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**FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

**SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS**

**2023**

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 23, 2023	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 28, 2023	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 18, 2023	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 16, 2023	9:00 AM

**FRIPP ISLAND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN HALL MEETINGS**

**2023**

SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 4, 2023	10:00 AM
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 11, 2023	10:00 AM



# Fripp Island

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# a letter from the editor

*"We may think that our decisions are guided purely by logic and rationality, but our emotions always play a role in our good decision making process."*

*- Salma Stockdale*

I discovered another new term today that not only helped self-diagnose a chronic condition, but made me once again feel that I wasn't alone. That term is "choice paralysis".

For me, this condition causes me to stand frozen in the cereal aisle for 10 minutes, just staring at all those boxes. This is my thought process: This is a week to two week commitment, so I have to be certain that I have chosen the right one, and not the one that best suits my mood for the day.

It's so bad, that when I go to the grocery store, I have to have everything written on my list, and I must not deviate from this list, or I will spiral into a FOMO (fear of missing out) moment. I will not make eye contact with the condiments or snack cakes. Head down and keep moving.

Making choices is very difficult for me, and this is also true with hobbies. I have over committed to multiple hobbies, and I feel like I don't have enough time to dedicate to one, let alone four or five, to get better at any of them. The end result is the same; feeling overwhelmed by the choice of how to spend my free time, and deciding it's too much of a decision, so I'll just binge old shows for 3 hours and proclaim that I have wasted another evening.

I think I would benefit from creating some sort of weekly or monthly itinerary from let's say February to the beginning of September. That way, I never feel that any time is wasted because I didn't bother to plan. I'm more of a "wing it" person, and that's not working out very well because I can't decide on how to spend my time.

This is not a problem in the fall. I have an appointment all day, every Saturday and Sunday with football games. It's the only time I'm decisive and feel zero guilt for spending an entire day in front of the tv. Without football season, I feel lost because I can't be an armchair coach and cheerleader. So football gives me a great sense of purpose, although I don't do a great job armchair coaching, I still enjoy it.

And thus, all those hobbies will take a backseat for the next several months because it's my time to shine as the person who led their team to victory because I remembered to wear my lucky socks, team jersey and sit in the same seat.

If only I could decide which football snack I'll be having each weekend.

*Stacie*





FIPOA

The Election Committee is  
Seeking Candidates for  
the FIPOA Board of Directors

## It is time to elect new members to our Board of Directors

**We are seeking to fill 3 Non-Resident (full term) and  
1 Resident (one year term) positions.**

*We want candidates with diverse backgrounds and skills.*

That is why we are asking **YOU** to consider running for the Board.

What better way for you to contribute?

We await your talents and leadership skills to help make Fripp Island even better!

You can fill out the application [online](#), or if you prefer to fill out the online pdf version, print it out to mail in, you can find the [pdf form here](#). If you have questions, please contact the Election Committee at [fipoanominee@gmail.com](mailto:fipoanominee@gmail.com).

*Candidates must submit completed forms and documents by October 15th, 2023, at 4:30 PM EST.  
We look forward to receiving your application.*

## FRIPP ISLAND REAL ESTATE UPDATE August 31, 2023

The following figures from MLS compare year-to-date sales on Fripp Island from January 1st through August 31st each year.

SOLD as of August 31st	2021	2022	2023
Homesites	84	47	23
Condos	24	14	16
Homes	79	50	53
Total	187	111	91

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AVERAGE SOLD PRICE	2021	2022	2023
Homesites	\$130,749	\$227,044	\$191,876
Condos	\$345,278	\$377,050	\$428,281
Homes	\$708,937	\$963,162	\$966,991
Homes avg. per sq. ft.	\$295	\$403	\$427
Homes avg. days on market	190 days	92 days	115 days

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### UNDER CONTRACT/PENDING as of August 31st

	2021	2022	2023
Homesites	16	12	6
Condos	12	3	1
Homes	21	15	12
Total	49	30	19

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### NUMBER OF ACTIVE LISTINGS on August 31st

	2021	2022	2023
Homesites	49	20	14
Condos	12	4	12
Homes	15	18	18

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*If your property is listed with another Realtor, this is not a solicitation.*

# Fripp Audubon Club

*Submitted by Travis Stewart*

It has been a great summer on Fripp and we are looking forward to kicking off another great year of presentations and trips. We are hoping many of our new owners will join and take part in all Fripp Audubon Club has to offer. If you are a member already thank you for your continued support. Now is the time to spread the word about membership. The money from membership is great, but we really need you to help make it even more special.



We had the opportunity to see an Osprey release on 5/31. An Osprey injured at the Ocean Creek golf course was rehabilitated by the Raptor Center.



On June 8th Alyssa Zebrowski (SC Audubon Shorebird Stewardship Coordinator) came to Fripp with Peggy Lucas from Harbor Island just

to get a feel for a possible Shorebird Stewardship program here. Alyssa confirmed the identification of a mating pair of shore birds called Wilson's Plover are raising their chicks on the north end of our island. Why is this significant? This pair of one of only 375 or so mating pairs in South Carolina. Because they face many challenges to their survival Wilson's Plovers are listed as State Threatened. As summer breeders, they nest just above the high tide mark and forage for food during low tide. You will see them running very fast while guarding their young that look like little cotton balls with toothpick legs. So don't forget when you are walking on the beach, watch for these tiny creatures that also call Fripp their home.



**Follow these steps to help protect our shorebirds:**

- Give birds plenty of space while on the beach so they can feed and nest without disturbance
- Be mindful of where you walk
- Keep dogs on a short leash
- Walk around flocks of birds
- Take all trash with you
- Do not feed wildlife.

This is also a great page for anyone interested to learn more about SC coastal birds: <https://www.dnr.sc.gov/wildlife/species/coastalbirds/index.html>

Our first outing is to Jarvis Creek Park on October 10th and the first meeting is October 26th. Dues can be paid now. We hope that you'll come join us!

