



HMC Newsletter April 2014



#### **President's Message**

The spring rain has brought forth growing grass and along with the grass the weeds have also started springing up. Pierce County is very active in controlling a weed called Tansy and Herron Island seems to get inspected every year. Last year the County ticketed some of our Members and in one case took action. This action resulted in the County sending a team to the island and removing the Tansy from the Members property. The Member then received the bill from the County and it was not discounted.

This last weekend I had two Members ask me what I use to control the Tansy and thistle on my property. What I use is a concentrated product called Crossbow that I mix with water and apply with a tank sprayer. Crossbow is a herbicide that is engineered to target specific weeds with Tansy and thistle on top of the list. It does not kill the grass or other desirable vegetation and was developed for farm applications. I and others that have used this product have found it to be very effective in killing the Tansy and thistle. If you don't mind using chemicals to control these weeds to avoid having to pull them you may want to give Crossbow a try. The next question that I was asked is where to purchase this product. I purchase mine at McLendon Hardware but you could try Del's Feed, Wilco or the internet.

If you don't like using chemicals then please pull the Tansy to avoid the County notice arriving in the mail. If you don't control the Tansy, either using chemicals or pulling the Tansy, the County will do it for you and send the bill your way. Considering what happened last year with one of our Members it appears the County is taking a more aggressive action regarding Tansy and the grace period is gone.

The weather is turning warmer and more Members are coming out to their property. This means that our population is increasing and children are starting to be out and about on the roads. Please drive carefully,

watch for children coming around corners or darting across the roads. A couple extra minutes driving slower and paying a little more attention could save a lifetime of heartache. Also please pay attention to the crew when loading or leaving the ferry. Texting while driving on the ramps or onto or off the ferry is an accident that will happen at some point of time. The ferry crew has seen drivers' texting while driving and I noticed it last weekend also. It only takes a moment of distraction to hit another car or scrape the side of the ferry or ramps. For those that have to have vehicles repaired you know that nothing is a minor expense and it seems that vehicles dent a whole lot easier now than they did a few years ago. Please drive carefully, pay attention, be safe and enjoy the spring and upcoming summer months.

#### Gary Wanzong, President HMC Management Board of Directors

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(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.

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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. 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 12 2014

#### **Administration:**

**Volunteers:** Overdue note of appreciation to Mike Shettlesworth, who every week takes out the office trash cans for emptying. And to Leslie Sanderson, for assisting with the Community Building cleaning. Much appreciated! When spring arrives, we will be looking for volunteers to recaulk and possibly repaint the exterior of the Community Building. Rain gutters may also need some attention.

The big volunteer event will be the installation of the small boat docks on April 19<sup>th</sup>, Easter weekend. Please plan to turn out, and hope for good weather. Many hands make light work.

**Reserve Study:** The reserve studies for HMC and for HIWD are complete. They show little difference from the previous year, because of the continuation of reserve funding and the payment of ferry engines by special assessment. Reserves were also used in the replacement of the sport court, which substantially extended the life of that island asset.

**Insurance Renewals:** Probably as a result of some of those investments, our island insurance policies will only rise an average of 1.4%. Our broker tells us that 3-5% is the more common range, so this is good budget news for next year.

**Tree Trimming:** No word yet from PenLight regarding their arrival on the island to trim trees. A list of 17 members asking for wood chips has been sent to PenLight.

**Audit of 2012-13:** The 2013 Audit is complete and now posted on the HMC website.

<u>Water Operations</u>: A member filed a complaint with the Pierce County Health Department regarding the placement of concrete chunks at the pump station, where they will form a foundation for other uses at the site. Unfortunately, the County Health Department was told this was an emergency, and an inspector had to be called from Ketron Island to Herron Island. The inspector found nothing amiss, since HMC had already checked plans for the site with the State Department of Health and Pierce County Planning and Land Services. A simple check with the office or the Water System Manager would have relieved the inspector from this false alarm. It is HMC's practice to work with the regulatory agencies to avoid code violations and to assure public health and safety, and we urge you to check with the office before unnecessarily calling code enforcement.

