



# The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

March 2020



## President's Message

Hello Neighbors –

I'm not going to write today about the road grading schedule or keeping your dogs on leashes. Frankly, none of that really matters given the public health crisis we are all facing.

As you know, we are heading into battle with the Covid-19 Coronavirus, a world-wide pandemic. As a Nation, we have not experienced an event like this since the Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918. Every aspect of our lives – work, finances, travel and even our ability to interact with each other is being impacted. The Puget Sound region has been affected early and particularly hard. It is spreading rapidly.

Please follow the recommendations from our public health officials. Your actions may affect your own health as well as someone else who may be at great risk. If we all do our part now, we can slow the spread of the virus and save lives.

I want to outline some of the changes you will see from HMC and make some suggestions to help keep you, your families, and our HMC staff safe.

### Our Ferry -

- The ferry crew are taking extra steps to keep themselves and you safe. They are using gloves and paying special attention to sanitation.
- Consider limiting your trips on and off the island. If you are a seasonal member, consider if you really need to visit. If you live on the Island, work with friends and neighbors to consolidate essential shopping trips.

- To reduce the handling of money please pay with ferry tickets or exact change.
- Limit your close interaction with the crew.
- When on the ferry, stay in your vehicle.

### Our HMC Office -

- The office remains open, although hours may be modified in the future.
- To protect our staff, do not go to the office unless it is absolutely necessary.
- Use the phone or email to interact with the office.
- Use the mail slot to drop items off at the office, even when the office is open.

### Our Meetings –

- March's Board meeting, committee meetings and Boosters' events were cancelled. Expect the same for April. At this point, there is no timetable for resuming in-person meetings.
- We will be setting up a video conferencing system to allow you to follow upcoming Board meetings.

### Stay informed –

- Please follow your local news and visit the Pierce County Health Department Website for information. The information changes daily. [Pierce County Public Health](#)
- Watch for emails from HMC. Email is our primary way to communicate with you. We promise to keep you informed. If you are not on the HMC email list, please contact the office to add yourself to the list.

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President's Message  
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I'm confident that we will eventually get back to enjoying ourselves together on Herron Island and talking about what a challenging and life-changing year 2020 was.

Reach out –

- Use the telephone, email, texting and social media to stay in contact with your families, friends, and neighbors.
- Remember to practice safe social distancing when interacting in person.
- Reach out if you need assistance.

Please stay safe,

Reed West  
Your HMC President

Life as we knew it has changed. There are no predictions for when things will return to "normal." If we each do our part and follow the recommendations of our public health experts, then together we will reduce the impact of Covid-19 on our community and on Herron Island.

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**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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**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](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](mailto: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 [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.

## **Island Manager Report March 14, 2020**

### **Administration:**

Thank you to Gary Wanzong for helping obtain/replace motors during multiple motor failures, supplies for the crew for COVID-19, and overall operations assist.

Thank you to the ferry crew for carrying on in uncertain times. They have cleaned, shined and updated documents in preparation for the upcoming USCG inspection. The inspection is delayed per USCG directive for 90 days.

### **Ramps/Gantries**

The island ramp will have a 5hp (vs 3hp) motor in a few weeks as recommended by the engineers whom reviewed the ramps. Gantry work is complete, this work is somewhat unpredictable and HMC thanks all members who were inconvenienced by cancelled ferry runs during completion. The work is scheduled for every 5 years.

### **Departments/Committees**

**Maintenance:** Gary Wanzong - No report

**Small Boat Docks:** Alan DeGood reports the following:

**Work party: May 2 @ 9:00 a.m., and May 9 @ 7:00 a.m**

Docks will be powerwashed to remove existing paint

- Boards will be replaced as needed
- Bottom hardware will be reviewed for needed repairs
- Docks will be finished with oil-based stain and sealant vs water-based paint used last time

**Parks:** Dale Miller –

- Parks Work Day – May 16<sup>th</sup>

**Policies:** Mike Gage – No report

- Thank you to Mike and Judy Gage, Merry Kogut, Jane Morgan and Kathy Deuster for all their hard work in completing a full review of HMC policies. Updated policies are posted on the website and a notebook is in the office with all current policies

**Roads:** Dan Marten – No report

- Grading to be scheduled for April
- Ditch cleaning to be scheduled

**Emergency Preparedness:** Ken Higgins - No report

**Water:** Frank Harrison - No report

- The Water Committee is looking for members- please contact Jane Wooster or Frank Harrison

**Rules:**

- No hearings scheduled

**Legal Liaison:** There are 30 delinquencies; 14 with our attorney for action.

## CHANGE OF DATE



Spring is Coming... It will soon be time to paint,  
repair and install the Boat Docks....

### Workday 1: Repair and Painting

When: Saturday, May 2nd at 9:00 a.m..

Where: North Beach

More information on food later.

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### Workday 2: Installation of the Boat Docks

When: Saturday, May 9th at 7:00 a.m.

(High tide is at 6:44 a.m.)

Where: North Beach

More on food later.