## Fripp Audubon Club Annual Membership 2023 - 2024

Membership supports study, observation and conservation of the flora and fauna of the South Carolina Low Country, especially the coast, through educational guest speakers, outings (members receive first priority), Audubon in the Schools, wildlife tracking and habitat protection. Membership makes this all possible.

**Membership Year is July 1, 2023 - June 30 2024**

**Please Make a Difference and Consider Fripp Audubon Club Memberships**

Members are from Fripp Island, the Sea Islands, Beaufort and beyond.

### Member Levels:

\$500+	Painted Bunting
\$250	Eastern Bluebird
\$100	Osprey
\$ 50	Carolina Wren
\$ 25	Family
\$ 15	Individual

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Amount Enclosed\***

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Member (2) \_\_\_\_\_ new/renew (circle one)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Member 1) \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Make check to: **Fripp Audubon Club**. Attach this form to your check and bring to monthly meeting or mail to **Fripp Audubon Club, 199 Tarpon Blvd, Fripp Island, SC 29920**. The Club is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization (Federal ID# 57-0759146). Membership fees are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

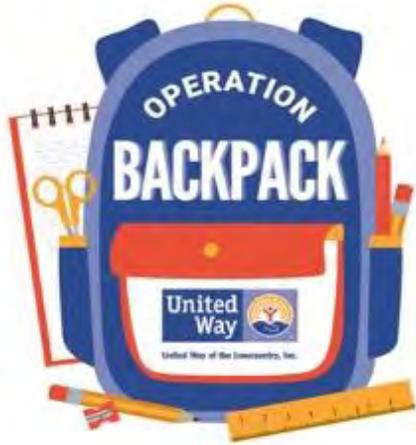
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Dear Fripp Residents:

The new school year has almost begun, and with the very generous donations of many, many “Frippers”, the St. Helena students will have backpacks full of supplies and new uniforms.

We collected \$2,530.00 during these few weeks of the Operation Backpack campaign, there were also many donations made online that I am unable to track. I am always so very proud of our little island as we give so generously to the United Way of the Lowcountry.

Thank you all!

Sincerely,  
Debbie St. John





# MENS Nine Hole Golf League

*Contributed By: Mike Wilt*

During the months of July and August the Men's nine-hole league played on seven of the nine scheduled Wednesdays with weather and Hurricane Idalia causing two Wednesdays to be canceled. A lack of participation in the group continues to be a problem. With the nine-hole league there are no skill level requirements, so interested players are encouraged to come out and give it a try. Also, the ability to play only nine holes as opposed to 18 certainly reduces the time commitment for this golf group and may appeal to those who do not want to commit to a full 18-hole event. Handicaps range from 15 -36 and all ages of players

are welcome. The games decided on for each Wednesday are all based on handicaps. Dean Wray is currently the President so you can contact him at 740-821-6458 if you are interested in joining or inquire at either of the pro shops for more information. The men's nine hole group is a no pressure, no stress group so come out and give it a try. Games during this time frame were Team Stableford, Bear Creek, Blind Partner, Best Team Low Net and Match Play.

Closest to the pin winners were Dean Wray, Joe Sullivan and Rick Stein twice each and the golf course won once.



Ed Smith was the big winner during this time period as he was victorious five times while Dean Wray won three times and Rick Stein and Joe Sullivan won twice each. Others winning once were Perminder Bindra, David Moore, Frank Davis and Rodney and Bryant Walker.

The group has tentative plans to have a match with the nine-hole women soon as the league returns to some sort of normalcy post-COVID.

During September the group will play at Ocean Creek and in October at Ocean Point, currently starting at 8:15 am. There are approximately 25 members of the men's nine-hole group.

Annual dues remain a bargain at only \$15 per year, and the fiscal year begins in November

The Foretees website is being used for the men's nine-hole group and you need to register before noon on Tuesday before the Wednesday event.

To sign up to play every Wednesday morning go to the website at

<http://web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/>

FIPOA Community Involvement

# HALLOWEEN

## PARTY



**TUESDAY OCTOBER 31 6:30PM**

DAVIS LOVE PARK ON OCEAN CREEK BLVD.



**COSTUME CONTEST AT 8PM**

**TRICK-OR-TREATING CANDY FOR THE KIDS**

**ENJOY LIVE MUSIC WITH EL CAMINO ("THE WAY")**

**ENTER THE PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST**



Carve or decorate a pumpkin and bring it to the FIPOA office at 225 Tarpon Blvd  
on Monday October 30 by 4:30 PM.

The pumpkins will be on display at the Halloween Costume Contest  
and winners will be announced.



We wanted to take a moment to give Beaufort Charities a very special Thank You. They came by on August 15 to deliver their donation of \$11,000 in handheld radios to the FIPOA office for our security staff. This is a huge help to our officers to communicate in the field, and we greatly appreciate the incredible generosity from Beaufort Charities!



*Barbie Girl Dancin' and Movin' Class and July 4th 5K and Parade Pics - Submitted by Iris Golden*



## Preserving Family Memories

Submitted by Donna Reichle

As a young girl growing up in a Midwestern city in the 1940s, one of my favorite summer activities was helping my mother, grandmother, and aunt “put up” the season’s bounty. Without central air conditioning, table fans were positioned around the kitchen, circulating the steam escaping the large blue enamel canning kettles simmering on the stove. Pots of hot water boiled so tomatoes could be plunged into them to loosen their skins, which were slipped off. Chopping boards and food grinders were set out to grind up the cucumbers, onions, and squash for relishes, and large crocks were placed on the counters, filled with salty brine for cabbages and cucumbers. When the day’s recipes were finally jarred and processed, the best part awaited: sampling the jellies, pickles, and sauces in the “tasting bowls”! It was a group effort that played out for weeks, with everyone taking this task seriously, knowing it was the only way their families would enjoy vegetables during the long winter months.