<u>Water Committee Report:</u> The Water Committee met April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Committee agreed that the language regarding Refusal or Discontinuance of Service should be added to the existing Water Administrative and Operating Policy. A final draft will be brought to the Board at its next meeting.

The Committee also discussed how to wrap up the final Cross Connection surveys which have not yet been submitted. These few members must comply with the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) requirement to submit the survey. They will receive a letter giving them a final chance to respond before a lock is placed on their water meter. This denial of service is required by the WAC, to guard against water system contamination from backflow. Administrative costs from Northwest Water Systems for managing this requirement will be passed along to the member.

The small group of members who have cross connection devices will be invited by letter to satisfy the annual inspection requirement by 1) scheduling and paying for the inspection themselves, with test results forwarded to HMC; or 2) opt in to an annual group inspection to be paid by HMC and individually billed to the affected Member's water bill. This authorization would remain in place until the member advises HMC in writing that they wish to cancel the service.

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## Island Manager Report (Continued from Page 3)

The Water System Manager is preparing another edition of "Tapped" to respond to a series of member questions, including a future rate study.

<u>Water System:</u> Despite many written warnings, members and contractors continue to dig very close to the meter or work close to the meter without notifying the Water System Manager. Meters cost about \$400 each, and the cost of replacement will be assessed to the responsible member, should it be damaged. Please contact <a href="https://mxwater@herronisland.org">https://mxwater@herronisland.org</a> or 206-707-4645 to let the Water System Manager know what you would like to do, before a mishap. Damaging a public water system is a criminal offense, and you could be liable for damages, so please avoid this problem.

#### **<u>Fire Department Liaison:</u>** No report.

**<u>Land Use:</u>** Committee Report (Merry Kogut):

"The Land Use Committee (LUC) continues to work with the Board on its review of its recreational vehicle policy and accompanying "Form 13." It has submitted a spreadsheet of all recreational vehicles on the island that was current at the time the spreadsheet was submitted.

With help from former Chair Kathy Deuster, LUC is working on the Board's request of an inventory of members' possible encroachments on HMC property.

We don't know who has jurisdiction, but LUC is making an inventory of ditches alongside HMC roads that owners have failed to maintain. During our very wet March, 2014, many unmaintained ditches caused flooding of neighbors' properties.

LUC will work with the Roads and Water Committees to address this problem, and recommend to the Board and Boosters that we all sponsor a work party to help owners who are physically or financially unable to keep their ditches cleared and flowing.

The current island rules address ditches, and space between owners' properties and HMC properties, and so have past versions. The current rules state:

- C-9 Ditches and Culverts
  - a. Owners shall maintain ditches and culverts between their property and the maintained roadway to keep them flowing freely and to prevent erosion and flooding. (Class C). Work done by property Owners to keep roadside ditches and culverts clean does not require a permit or permission from HMC.
  - b. Ditches may not be covered over and culverts may not be installed without the prior written approval of the Board or the Island Manager after the submission of plans for the work.
- C-10 Owners who desire to do work or have work done on Herron Island roads or within any HMC-owned road right-of-way, other than maintaining ditches and culverts per Rule C-9, and whether the work is done on part of the maintained roadway or not, must first obtain written approval from HMC, as evidenced by an Encroachment Permit (HMC Form 11), available from the HMC Office.

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### Island Manager Report (Continued from Page 4)

C-11 Owners shall keep grass and other groundcoverings on the roadside between their property and the
maintained roadway clean and trimmed. If an Owner does not maintain this area clean and trimmed, HMC
may perform the maintenance and charge the Owner for the work. (Class C) Note: Failure to keep grass
trimmed could create a fire hazard; a cigarette improperly disposed of in the grass can easily start a fire.

