changes were made to existing rules and several Rules are NEW.

- Rule E-4 prohibits overnight parking of boat trailers and NO boat trailer parking at N. Beach during Herron Island observed holiday weekends.
- Rule E-11 is new, and limits the size of boat permitted to use the docks.
- Rule E-12 clarifies that only one boat per member may be tied up at the dock at any one time.
- Section J is new, and addresses restitution for damages to HMC property.

The Parks Committee will have an information table available during the busier holiday weekends so that members can ask questions about these changes. Our hope is greater compliance with all of our Rules will lead to increased enjoyment of our wonderful private island for all member and guests.

### **NEW RULES ADOPTED MARCH 10, 2007**

#### **E. Parks, Beaches, Small Boat Docks and Other Common Areas**

The provisions of this section apply to the island parks and the common areas that are dedicated to recreational use and enjoyment by members, renters, and guests. These areas include the North Beach Park, Goodpastor Park and associated wetlands, South Community Beach, and the Wildlife/Wetlands Park and any other HMC property that should be so designated in the future.

The North Beach Park, located on the northeast corner of the island, includes small boat dock and launching ramp, a picnic shelter with associated tables, benches and barbecue sites, a designated swimming area, a single designated fire pit, an area for horseshoe pitching, and portable toilet facilities.

Goodpastor Park is located near the center of the island and includes a children's play area, basketball facility, ball field, and areas for volleyball.

The South Community Beach is located at the south end of the island. It is an undeveloped area which connects by trail to the road at the southwest corner of the island. On this beach, members, renters, and guests may picnic, beach comb, swim, fish, dig clams, and catch crabs. **The sand spit and the lagoon at the northwest end of the South Beach are private property.**

E-1. Parks are closed from 11:00 p.m. to dawn. Loud noises and/or unruly behavior are prohibited at all times. ([Class B](#))

E-2. Motor vehicles may not be operated on park beaches, trails, lawns, or playfields, with the exception of lawn mowers or construction equipment as authorized by HMC. Motor vehicles are prohibited in all park areas except those designated for parking. ([Class C](#))

E-3. Long term parking of vehicles (exceeding 24 hours) is prohibited. ([Class B](#)).

E-4. Overnight parking of boat trailers is prohibited at North Beach Park, Goodpastor Park, or any other community area. (Exception: No boat trailers to be parked at N. Beach area during Herron Island observed holiday weekends for Memorial Day, Independence Day or Labor Day.) Boat trailers must be returned to a member's property for overnight storage. ([Class B](#))

E-5. Overnight camping and RV parking is prohibited in all parks and common areas. ([Class C](#))

E-6. Beach gravel or sand may not be removed from park areas. It is illegal under the Washington Shoreline Management Act to remove sand or gravel from any beach. ([Class B](#))

E-7. Common areas and facilities must be maintained in a clean and orderly manner. Litter must be placed in designated containers or carried away when leaving. ([Class B](#))

E-8. Except as otherwise provided in this section, personal property (property not belonging to HMC) may not be stored or left unattended in common areas. ([Class B](#))

E-9. No structures may be erected nor signs be posted in common areas without prior authorization by the Board. ([Class C](#))

E-10. Swimming in the dock or boat launching area is prohibited. Swimming is allowed only in the designated area. ([Class C](#)) Swimming is at your own risk.

The Herron Island small boat dock, launch and beach areas are private for the exclusive use and benefit of Members and their guests. The privilege of using the small boat dock, launch and beach area is conditional upon compliance with the terms of these rules and any instructions posted by HMC.

E-11. Boats exceeding 32 ft in length are ONLY permitted to use the load/unload zone and are limited to a maximum of 1 hour. ([Class B](#))

E-12. One boat per membership, including guest, will be allowed use of the North Beach Small Boat Dock at any one time. ([Class B](#))

E-13. All member boats must have a valid HMC decal prominently posted near the operator's station or the bow. Member boat trailers must also display a valid decal in a prominent location near the trailer's tongue. Any guest boat using the small boat dock must have a valid guest pass posted so it is visible from the dock. ([Class C](#))

E-14. Docking schedule is as follows: Designated load and unload zone: 1 hour maximum  
Short term docking: 24 hours maximum ([Class B](#)). Dock use is your own risk.

E-15. Boats 32 ft in length or less can load and unload at any area on the small boat dock; however, **the designated load/unload zone has a 1 hour maximum use limit.** Compliance with this rule promotes the greatest possible use by all members and insures back-up emergency vessel docking, if needed. ([Class B](#))



E-16. Water and/or jet skiing is prohibited in the vicinity of the boat launch, dock and swim areas at the North Beach Park. These activities may use the beach area extending southward from the sand bar. ([Class B](#))

E-17. All vessels and personal watercraft must maintain low speeds not exceeding 5 mph (no wake) until beyond any no-wake buoy markers or 300 ft beyond the small boat dock, launch or beach areas. ([Class B](#))

E-18. To prevent damage due to tide changes, vessels may not be tied up to the pilings. Fenders are required on vessels while docked. ([Class C](#))

E-19. Small boats may not be left unattended on the beach area at North Beach Park, but may be stored in the designated area at the south end of the bulkhead. During the winter season only (November 1st through March 30th) mooring will be allowed in the area between the north spit and the boat launch. ([Class B](#))

E-20. Boat mooring or anchor lines may not cross the beach area at the North Beach Park; however, such lines may be used in the area extending southward from the sandbar. ([Class C](#))

### **I. Schedule of Fines**

Violations of the Rules are classified as Class A, B, and C. Fines for each class of violation are specified below.

The Board or the Rules Committee has the authority to reduce these fines when circumstances warrant. The fines will constitute assessments secured by a lien upon any lot belonging to or occupied by the person against whom they were assessed and will be collectable in the manner provided by [HMC Bylaws](#).

Penalties for violations beyond a 3rd offense may be determined by action of the Board.

<b>Violation</b>	<b>1st Offense</b>	<b>2nd Offense</b>	<b>3rd Offense</b>
<b>Class A</b>	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$5,000
<b>Class B</b>	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000
<b>Class C</b>	\$100	\$200	\$300

### **J. Damages to HMC Property**

In addition to any of the fines in Section I, the HMC Board or the Rules Committee may also impose an assessment secured by lien for restitution of any damages to HMC property.

*The above Rules taken from Rules dated March 10, 2007. A full set of HMC Rules are available in the HMC Office and will be mailed in the near future.*



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