When my mother prepared the local harvest for her family, our family did not have a car. In order to purchase the bushels and pecks of

tomatoes and cucumbers she needed, we were at the mercy of my uncle to drive us out into the country to local farms, or, with much more difficulty, we boarded the local bus and road to the city market operated by many of the Italian, German, and Polish immigrants. Now, years later, I am still repeating this family tradition... canning these same vegetables and fruits for my own family, but blessed with the abundant produce from our sea island farm stands, and the convenience of my Cuisinart food processor having replaced the old hand-turned food grinder!

With only an old-fashioned “ice box” that we shared with my grandmother and aunt and uncle in what was called a “2-flat” to keep foods fresh, the purchased produce needed quick preparation and processing before it spoiled. Some of these recipes, such as sauerkraut and 14-day pickles, required planning ahead, and a busy mother could not predict whether she would be dealing with a sick child or other household catastrophe on that future canning day! But, no matter the interruption, they were up to the challenge and managed to complete their canning agenda!

These women were quite proud of the shelves of colorful jarred products their labor produced and looked forward to setting them on the overflowing picnic tables at the annual Labor Day gatherings. And, although honored when someone complimented them on their contributions to the feast, they were not eager to share their prized recipes upon request! Even I had to beg for some of the family favorites, and I treasure the handwritten recipes handed down by my mother for her chili sauce and by my aunt and grandmother for their “Heinz Pickles”!

I never thought I would turn out to be the one family member who has preserved these recipes through the years. I had also not imagined that I would end up being dubbed the “pickle lady” wherever we lived! However, my early attempts to follow in the footsteps of

these clever ladies were not very successful, and my canning career almost had an early demise! My first attempt to prepare my mother's wonderful chili sauce was on an electric stove in a very small kitchen, with a one-year-old toddler at my feet. Working around my son's nap times was not as much of a challenge as conquering the electric stove's quirks after cooking for my entire life on a gas range! It's difficult to get a 10-gallon enamel canning kettle's contents to simmer without turning the burner to HIGH...and then the bottom begins to burn while the top of the sauce is not even warm! Needless to say, my first batch of chili sauce was labeled "Tennessee Smoky Chili Sauce"!



By the time I was able to locate a local farm as a cucumber source, I had two more little ones... three in diapers with different nap schedules. Thus, juggling a 14-day pickle recipe became a real challenge, and my pickles turned out a bit soggy rather than crisp! Fortunately, I soon discovered a friend's 3-day recipe for Lime Pickles and have been making them since 1970! Not only are they enjoyed by family and friends, but they have claimed many blue ribbons, including "Best of Show" at local country fairs!

As finding just the right cucumber for the best results became a challenge, my husband began to scour seed catalogues each January, in hopes of finding seeds for the perfect variety for these popular pickles. He finally found a special burpless, seedless variety that he planted each year in our lakeside garden. Every summer, the prolific plants yielded hundreds of cucumbers that I turned into at least a hundred jars each season to share with family and friends. As I began to expand my canning activity, he returned to those seed catalogues, searching this time for peppers and tomatoes for my salsas and relishes. During those

years, I was blessed with a dependable supply of ingredients that guaranteed my shelves and counters would display hundreds of jars brimming with green and red delicacies!

As our family came to include grandchildren who loved these as well as my Kosher dills, several young grandchildren assisted me in preparing my lime pickles. From washing the cucumbers and slicing them into quarter-inch rounds, to soaking them in lime water and preparing their syrup, to jarring and processing them for long-term safe storage, they patiently stood on a stepstool at my side. As they grew to adulthood, I sent them off into the world with a family cookbook that included this favorite recipe. My son-in-law said that my pickles have to be "preserved" for the next generations to come. I hope these grandchildren will continue this tradition and share these stories with their children and grandchildren in the future. In doing so, they honor not just me, but those dedicated ladies in our family who stood long hours in steaming kitchens to preserve the summer's bounty to serve their families on those cold Wisconsin winter nights.











# MUSIC FOR YOU. PERFORMED ON FRIPP ISLAND

Submitted by: Margit Resch

We, the Fripp Island Friends of Music, invite you—no doubt also a friend of music—to join us for our 39th concert season. Membership, and thus access to all five concerts, is still only \$100 per person. Tickets for non-members are \$30 per person per concert. Included is a gathering after the performance where you can meet the musicians and enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres by Harold's Chef Services. What a deal! Where would you find a fabulous concert and free nibbles for \$20 or even \$30? And believe me, the musicians are world-class. Your attendance also helps us fund our Music-in-the-Schools program, where the musicians perform at a local school on the day after the concert.

Our season starts Sunday, October 22 at 5:00 pm with singer/songwriter Erin Bode and Grammy-award-winning pianist and composer Taylor Eigsti. Erin, a Minnesota native, has been delighting audiences with her pure voice, impressive phrasing and jazzy style for two decades, and her eight albums are all hits. You will not forget her singing and her songs, so the critics insist. Taylor Eigsti from Menlo Park, CA, also has eight albums to his name. He has toured and recorded with dozens of luminaries like Dave Brubeck, Chris Botti, Joshua Redman, Sting, John Mayer, Esperanza Spalding, and Chick Corea. Taylor and Erin together are unforgettable, you will agree.

On November 12, the Robert Lewis Quartet, which is enjoying a growing presence in the jazz community of the American South, will, no doubt, leave its remarkable mark on us. Robert Lewis has been hailed the most talented saxophonist in South Carolina. He is also a multi-instrumentalist, composer, arranger, band leader and educator. He serves as the Director of Jazz Studies at the College of Charleston and leads the acclaimed Charleston Jazz Orchestra, assembles laudable musicians for his trios and quartets. We might be privileged to experience both the performer and the educator.

Join us to welcome the New Year on January 7 with the intriguing Trio Encore. Judy Teehan, flute, Margaret Herlehy, oboe, and Dan Weiser, piano, will entertain us with what they described as follows: "Dancing rhythms and playful harmonics will bend and blend to create perfect sound! A carefully curated selection of well-loved classics and an introduction to new-found inspirations. Don't miss this seasoned arsenal of award-



# FRIENDS OF MUSIC 2023-2024 SEASON

winning musicians who bring the very best to each and every music performance!" I believe that you will come to agree with the music critic of the Newburyport Daily News, Massachusetts, who considered the combination of oboe and flute a "perfect blend."