#### Manager's Report:

Pierce County is embarking on an update of the Comprehensive Plan, which could eventually result in some changes in zoning. Any property owner who is interested in a rezone should contact the County at Realize 2030 – Comprehensive Plan Update. HMC has submitted a request regarding the impact of the Shorelines Act on a small island (200 foot setbacks required for many activities), a zoning review of the pump station site, and a rezone to allow certain commercial activity to take place. Formerly there were a few places on the island which were zoned Commercial, but in the last rezone the entire island was tagged R-10 (residential).

HMC has worked through issues with a Member regarding excavation into an HMC roadway easement and reached an agreement without litigation about restoration of the property, to be accomplished by October 2014.

Pierce County has recently adopted amendments to its Building Code strengthening the County's ability to abate public nuisances arising from abandoned or unmaintained structures. Anyone with a concern about such a structure on Herron Island should contact the County Planning & Land Services Department. HMC has used this avenue to alert the County to a handful of residences on the island which may be subject to the new regulation.

#### **Emergency Preparedness:** Committee Report.

<u>Parks</u>: Committee Report (Tracy Anspach): "If the weather behaves itself, Terry Fletcher will be cleaning the docks and Tracy Anspach will be staining them before they are launched on April 19<sup>th</sup>. There is still some float work to address that morning and we've got the equipment ordered to get the job done. <u>NOTE</u>: <u>Dock installation set for 9 a.m.</u> April 19<sup>th</sup> – great volunteer opportunity!

Parks is also recommending the purchase of a Cub Cadet LGTX1054 mower to replace the existing mower. Mowing will be done by HMC employees. Although Parks put out word that they were accepting bids, they did not hear any interest. Future projects will include fencing around the sport court, so stay tuned.

Terrill and Tracy hope to see you all at North Beach on April 19, for the work party."

**Roads:** Committee Report. Arrangements will be made soon for road grading and delivery of gravel via barge to the island.

**Rules:** No outstanding complaints.

#### **Herron Island Ferry:**

<u>Ramps:</u> The meeting scheduled for April 8 has been rescheduled to 1 p.m. April 18, at the Community Building. This meeting will be an opportunity to discuss condition of the ramps, alternatives to the current ramp decking, the process and timing for the work to occur. One more meeting will take place April 25<sup>th</sup>, prior to the presentation of recommendations to the Board at its May meeting.

<u>Legal Liaison:</u> We currently have 15 active delinquencies, of which 8 are with the attorney for action. Delinquency rate of 3.9%. Last year at this time we had 16. Currently, HMC has 387 Assessable Units and 397 Water customers.



#### **Board Member Email Addresses**

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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.

#### **Package Delivery**



If you order packages to be delivered to the mainland terminal, please track their delivery so you can be available to pick them up or make other arrangements. It is not the responsibility of the ferry crew.

#### **Easter Sunrise Service**

#### **On Herron Island North Beach**

Sunday, April 20, 8:30 AM

Longbranch Church Pastor John Day will be our special guest speaker.

**Special Music** 

Your Hosts
Dallas and Rondi Amidon

#### **Easter Sunrise Service**

Due to scheduling concerns, the ferry will not be making the special run scheduled on Easter Sunday as previously reported. The ferry will be operating on its normal summer Sunday schedule with the first run at 07:30 am from the island and 08:00 am from the mainland. The Sunrise Service sponsored by Dallas Amidon will still be held at North Beach but has been postponed to 8:30 AM.

#### **Website Photos**

If you have any photos from island activities that you would like to share on our website, please send them to webmaster@herronisland.org.





#### Reminder

Requests for reimbursement must be accompanied by a receipt and received by the office by the Thursday before the Board Meeting to be included in the list of bills to be approved by the Board. Failure to get your bill in on time will result in a delay in payment until the following month.

#### **Concerns or Ideas**

All Members are invited to voice their concerns or ideas by using the Member Input email address, contacting the Board Members or the HMC Office:





#### Are You on the List?

HMC now has 335 Member email addresses on the notification list. If you want to receive updates about the water project, 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 <a href="mailto:office@herronisland.org">office@herronisland.org</a> and request that your email address be added. To be used for HMC purposes only.