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All are welcome and encouraged to help

Dress warm, bring your gloves and community spirit. Join the activities.

## Ready for Gardening Season?

Time to get out your tools and put on your work gloves – it's the start of the 2020 growing season. This is an excellent time to be planting peas, lettuce, radishes, beets, and kale; as well as other cold weather crops. If you are like us, your mouth is already starting to water in anticipation of the taste of fresh vegetables, herbs, and beautiful flowers.

Returning gardeners must confirm their desire to use their last year's plot by calling or emailing Betty (contact information below) by April 1, 2020. Any gardener not returning should clean up their plot for the next gardener. New gardeners will be assigned a plot on a first come basis. Multiple plots will be assigned if there are less requests than plots.

Like all organizations, there are common responsibilities. These include: keeping your garden weed free, maintaining the paths that abut your plot (keep them clear and weed free), cleaning and maintaining garden equipment and tools you use and returning them to the sheds; locking the gates and tool sheds, and sharing annual expenses as they occur.

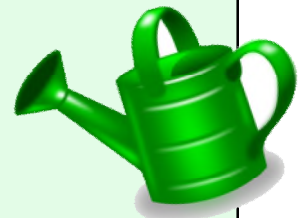
This amazing garden benefits our Community in so many ways:

- \*Improves the quality of life for all who are part of it
- \*Stimulates Social Interaction
- \*Encourages Self-Reliance
- \*Beautifies our wonderful Island
- \*Produces Nutritious Food
- \*Reduces Family Food Budgets
- \*Creates opportunity for recreation, exercise, and therapy
- \*Gives us a connection to the environment
- \*Creates a Sense of Community

Hope you will consider joining our Community Garden.

Call or email to reserve your plot.

Betty Eccles  
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206-940-5439







### Board Candidates Needed

This year there will be two 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 13, 2020

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 9, 2020.**

## 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:

RCW – Revised Code of Washington

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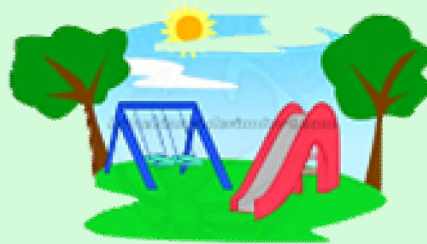
Reserve Study – budgeting tool required by state statute that lists all major components within your community and then compares upcoming projects with how much money is available.

b.

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.

## Parks Work Party



Saturday

May 16, 2020

At 9:00 am until 3:00 pm

Meet at Goodpastor Park (parking lot)

- BOOSTERS- will serve lunch 11:30 Community Center
- Task: clean up yard debris
- Equipment needed: gloves, chain saw, racks, shovels, weed eaters
- Contact: Dale Miller 209 479-0218

### Rules Committee News

The HMC Board thanks Beth Owen for four years of service on the Rules Committee, and most recently as Committee Chair. Beth stepped down at the end of February, 2020.

The HMC Board has appointed attorney Mike Fassio as the new Chair, and welcomes him to the Committee.



### Are You on the List?



HMC now has 405 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](mailto:office@herronisland.org) and request that your email address be added. To be used for HMC purposes only.

## 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.vesselfinder.com) and search for Charlie Wells in the find vessel box.

## FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

FREE furniture if someone wants it...you move it and it is yours!  
 From our cabin on Herron Island....we are close to ferry.  
 Recliner chair, big cozy chair, entertainment center.  
 We may be reached at sheriaengland@comcast.net

*Non-commercial ads of 100 words or less will be accepted for inclusion in this section free of charge. Please email your ad to beachcomber@herronisland.org, Subject: Beachcomber Ad. The ad must be resubmitted for each issue in which it is to be printed.*

### Board Member Email Addresses

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[HMCkathyDeuster@herronisland.org](mailto:HMCkathyDeuster@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.

### Committee Email Addresses

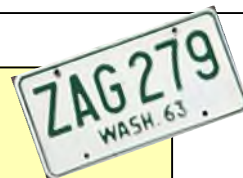
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### Is your Auto Decal Current?



With the first half assessment billed and effective as of October 1st everyone should have their new auto decal affixed to the lower driver's side corner on the windshield of their car. These decals are required by the Ferry Access Policy to ensure that only members in good standing are able to access the ferry. Each decal has an expiration date and your vehicle's license number which must match the plate on your car. Only vehicles owned and registered in the name of the member or authorized renter can receive an auto decal. Swapping of decals or sharing with non-members is not permitted.

NOTE: If you have an expired decal on your vehicle and wish to board the ferry, (and the deckhand's iPad records shows you to be a member in good standing), you will be permitted to board **but you will be charged the guest rate until the current decal is affixed.** We realize that this may be an inconvenience for some, but please don't take it out on the ferry crew. They are just doing their job at the instructions of the HMC Board. It is in everyone's best interest that the Ferry Access Policy be followed. Please do your part and make sure your decal is current before you arrive at the ferry dock.

The complete Ferry Access Policy can be found on the front page of the HMC website.