You cannot miss the concert on February 25, when the world-renowned classical pianist Svetlana Smolina will honor us with her aural pleasures. According to The Herald Tribune, she brings the "audience close to frenzy, just as Chopin did in his concerts." And The Day claims she "gets the most extended standing ovations ever." Svetlana has enjoyed these kinds of remarkable responses all over the world, whether playing solo or with prestigious orchestras. Needless to say she has won countless international competitions and awards. She will certainly win our admiration.

Our season will be concluded on March 24 by the eclectic Afro-American ensemble named Roots Grown Deep under the stewardship of Joel Karabo Elliott, who, to quote from his website, is an

"Amer-Afrikan composer" and "musical healer." His concert promises to be a unique blend of guitar, voice, winds, piano and percussion, a unique blend of American and South African musical compositions, a genre-defying, captivating international musical feast, unlike anything you have heard before, I am sure.

To become a member of the Fripp Island Friends of Music, visit [www.frippfriendsofmusic.com](http://www.frippfriendsofmusic.com), or contact our Membership Chair Vanessa Peñaherrera at (704) 807-0255 or [vandy116@gmail.com](mailto:vandy116@gmail.com).

The Sunday concerts take place at 5:00 pm in the Community Center, 205 Tarpon Boulevard. Tickets at the door: adults \$30, students free, thanks to the Peg Gorham Memorial Fund. You get a free pass through the Fripp Island Security Gate.

And remember: You are invited to join the musicians at a complimentary catered reception after the performance. We hope to see you there.

Celebrating our  
39th Season!

October 22, 2023  
Erin Bode and  
Taylor Eigsti

November 12, 2023  
Robert Lewis Quartet

January 7, 2024  
Encore

February 25, 2024  
Svetlana Smolina

March 24, 2024  
Roots Grown Deep

A Basic Membership  
saves you \$50 per  
person over the cost of  
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tickets for each concert!

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## Questions about membership?

Contact Membership Chair, Vanessa Peñaherrera  
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(704) 807-0255 (text or call)

# *Captain Ralph's Cooking Corner*

*Contributed By: Captain Ralph Goodison*



Time to look at two of our favorite foods on Fripp Island, Shrimp and Blue Crabs. We have some of the best on the east coast, but an amazing fact there are 4,500 species of crabs and some are as big as 12 feet as in the Spider Crab family. There are 60 species of shrimp. On Fripp we are eating 2 species of shrimp; brown in the spring and white in the fall. There is also a less common pink shrimp we find in our area.

Blue Crabs - Before we start with crabs, may I suggest an easier way to cook crabs. Field strip crabs by breaking off the two big claws, break off little claws and body shell. You now have the parts you eat and make it easier to cook and then less mess at the table. Whether your crabs are field stripped or entire crab into boiling water with your favorite crab seasoning and cook to a pink color and get ready with your crackers and picks to enjoy great eating. Crabs not eaten can be put in the fridge to eat at a later date.

### CRABMEAT DIP

5 oz. crabmeat	1/2 tsb. horseradish
4 Oz. Cream Cheese	1 Tbsp. Chopped onion
1 Tbsp. Chopped onion	1 Tbsp. milk
Salt and Pepper	2 Tbsp. Chopped Pecans

Blend softened cream cheese milk and all other ingredients till smooth. Sprinkle chopped pecans on the top. Bake at 375 for 20 minutes or microwave on full power for 30 seconds. Serve Warm.

### SHRIMP

You may steam/cook shrimp as you desire but my favorite recipe comes from Famous Antoine's Restaurant in New Orleans. Cook shrimp in a frying pan, heat start cooking and add a half a can of beer. Add a cut up half a stick of butter (turning Shrimp) and seasoning to taste. Continue turning to all the shrimp that are pink, and drain in a strainer and get ready for great eating.

### SHRIMP DIP

1 1/2 lb. shrimp	1 cup mayonnaise
2 oz lemon juice	3 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 cup plain Yogurt	1 small grated onion
Pepper to taste	

Cook clean and deveined shrimp for about 7 minutes (add pepper) When cooled, chop shrimp finely and cover with lemon juice. Refrigerate and when cool pour off lemon juice and add other ingredients and mix and get ready for great Shrimp Dip. ENJOY

# PSD Hires New District Manager

*Submitted by Ed Wetzel, Chairman FIPSD  
Commission*

The Fripp Island Public Service District (PSD) is pleased to welcome Jeremy Sponseller as our new District Manager.

Jeremy has over 25 years of experience in the Public Services field, including contract operations and management services to water and wastewater utilities, serving as Capital Program Manager to a large water and sewer district, and working as a Project Manager for an engineering consultant.

Jeremy moved to the Low Country from his native Indiana in 2020. He has Bachelor of Sciences degrees in both Biology and Environmental Science and is a licensed wastewater treatment and drinking water treatment plant operator.

Jeremy and his wife Rebecca, along with their three boys, Landen, Corbin and Evan, live in Moss Creek, near Hilton Head Island. He began working for the PSD on August 21 and looks forward to engaging with our customers on a regular basis.

Please stop by the office and say hello.





# Fripp Island Yacht Club 2023 –2024

<b><u>2023</u></b>	
September 23	Oyster Roast
October 28	Golf Tournament & Halloween Party
November 11	Annual Meeting
November 25	Boat Parade/Party
December 5	Holiday Luncheon At Fish Camp
<b><u>2024</u></b>	
January 27	Commodores Ball
<p>FIYC will start to collect 2024 dues in October. 2024 dues must be paid to attend Commodores Ball. Dues notice will go out in October. Membership form Available at <a href="http://frippislandyachtclub.com">frippislandyachtclub.com</a> and POA office.</p>	



## FIPOA WEBSITE

[www.frippislandliving.com](http://www.frippislandliving.com)

If you do not have a user name and password, send an email to [contact@frippislandliving.com](mailto:contact@frippislandliving.com) and we will get you set up.