#### HERRON ISLAND SAILBOAT RACE SUNDAY - MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MAY 25TH. 3:00 PM



Come join the "Almost Famous" Herron Island sailboat race. Register at North Beach picnic table with pink umbrella or call Anita cell 253-820-8030. Trophies presented to monohull and multihull winners. Start 3:00 At 2:55 there will be a short horn to get ready and at 3:00 a long horn blast to start.

Start and finish is line of sight from North Beach flagpole to end of ferry ramp on mainland.



Spring has sprung.... It's time to install the Boat Docks.... All hands on "dock"!
When: Saturday, April 19 at 9:00 am

Where: North Beach

Lunch provided
(Dianne's yummy homemade meat balls and mac-n-cheese)
Request volunteers bring salads,
sides and desserts to accompany!

#### **Board Candidates Needed!**

Please consider running for the Board of Directors. An application is printed on Page18 of this issue and must be turned in to the office by 10:00 AM on May 10th. Two positions will be filled at the Annual Membership Meeting on June 14th.

We would like to encourage those Members who are not here full time to consider this opportunity. If you are gone for the winter, we have the capability of having a Conference Call meeting, whereby you can hear everyone in the room and they can hear you. The Board had a trial run of this method at the October, 2013 meeting and it worked very well.



#### **Reminder for Everyone**

Members returning to the Island for the first time this spring, are reminded to run their outside faucets long enough to clear any debris out of the pipes, before running it inside the home. This should save headaches later.

#### **GARDEN REMINDER**

Spring has sprung and there is still time to reserve your plot in the Community Garden. Returning gardeners must confirm their desire to use their last years plot. New gardeners, we look forward to your being part of this wonderful island resource. Please join us!



If you have not done so yet, please call or email Betty to confirm by May 31. After this date, multiple plots will be assigned to those interested if plots are available.

Betty Eccles 206-940-5439 or bettyeccles@comcast.net



#### **Assessment Reminder**

The second half general assessments were billed April 1st. Payments are due no later than 4/30/2014. Payments that are not postmarked or received by April 30th will incur a \$30.00 handling fee.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP OF THE MONTH THE GRAB AND GO BUCKET

It's happened! You are being ordered to evacuate immediately. Thankfully, you are prepared and don't spend a moment trying to figure out what's important to take and what isn't all the while risking your life and the lives of your family. What separates your experience from the woes of the unprepared is the presence of "Grab and Go Bucket" or "Grab and Go Backpack".

For a quick evacuation, store the following supplies (for 1-2 days) in a 5-gallon bucket with a lid or other container such as a backpack.

- A flashlight and radio with extra batteries
- Water and non-perishable food
- Bandages and a first aid kit
- Extra supplies of medications
- Toothbrush/paste, soap, towel
- Toilet paper
- Special family needs (diapers, feminine hygiene items, etc.)
- Emergency poncho and blanket
- A local map
- Family documents, including drivers license, insurance information, out-of –area contact number stored in a zip-lock bag
- Photos of family members and pets for re-unification again, in a zip-lock bag
- Set of keys to your home and car
- Whistle and dust mask
- Multipurpose pocket knife and duct tape
- Large plastic trash bags

## Please join us for our next Emergency Preparedness Meeting, May 10 at 12:30 in the Community Center.

**Help/OK** signs designed to assist your Herron Island Search and Rescue Team following a disaster will be available at the meeting

For more information go to: <a href="http://www.doh.wa.gov/Ermergencies/">http://www.doh.wa.gov/Ermergencies/</a> EmergencyPreparednessandResponse.aspx

#### **Beachcomber FYI**

Several requests have been made to have articles included in the Beachcomber to let Members know about upcoming charity fundraisers. These notices are welcome but must be submitted as paid advertisements.