### 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. See Item 6 of the [HMC Real Estate Policy](#) on the website. 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.



## SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP BILLINGS

**Note:** Bills that are not received or postmarked by the 25th of the month they are due are late and subject to a late fee.

**General Assessments:** Assessments for the general fund are billed semi-annually.

half: Billed and Due October 1	1st
half: Billed and Due April 1	2nd

**Water Assessments:** Assessments for water-related services are billed quarterly.

quarter: Billed and Due November 1	1st
quarter: Billed and Due February 1	2nd
quarter: Billed and Due May 1	3rd
quarter: Billed and Due August 1	4th

**Special Assessments:** These are billed and due on the first day of the month as designated by the Board of Directors.

**Miscellaneous Billings:** These are other items billed to your Member account, such as charged Ferry fees for contractors. They are billed and due on the first day of the month following the month in which the item was processed.

As noted above Late Fees will be charged to your Member account if your payment is not received or postmarked by the 25th of the month in which the payment is due. Late Fees vary and can be found in the Member-approved Fee Schedule on the Herron Island website.





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													
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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.**

Reservations must be made with the ferry when towing or a vehicle exceeds 25 feet prior to arrival.

Ferry Cell Phone: 253-691-1457. Users are asked to arrive at least ten minutes before the scheduled departure time.

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	\$175.00	\$175.00
911 Medical Runs off the Island	Free	Free

Basic Ferry Safety Rules
Smoking is not permitted.
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 silt integrity. Containers must be properly secured for transit and 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.
A reservation 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 than 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.
Set parking break and turn off engine when loaded.
Do not start engine until directed by the crew.
Turn off all vehicle lights while on the ferry, ramp or pier 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 guests 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.

## 2020 HMC Scheduled Ferry Low Tide Cancellations and Adjustments

### April 2020

Fri 4/10	2:30-3:00 cancelled
Sat 4/11	3:30-4:00 cancelled, 4:30 departs 4:50
Sun 4/12	3:30-4:00 cancelled, 4:30 departs 4:50

### May 2020

Thu 5/7	12:00-12:30 cancelled; Add 2:30-3:00
Fri 5/8	12:00-12:30 cancelled, 2:30 departs 2:40
Sat 5/9	No service 12:25-3:25
Sun 5/10	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Mon 5/11	3:30-4:00 cancelled 4:30 departs 4:45
Tue 5/12	3:30-5:00 cancelled, Add 1:00-1:30
Sat 5/23	No service 12:20-1:55
Sun 5/24	No service 12:45-2:40
Mon 5/25	No service 1:20-3:25
Tue 5/26	3:30-4:00 cancelled, Add 1:00-1:30
Wed 5/27	3:30-4:00 cancelled 4:30 departs 4:45

#### 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 21, 2020 through the end of the day Monday, May 25, 2020.

**Note:** Monday, May 25 the ferry will operate on the holiday schedule which is the same as the summer weekend schedule.

### June 2020

Wed 6/3	No service 10:15-11:15
Thu 6/4	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 1:00-1:30
Fri 6/5	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Sat 6/6	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Sun 6/7	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Mon 6/8	3:30 departs 3:50
Tue 6/9	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Wed 6/10	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Fri 6/19	No service 11:15-11:55
Sat 6/20	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Sun 6/21	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Mon 6/22	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Tue 6/23	12:30 departs 12:15
Wed 6/24	3:30-4:00 cancelled
Thu 6/25	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](http://www.herronisland.org) for schedule updates.
- **Add** means runs added out of normal schedule.

### July 2020

Thu 7/2	No service 9:20-11:30
Fri 7/3	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 1:30-2:00
Sat 7/4	10:30-12:00 cancelled,
Sun 7/5	10:30-12:00 cancelled
Mon 7/6	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Tue 7/7	12:30 departs 12:15
Wed 7/8	3:30 departs 3:45
Sat 7/18	10:30-11:00 cancelled, 11:30 departs 11:45, Add 2:30-3:00
Sun 7/19	11:30-12:00 cancelled
Mon 7/20	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 2:30-3:00
Tue 7/21	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 2:30-3:00
Wed 7/22	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 10:30-11:00
Thu 7/23	3:30 departs 3:45
Fri 7/31	9:00 departs 8:45

#### July 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2, 2020 through the end of the day Sunday July 5, 2020.

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

### August 2020

Sat 8/1	9:30-12:00 cancelled, Add 12:30-1:00 & 1:30-2:00
Sun 8/2	10:30-12:00 cancelled
Mon 8/3	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 2:30-3:00
Tue 8/4	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Wed 8/5	No service 1:00-2:15
Sun 8/16	10:30-11:00 cancelled
Mon 8/17	12:00-12:30 cancelled, Add 12:30-1:00
Tue 8/18	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Wed 8/19	12:00-12:30 cancelled
Thu 8/20	12:30 departs 12:15

#### 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 3, 2020 through the end of the day Monday, September 7, 2020.

**Note:** Monday, September 7, the ferry will operate on the holiday schedule which is the same as the summer weekend schedule.



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