Homeowners can find the following items on the website:

Online forms for vehicle decals and ARB.

Weekly updates from the FIPOA

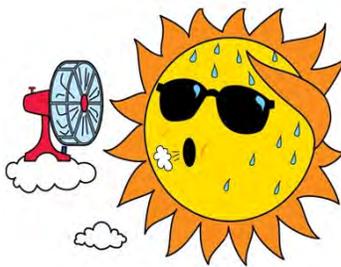
Board meeting minutes and agendas, governing, financial and covenant documents, hurricane information, Island directory, security information and so much more!







# WGA Women's Golf Association



Points are awarded on WGA summer Tuesday play. At the end of the summer...the golfer with the most points accumulated wins the season!!!



And...the winner is....**Debbie St.John!!!**  
In second place - **Freida Murphy** and in third place - **Barb Hess!!!**  
**Congrats to all!!!**

REMEMBER...DON'MISS OUT ON THE WGA FUN!!! LOTS OF EVENTS COMING UP!!!



Let's Play  
**Golf**

Contact: Debbie St John  
Call 704-517-3731 or Email sanddstjohn@gmail.com

The Fripp Island Women's  
Golf Association 



*Come*  
**JOIN US**

Fripp Island  
Women's Golf  
Association

**Play on Tuesdays!!!**





## **THE WATER IS WIDE**

### **PAT CONROY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

*Sponsored by the Fripp Island Women's Club and in  
Association with the Pat Conroy Literary Center*

This scholarship is offered in honor of Pat Conroy, world-renowned author. One of Pat's earliest books, **The Water is Wide**, captured his passion for education as a teacher on Daufuskie Island, where the children lacked even the basic tools to learn. Pat believed in equality for everyone and was a strong advocate of the importance of education then and throughout his life.

In keeping with his legacy, **this award is up to \$2000** and is intended for any older adult who may not have had the opportunity to continue their education. The award will be distributed by the College/University Bursar to cover educational expenses.

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***Eligibility: Any student enrolled at Technical College of the Low Country (TCL), or University of South Carolina Beaufort and is:***

- ***21 years or older and a United States Citizen***
- ***a resident of Beaufort County, South Carolina, and a United States Citizen***
- ***seeking a degree at USCB/TCL or a technical certification at TCL***

*Send completed information and application by November 15, 2023 (deadline)*

**[CLICK HERE FOR THE APPLICATION AND TO LEARN MORE](#)**







# Captain Ralph's

## FISHING REPORT

### FALL FISHING LOOKING GOOD

Submitted by Captain Ralph Goodison

Fall is just around the corner and our busy summer will bring pleasant fall weather and some great fishing and boating and enjoy the beauty of Fripp Island. The loss of our general manager, new ownership of the Fripp Company, we may think Fripp is in a quandary. Friends, just the opposite; some of the best days are ahead of us, The new ownership of Fripp Island Resort are in a perfect position to take our Fripp Island to new heights of enjoyment and value. As well our Property owners Association can take the best ideas of our previous administration and blend them with cost effective island improvements.

That is why I have always said "Fripp Island Is Not Perfect But Darn Close"

Summer fishing has been some of the best in recent years. As we look forward to fall fishing get ready for some of the best fishing in recent years. Two Fishing Tournaments are left including The Fall Inshore Tournament in October and The Kid's Thanksgiving Fishing Tournament. Plans are also underway for the best Fripp Island Christmas Boat Parade. Mrs Santa has been spotted at the marina and plans to meet with Santa when he vacations on Fripp. Yes, Fripp is Santa's favorite vacation spot.

#### FISHING FORECAST

INSHORE: As the water cools we can look forward to good Trout, Redfish, Black Drum and Whiting. Some Flounder and an excellent time for gigging. Plenty of hungry Sharks and if want to catch some big boy's Try night fishing in the inlet.

NEARSHORE: Drydock, Tire/Fripp Reef and 6HI trolling good catches of Spanish and Bluefish. Kingfish are also being caught. Deep water fishing is catching Blackbass, Blackdrum, Trigger, Vermillion, Triggerfish, Grunt and some Redfish.

DEEPWATER AND GULF STREAM: Excellent Kingfish, Fair Wahoo and some Dolphins are left. If you have never been on this 75 mile trip out to the stream it is an amazing trip.

OYSTER SEASON AND BLUE CRABS. This time of the year Oysters are in season and Blue Crabs are here for the taking. Get a trap or rent a boat and have fun while you can eat some of the best of the Low Country.



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### HURRICANE IDALIA GREETSS 32nd ANNUAL FRIPP ISLAND KINGFISH TOURNAMENT

Hurricane Idalia was not in the plans of our annual Kingfish Tournament but good planning by the marina staff, tournament committee and determined fisherman, the tournament went on. A great Captain's Dinner by Chef Doolittle the captains meeting moved fish days to Saturday and Sunday.

Fishing Saturday was rough but improved Sunday. Winners in the Spanish Mackerel 1st place was Captain Bob Wallace with a 2.4 lbs, Spanish on Molly Carolina. 2nd place with a 1.7 lbs was Captain Bus Brown and 3rd place with a 1.2 lbs, Spanish by Captain David Tilton. Winners with the largest Kingfish was Captain David Tilton Sr. and his crew on Full Tilt with a 23.4 lbs, Kingfish. 2nd place, with 19 lbs. King was Captain Hunter McMillan and his crew was on the boat Undertaker. Lewis Turner and Jeff Pickney want to thank the Corley family and Hinton family for making the tournament successful and The Dewitt Tilton Group and Bryan Easler Toyota for their support.



Lewis Turner also thanked the marina staff for helping make the tournament possible. The proceeds of the tournament will benefit the Beaufort Memorial Keyserling Cancer Center. Live music by Kirk Dempsey provided a festive event to the tournament and made it a festive event enjoyed by all.