# TICK TALLY TIME WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REQUESTS THAT PUBLIC SEND IN TICKS.

#### Send Us Your Ticks

Help us understand tick-borne disease risks in our state. Send us ticks found on you, a family member, or a pet so we can identify the species.

Tick Identification Submission Form (PDF)

Studying ticks to better understand where various species live in Washington and whether they carry diseases is important. The state Department of Health is again asking people to send in ticks they find outdoors. Of the 346 ticks tested last year, just over 2 percent were carrying the Lyme disease bacterium, and two ticks were positive for the bacterium that causes anaplasmosis, another tick-borne illness. The agency is currently testing ticks for the pathogens that cause Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, babesiosis, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, and tularemia. Relapsing fever isn't among the tests currently being done since the ticks that carry this are already well documented.

Exposure to ticks can happen in most parts of the State. While tick-transmitted diseases are uncommon in Washington, they can be quite serious. One bite from a disease-carrying tick can leave severe and long-lasting health problems. Initial symptoms may include fever, headache, fatigue, muscle aches, or rash. If you develop any of these symptoms after a tick bite, see your health care provider and tell them about your tick exposure.

If you find a tick attached to your skin, don't panic. Promptly remove it by using fine-tipped tweezers and grasping the tick as close to skin surface as possible, pulling upward with steady, even pressure. Don't remove the tick with bare hands or twist or jerk the tick - this could cause mouthparts to break off and remain in the skin. After the tick removal, wash your hands and clean the bite area. Note the date you found the tick and let your health care provider know you were bitten by a tick if you become sick with a flu-like illness or rash within a month of the bite. The best protection against these diseases is avoiding tick bites. Before heading outdoors take steps such as wearing light-colored clothing that makes it easier to see dark-colored insects; tucking your pants into your socks and your shirt into your pants; checking yourself and your pets after spending time outdoors and treating your furry friends with an approved tick preventative.

Guard yourself from ticks by wearing insect repellent containing DEET or permethrin. Both are effective if used properly. DEET is applied to skin, and permethrin is applied to clothing. Carefully follow product directions.

#### FOR A HEALTHY DOSE OF INFORMATION:

http://www.doh.wa.gov or use the link Department of Health website

Article submitted by Robin Kelly You may contact Robin at <a href="mailto:giraffesheart@yahoo.com">giraffesheart@yahoo.com</a> or 253-884-1883



#### **TESTING YOUR ENVIRONMENT FOR TICKS**

(information taken from the FAQ page of tickencounter.org)

To sample nymphal deer ticks in woods and around the perimeter of residential properties, make a "tick flag" of white flannel cloth. Flannel is a great fabric for ticks to latch onto and the white color makes it easy to see the ticks on the fabric. Cut the flannel into an approximately 4' by 2'8" flag. Attach the flag to a foot long wooden pole. A broom stick cut into the appropriate length works well, as does a dowel. The best way to attach the flag to the pole is to use Velcro. One side of the Velcro is sewn onto the flag and the other side is glued to the pole. This allows the flag to pull off the pole if it gets caught on briars or sticks without tearing the flag. It also makes it easier to remove the flag for washing. A staple gun will work if sewing is not an option for you.

To use, drag the flag through deer tick habitat (humid and shady wooded, brushy, leaf litter, or grassy places) for 30 seconds then stop and check both sides of the flag. In a residential yard, do at least 15 or 20 samples—and if you sample between May 25 and June 25 in the proper habitat and don't collect any poppy seed-sized nymphs, then the risk of tick encounter is likely to be relatively low. It's very critical though to be sure that the flag is in near constant contact with the substrate. That's where the nymphal deer ticks are. Other ticks and other bugs also may latch onto the flag. To identify local species of ticks and their life stages, you'll find a Tick Photo Gallery on the Washington State Department of Health website <a href="http://www.doh.wa.gov">http://www.doh.wa.gov</a> or use the link: <a href="https://www.doh.wa.gov">Tick Photo Gallery</a>.

First and foremost: Dress appropriately and check yourself for tick encounters after sampling; you are exposing yourself to ticks while sampling!

#### **Around the Home Management**

Focus your management of tick habitat to areas frequently used by your family, not necessarily your entire property.

- Use brick, paving, decking, gravel, container plantings, and low water requirement plants to encourage bright sunny areas immediately around your home open sunny areas are less likely to harbor ticks.
- Keep grass mowed and shrubs trimmed, and restrict the use of groundcover in family or pet areas.
- Keep dogs and cats out of the woods to keep them from bringing home ticks. Tick control products are available for pets - follow label instructions and talk to your veterinarian if you have questions.
- · Widen woodland trails.
- Move swing sets, sand boxes, and other children play areas away from the edge of woods and place them on a wood chip or mulch foundation.
- Use plantings that don't attract deer or exclude deer through fencing.
- Practice rodent control to discourage rodent activity in and around your home.

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## B. O. O. S. T. E. R. S.

Band of Obviously Super, Terrifically Enthusiast Recreation Supporters

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! MAY 10, 2014 COMMUNITY CENTER 6:00PM

Time to get out of the house and come to a potluck to see and visit with all your neighbors again. The hall is warm and cozy and we guarantee lots of good food!

Add your ideas for projects and activities to the 2014 Calendar of Events

#### **Tide Tables**

Plots of the monthly tide tables are available on our website (herronisland.org). The plots are for nearby McMicken Island, which is the NOAA data point closest to Herron Island.





# **BOOSTERS EVENTS**

Saturday, May 24th, 2014 Goodpastor Park

Baseball - Youth and Adult Games Sign-Up 11:00 - 12:00 Youth Game—12:30—2:00 Adult Game— 2:00 - 4:00

> Sunday May 25th Community Center 9:00 AM

Coffee & Cinnamon Rolls
Island Apparel Sales
Junk in the Trunk Sales
2014 Island Directory Sales



North Beach 3:00 PM

Sailboat Race—Sign up at the pink umbrella or call Anita @ 253-820-8030



#### **Tansy Ragwort Removal**

Tansy ragwort is one of the more serious noxious weed problems in Western Washington. In fact, Tansy is considered #1 on Pierce County's 'Terrible Ten' list!

Tansy ragwort has made beautiful Herron Island its home. Tansy contains alkaloids that can accumulate and cause liver damage in livestock and pets, making it extremely toxic. It also displaces desirable plants due to its aggressive growth and prolific seed production.

The effort and cooperation made by Herron Island property owners in the control of Tansy ragwort has steadily increased, and together we are making progress!

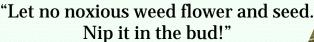
Control methods for Tansy ragwort include:

- Digging up the plant with the roots.
- Applying appropriate herbicide.
- Bagging flowers and throwing them in the garbage.
- Maintaining a healthy, vigorous cover of desirable plants.

Methods that do not work:

- Mowing will not control Tansy ragwort. Tansy will re-flower.
- Do not leave flowers on the ground. They can still go to seed.

Licensed Weed Inspectors from the Pierce County Noxious Weed Control Board will begin making routine inspections on the Island beginning the last week in May. If Tansy ragwort plants are discovered on your property, please eradicate them as soon as possible. Any questions concerning Tansy ragwort, control methods, a list of herbicide spray professionals, or compliance with the State Noxious Weed laws please call 253-798-7263. To leave a message with the Weed Inspector, please call 253-798-6844.





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# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE CHANGE IN MEETING SCHEDULE

The purpose of the Herron Island Emergency Preparedness Committee is to promote disaster awareness and preparation for our Island and its Members. We focus on Personal Preparedness, Neighborhood Response, and Island Infrastructure Preparedness and Response.

We meet bi-monthly, September through May, on the second Saturday of the month. We meet in the Community Building at 12:30 pm. (Bi-monthly meetings are in Sept, Nov, Jan, Mar, and May.)

We believe that working together is the only sure way to prepare for a major disaster. Demonstrate your commitment to your family and neighbors - join us.