*Top Left: What does over 100 pound Tarpon look like? Took 3 fishermen to hold this one. We don't eat Tarpon so he went back to the Fripp Inlet. Right (top to bottom): First: I am going to surprise my dad. He is out in a boat and I caught this Redfish at the gas dock. Second: You don't have to go to Florida to catch Sailfin. Fishing off Fripp with Captain George on Miss Lia 11. Third: Captain Bob Wallace and his mate Jim win the largest Spanish at 2.3 lbs on his boat Molly Carolina. Fourth: Kingfish Tournament Winners. Largest Kingfish at 23.4 lbs. On right by Captain David Tilton and his crew on Full Tilt. 2nd Place King at 19 lbs. was caught by Captain Hunter McMillan and his crew on his boat Undertaker.*



# MGA Men's Golf

**The MGA is the Golf Association for Fripp Island  
All Rounds are played at the Ocean Point and Ocean Creek Courses.  
Each course is rotated on a monthly basis and alternate  
monthly throughout the year.**

***Get the Schedule of Events and Tee Times at Fore Tees***

# BOCCE TOURNAMENT IN DEER LAKE



*Top: Bocce Tournament in Deer Lake Participants*

*Right: Bocce Tournament Winners*

*Photos submitted by Iris Golden.*



**FIPOA Rules and Safety Tips**

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*We wanted to remind our owners, guests and visitors of some rules and safety precautions. Please take a moment, click the link below to watch this video, also visit the website link below to learn more.*

[\*Click here to see our video!\*](#)

For more rules and safety tips, [please visit our website.](#)



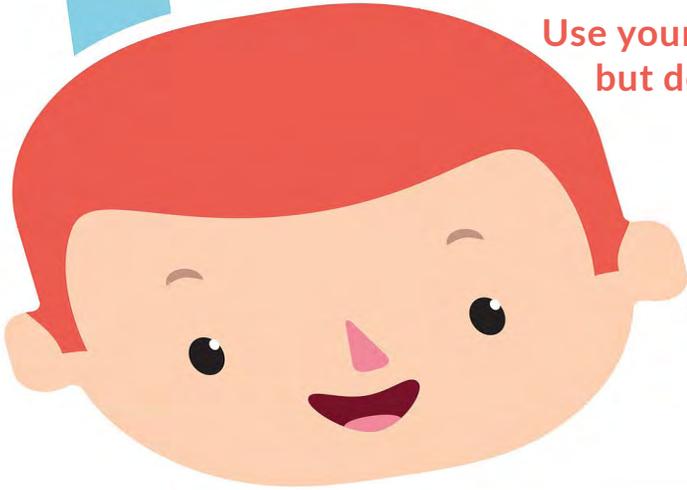


# CHILDREN'S CORNER

Contributed by Mary T. Jacobs

## Quote of the Month:

Use your smile to change this world,  
but don't let the world change  
your smile.



*Learning to be an effective writer takes lots of practice. I will focus on this topic for the next several editions.*

Dear Readers:

We will continue to focus on writing! Setting the purpose for writing is just as important as setting the purpose for reading, because purpose influences decisions students make about form. In this issue we will cover two genres of writing. By the way there are six genres of writing!

Genre: Descriptive Writing

Purpose: Students observe carefully and choose precise language. They take notice of sensory details and create comparisons (metaphors and similes) to make their writing more powerful.

Activities:

1. Ask your child to describe a friend. Ask them to write about their physical features. What do they look like? How do they act? What is special about them? What do they do to have fun? Encourage your child to use as many descriptive words as possible. Read the story to several people and decide if more could be added to the story. End the story by

having your child draw and color a picture to enhance their story. Perhaps even make a copy of the story and mail to their friend.

Genre: Journals and Letters

Purpose: Children write to themselves and to specific, known audiences. Their writing is personal and often less formal than other genres. They share news, explore new ideas, and record notes. Children learn the special formatting that letters require.

Activities:

1. Give your child a spiral notebook and have them write a paragraph about their day. Example: What was the best part of their day? What is something you learned today? Please be sure to date the story. Parents you may wish to write in your journal with your child. Depending on the age of the child writing time should be 10 to 30 minutes. You want to instill the love of writing!
2. Parents, please order your child note cards with their names printed on the card. Have your child write thank you letters to friends, relatives and especially Grandparents. I still have some of the thank you notes my grands wrote to me. They are priceless!
3. Ask your child to write a friendly letter to a relative or friend. Include these examples: What was best about your summer? How is school? What is your favorite holiday. And of course, mail the letter.

Added bonus: Ask your child to write one of the activities and send it to Stacie and perhaps we may publish one of your writings.

Happy Writing at Fripp Island and see you at the ice cream truck!





# Fripp Island Sea Rescue

Mary T. Jacobs, Communications Officer



*We are excited to wish FISR a happy 40th birthday this month. One way to appreciate what FISR does today is to learn a bit about what happened on a cold winter day forty years ago that inspired the founders to put together an organization that could quickly respond to boaters in distress in the waters surrounding Fripp Island.*

The afternoon of New Year's Eve of 1982, two men gathered their seven-year-old daughters and launched a small boat from the south end of Fripp Island's Tarpon Boulevard into Skull Inlet to go on an adventure, but quickly got more father-daughter adventure than they bargained for. The outgoing tidal current carried the craft seaward, out of the inlet and eventually grounding on a sandbar. Serious wave action swamped the boat, leaving the four standing on the sandbar in cold water. As soon as the tide changed, the water rose, and their situation became dire. Fortunately, a young man on the beach noticed their plight and contacted Fripp resident Paul Field, known to be an experienced boater, and who knew our waters well. While Paul ran down to the marina to ready his boat, the young man launched his own boat and set out to attempt a rescue. A nearby shrimper saw the incident unfold and offered to help. The young man was able to reach the sandbar despite the rough surf conditions, collected the boaters (now soaked and shivering) and transferred them to the shrimp boat. All four were clearly showing symptoms of hypothermia, and time was of the essence to get them under medical care. The shrimper maneuvered with his precious cargo aboard into Trenchards Inlet and rendezvoused with Paul Field, who had been underway in his boat since being notified by the

young man. Paul transferred the two dads and their daughters to his boat and rushed them back to the Fripp Island Marina, where EMTs were waiting to take them under their care.

This and several other boating incidents prompted Paul and another Fripp resident, David Fleming, to recruit additional volunteers and form the Fripp Island Volunteer Rescue organization in September 1983, incorporating as a not-for-profit 501(c)3. Some of the early volunteers included Robert Newman, John Adams, Barry Oden and Ginia Schaufelberger. The group soon began using the DBA "Fripp Island Sea Rescue" to better reflect the group's mission statement.

In those early years, volunteers pressed their own boats into service for rescue missions while the group accumulated sufficient funds for purchasing a fleet. In the early 2000s, FISR was finally able to buy two boats dedicated to the organization's mission: a 2002 22-foot Boston Whaler Dauntless (R-1) powered by a 200hp Yamaha outboard, and a 2004 17-foot Boston Whaler Montauk (R-2) with a 90hp Yamaha outboard. However, insurance for these boats was cost-prohibitive, so the Beaufort County Sherriff agreed to take ownership of the fleet and include the equipment under the county's insurance policies. In recent years, FISR became financially able to regain ownership of the fleet and pay the insurance premiums, and while the Boston Whalers are entering their 3rd decade, they are still in service.

*How is FISR funded today?* Initially, we depended on proceeds from bingo and cake walks, as well as private donations. In 2004, FISR teamed up with Beaufort Water Search and Rescue (BWSAR) to hold a St. Paddy's Golf Tournament on Ocean Creek golf course, splitting the net proceeds. The event was so successful that the two rescue organizations agreed to keep it going, and next March they will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the fundraiser. St. Paddy's Golf Tournament, with its concurrent Online Auction, remains the only fund-raising event that FISR conducts each year. We still accept and greatly appreciate donations year-round from Fripp residents and the boaters we assist or rescue.

Where does FISR operate? Our assigned area of responsibility covers 60 square nautical miles of water, a huge triangle that includes Fripp and our neighboring barrier islands (Harbor, Hunting, Pritchards, Capers and St. Phillips), and up to 3 nautical miles offshore (if conditions permit).

Whom exactly do we help, and how many people per year? We handle a wide variety of cases, but the most typical ones are:

- Boaters run aground on a sandbar, oyster rake or pluff mud.
- Disabled boats that can't be restarted due to fuel or electrical issues.
- Kayakers and paddleboarders who can't get back due to wind, current or waves.
- Swimmers who have gone missing at the beach.

In 2022 we went out on 42 missions, of which 30 were SAR cases (search and rescue), and 12 were community service calls and support for other agencies. FISR helped 72 people, including 24 children (under 18). In addition, we saved 4 lives, including 3 children. While we are a rescue agency and not a towing service, we did tow or carry aboard 11 vessels.

Exactly who are these Sea Rescue volunteers? We're your neighbors - Fripp residents who have chosen to give back to their community, utilizing their boating, management and lifesaving skills to help boaters and swimmers in need. We take weeklong shifts to assure that we have a Boat Duty Captain and a Base Duty Officer on duty 24x365, and yes that includes nights and holidays, no matter the weather. All crew receive extensive training before they're cleared to go on missions, all maintain current certifications in CPR/AED/First Aid and Stop-the-Bleed, and as a bonus we have three Captains on the roster licensed by the US Coast Guard.



## Fripp Island Sea Rescue

For more information about Fripp Island Sea Rescue, or if you'd like to volunteer or donate, please visit our website at [fisearescue.org](http://fisearescue.org) and look us up on Facebook. If you have or see an emergency on the water, call 9-1-1 and Beaufort County will dispatch us. For any other issues, or if you have a question, call the FISR Base Duty Officer at (843) 575-2443. We are always on duty - every hour of the day, every day of the year.



Nancy Wingenbach, Member of FISR  
For forty years, Fripp Island Sea Rescue (FISR) has been on watch for anyone who needed help in the waters around Fripp. Often we see kayakers drifting out on the currents, swimmers stranded on sandbars, boats without power, boats stuck in the sand as the tide flows out to sea, paddleboarders unable to fight the tidal current, and multiple other water emergencies and non-emergencies. We all need to shout out in celebration for these forty years of volunteering to assist fellow islanders and guests when they are in trouble on the water. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FRIPP ISLAND SEA RESCUE!



Brooke Pearson, FISR member and Secretary  
Happy 40th, FISR! It is an honor to be a member of this great organization, especially since I am not a boater. I joined with former Skipper Angie Diemont back in 2017, both of us recruited by then Skipper Dick Work to be base duty radio operators. That is what I do to this day, in addition to being the Secretary. What a vital role Sea Rescue has played over four decades and what a terrific group of dedicated men and women who have given their time and effort to help those in trouble in our waters. Happy birthday!

Stay connected with FISR at:  [www.FISeaRescue.org](http://www.FISeaRescue.org)  [@FrippIslandSeaRescue](https://www.facebook.com/FrippIslandSeaRescue)



**Fripp Island  
Ladies  
Nine Hole  
Golf**

**Come join a fun group of ladies  
Beginners are welcome**

**Schedule:**

**Tuesday: play your own game**

**Thursday: tournament play with a  
Different game weekly**

**Often meet for lunch after play**

**Yearly luncheon**

**Prizes awarded**

**Alternate play on Ocean Creek  
and Ocean Point course**

**Yearly dues: \$35**

**Can join anytime**

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# A NOTE FROM YOUR FIPOA

Dear Trawler Contributors and Readers,

We wanted to make you aware of a company called “That’s Great News”. They subscribe to publications and newspapers and will attempt to reach out to individuals who appear in articles. Once they find a contact, they will send a sales pitch, offering a plaque that has the story mounted on it.

***This company is not an advertiser, and not affiliated with the Trawler or the FIPOA in any way.***

I have asked the company multiple times not to solicit our readers or those featured in our publication. We expect the information we provide in the Trawler to be used as intended, and not to be abused by any company for sales and profit and any potential scams. We wanted you to be aware of this, in the event that this company makes contact with you.