Have Questions?
Contact Co-Chairs: Mike Shettlesworth 884-6919
Pat Zazzo 884-6719



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

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

#### **2014 Ferry Schedule Low Tide Cancellations & Adjustments**

APRIL				
Fri 4/18	2:30 pm—3:00 pm cancelled			
Sat 4/19	2:30 pm-3:00 pm no shuttles 3:00 pm departs early 3:30 pm 4:00 pm cancelled			
Tue 4/29	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			

	MAY
Wed 5/14	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled
Thu 5/15	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled
Fri 5/16	12:00 noon—3:00 pm NO RUNS
Sat 5/17	2:30 pm—3:00 pm cancelled 3:30 pm may depart late
Sun 5/18	2:30 pm—4:00 pm NO RUNS
Mon 5/19	3:30 pm—4:00 pm cancelled
Tue 5/27	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled
Wed 5/28	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled
Thu 5/29	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled
Fri 5/30	12:00 noon—12:30 pm no shuttles
Sat 5/31	2:30 pm may depart late

# Memorial Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will <a href="NOT">NOT</a> be transported <a href="after">after</a> the 12:00 NOON—12:30 pm run, Thursday, May 22, 2014 through the end of day, Monday, May 26.

<u>Note</u>: Monday, May 26, the ferry will operate of holiday schedule, same as Sunday.

NOTE: No shuttle means only one trip for that time.

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latest ferry schedule updates

JUNE				
Wed 6/11	12:00 noon may depart late			
Thu 6/12	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			
Fri 6/13	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			
Sat 6/14	11:30 am-3:00 pm NO RUNS			
Sun 6/15	2:30 pm-3:00 pm cancelled			
Mon 6/16	3:30 pm-4:00 pm cancelled			
Wed 6/25	12:00 noon may depart late			
Thu 6/26	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			
Fri 6/27	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			

## Independence Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will **NOT** be transported **after** the 12:00 NOON—12:30 pm run, **Thursday, July 3, 2014 through the end of day, Sunday, July 6.** 

Note: Friday, July 4 the ferry will operate of holiday schedule, same as Sunday.

JULY				
Fri 7/11	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			
Sat 7/12	10:30 am—12:00 noon NO RUNS			
Sun 7/13	11:30 am—12:00 noon cancelled			
Mon 7/14	12:00 noon—12:30 pm no shuttles 12:30 pm departs early			
AUGUST				
Sat 8/9	9:30 am-10:00 am no shuttles 10:30 am—12:00 noon NO RUNS			
Sun 8/10	10:30 am to 12:00 noon NO RUNS			
Mon 8/11	12:00 noon—12:30 pm cancelled			

## **Labor Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions**

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will **NOT** be transported **after** the 12:00 NOON—12:30 pm run,

Thursday, August 28, 2014 through the end of day, Monday, September 1.

<u>Note</u>: Monday, September 1, the ferry will operate of holiday schedule, same as Sunday.

**BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION** (Please complete and return to HMC office by 10:00 AM, May 10, 2014

NAME (as you would like to have it listed on the bal	[lot):
YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC:	
OCCUPATION:	
PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPER	RIENCE:
EDUCATION OR TRAINING (including scho	ool, military training, and professional courses)
Institution	Type of Training
HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COM	MMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:
GOALS: Please list goals you would have for HMC	C and Herron Island during your term on the Board.
CANDIDATE STATEMENT. DI	
CANDIDATE STATEMENT: Please do not	t include statements campaigning for or against other candidates.
Candidate's Signature	

#### ATTENTION ALL HERRON ISLANDERS

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NAME:	
ISLAND	
ADDRESS:	_
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ADDRESS:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
PHONE NUMBERS:	

If you would like to advertise in our phone book directory, please send your information along with \$20 payable to **HI BOOSTERS** so it can be included in the directory.

SEND ALL INFORMATION TO: Deb Kraft at: mrs.capttk@yahoo.com

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