If this company does reach out to you and you do not wish to be contacted by them, let them know, and also use the **unsubscribe** feature located at the bottom of their emails.

At the FIPOA, we respect your privacy and strive to protect your information. We do not provide your information to other companies.

Thank you,  
Stacie Thrush, Editor



# ST. HELENA'S

## CHURCH AT FRIPP ISLAND

Knowing the Savior ♦ Aligning with the Lord ♦ Seeing the Kingdom Come

As we close our fifth summer of CHURCH ON THE BEACH, we pause to give thanks. Thousands of visitors worshipped with us this year. Many were transformed. On June 18<sup>th</sup>, four individuals spontaneously stepped forward to be baptized. A few weeks later, Rev Todd baptized the granddaughter of one of our residents. It was a great summer.

Fall brings a smaller, close-knit congregation. We are grateful for the opportunity to share God's love with our visitors but we also enjoy the fellowship that a small island church provides. As the weather cools, we will move to the Beach Club Lawn on Sunday. Small Groups will come back together to study God's Word and events outside of Sunday will resume.

We would love you to join us for any of our upcoming activities:

September 17 – 10am – Brunch on the Beach Club Greene

October 8 – 11am – 9 Hole Golf Tournament at Ocean Creek

October 14 – 9-10:30am – Fripp Open House at St. Helena's Anglican/Beaufort

December 10 – Christmas Concert with details TBA

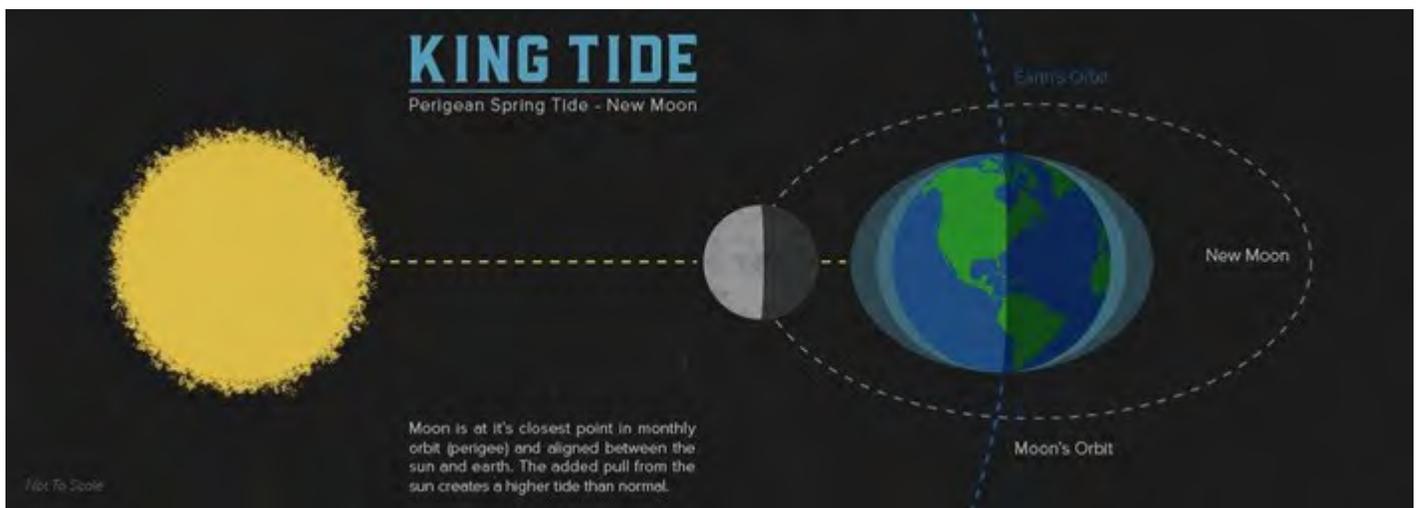
St. Helena's Anglican Church at Fripp Island welcomes everyone. If you are interested, please contact Rev. Todd Simonis at [tsimonis@sthelenas1712.org](mailto:tsimonis@sthelenas1712.org).



# King Tides

*“King tide” - The popular, non-scientific term often used to describe exceptionally high tides that occur once or twice a year.*

*Submitted by Hannah Kwak, Fripp Island Resort Naturalist Intern*



## What are “king tides”?

These tides occur when the Earth, sun and moon are all nearly in alignment to create the greatest tidal changes of the year. Due to the gravitational pull of the sun being “added” to the gravitational pull of the moon on Earth, thus resulting in high tides being more exceptionally higher than average, and low tides being lower than average. King tides bring unusually high water levels approximately one to two times each year and often can cause local tidal flooding to extend further inland than what is considered normal. Every year it is important to observe these king tides to gain insight as to how our current water levels may increase due to sea level rise, with king tides having the potential to become the future’s everyday tidal levels.

## How do king tides affect us on Fripp Island?

King tides, combined with typical seasonal changes in the tide and mean sea level, can result in minor coastal flooding in low-lying areas of shoreline development. We often see this during the occasional flooding in the marina parking lot and flooding on the northeastern side of the island on Porpoise Drive.

If a storm strikes during a king tide, similar to hurricane Idalia on August 30th of this year, coastal flooding can be significantly worse than it otherwise would be due to increased sea levels due to this unusually high tide. It is expected that occurrences of minor high tide flooding during these king tides will increase even more as sea level rises relative to land elevation.

When it comes to preparation for these king tides, know when a king tide is predicted to happen, especially when within the same few days of an oncoming storm.

With Fripp lying at such a low elevation and the already flood-prone landscape, it is best to prepare for this predicted flooding by raising any outdoor belongings up off of the ground and parking vehicles on areas of higher elevation.

*Hannah graduated in May with a degree in Biology and a minor in Geology from Augustana College in Illinois. This season, Hannah will be researching the changing coastlines on Fripp and how they could evolve in years to come.*

