

# THE TRAWLER

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## Turtle Season

*Janie Lackman*

Fripp is a magical place all year long, but something extra special happens on our island between May and October every year. During this time, our beach is graced with visits from nesting Loggerhead Sea Turtles.

2014 was a wonderful season for nesting on Fripp. The Fripp Island Turtle Team is proud to share the following statistics from our 2014 Sea Turtle Season:

- 37 Nests
- 40 False crawls or non-nesting emergences - this is when a female loggerhead comes ashore and doesn't nest
- 4,175 eggs were laid on Fripp
- 2,986 hatched eggs
- 1<sup>st</sup> Leatherback nest ever recorded on Fripp Island
- The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Turtle Crawl fundraiser was a huge success! Special thanks to all our sponsors and supporters.
- Due to the success of the Crawl, we were able to donate \$10,000 to the Sea Turtle Hospital in Charleston. This was accomplished with the help of many generous Fripp residents as well as island visitors.
- 50 Volunteer Team Members worked over 5,000 hours to help our loggerheads last season.

The SC Department of Natural Resources is expecting another big turtle year in 2015 so our team is gearing up for the new season. Below are some things that YOU can do to help our loggerheads and keep our island turtle friendly.



### Reminders for Turtle Season:

- Keep our beaches dark—no visible light on the beaches from May until October. This includes flashlights and house or porch lighting.
- Pack in and Pack out—remove all items from the beach every evening.
- Give the turtles space—do NOT approach a turtle on the beach.
- Remove trash—debris left on the beach may end up in the ocean and prove deadly for our sea turtles or other animals.
- Fill in holes. Please fill in holes made and level sand castles above the high tide line each evening before leaving the beach.
- Do not walk in the turtle tracks—if you come across turtle tracks in the evening or early morning, please do not walk in these. The tracks help us locate the turtle nest and determine what she was doing on the beach. If turtle patrol has already examined the tracks, they will be marked off with large "X's"

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Don't forget you may follow our program on Facebook at Fripp Island Turtle Team or online at [www.islc.net/~fripplog/](http://www.islc.net/~fripplog/).

We are looking forward to another amazing turtle season this year. Thank you for doing your part to keep our beaches TURTLE FRIENDLY!

## Splinters from the Board

*Meghan Johnson, Administrative Assistant*

In March's Board of Directors meeting the following Resolutions were approved in one reading:

**Resolution 693:** To Install New Low Voltage Wiring and LED Outdoor Lighting at the Front of the Island—The Fripp Island Property Owners Association Board approves replacing the wiring and lighting at the front of the island from the base of the Inlet Bridge to River Club entrance. Total costs estimated to be \$25,000.

**Resolution 694:** To Upgrade the Audio Visual System in the FIPOA Board Room—The Fripp Island Property Owners Association Board approves spending \$3,070.40 of Unbudgeted Expenses for a total of \$8, 070.40 to upgrade the Audio Visual System in the Board Room.

**Resolution 695:** To Grant Permission and Easement for Constructing a Wooden Pedestrian Boardwalk on Crossover #3—The Fripp Island Property Owners Association Board approves granting an easement to D&L South Carolina Holdings, LLC for the sole purpose of planning and construction wooden pedestrian boardwalk on the FIPOA Beach Crossover property as indicated and recorded in the Beaufort County ROD in Record Book 410 at Page 1514.

The Annual Meeting was held on April 11, 2015 with a good turnout from property owners.

To see the General Manager's report and full minutes of this and other FIPOA meetings, please go to: [new.frippislandliving.com/owners/property-owners-association/poa-organization/board-meetings/board-meetings-minutes/](http://new.frippislandliving.com/owners/property-owners-association/poa-organization/board-meetings/board-meetings-minutes/).



IN MEMORIAM



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Mike Pepin

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## New Owners on Fripp

2/16/15 to 4/30/15

*Paul & Renee Harvel, Fripp Island SC*

*Albert Rogers, Milan GA*

*Jill Campbell, Atlanta GA*

*James & Marianne Borden, Milton GA*

*Sallie Manning (Multiple Owners), Augusta GA*

*Michael & Cheryl Norman, Cincinnati OH*



New owners on Fripp Island: the FIPOA website has information that will help with the transition. [frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/new-owners/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/new-owners/)

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Deadline for July TRAWLER is June 30th.

FIPOA Board Meeting Schedule

June 13, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

July 11, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

at the FIPOA Administrative Office

(This schedule is subject to change.)

All meetings are open.

### Board of Directors

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*subscribe to this service.*

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# ISLAND SERVICES



## CHIEF'S CORNER

### Did you miss "Chat with the Chief"?

*Robbie White & Linda Freeman*

On Saturday morning April 18<sup>th</sup>, Chief of Security Mike Binkowski held the first "Chat with the Chief." A dozen Frippers who conceivably had other ways to spend a Saturday morning hour showed up and they were glad they did! Chief Binkowski intends these bimonthly sessions to be for Fripp Islanders, to ask him questions—and get answers, in a relaxed, informal, unstructured forum.

Remarkably, everyone met some new neighbors and learned a few things about Security they hadn't known before. Not only were all present able to raise concerns and receive information directly from the Chief, but attendees raised several safety and security issues that will get Chief

Binkowski's immediate action. The Chief also provided updates on recent incidents, noted upcoming local events relevant to safety and security on Fripp, and explained measures our Security Department is taking, or plans to take, to improve the safety for Fripp Islanders.

If you missed it, you missed an illuminating discussion, a great chance to voice your opinion and learn more about your Security Department.

Chief Binkowski will hold these interesting and informative sessions every other month. Watch for notifications via e-blasts and mark your calendars!

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the Security office at (843)838-2334. They will gladly assist you.

Email at [security@frippislandliving.com](mailto:security@frippislandliving.com).

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# FIPOA ANNUAL MEETING

## Fripp Island Property Owners Association Annual Meeting was held on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at the Community Centre

President Wayne Kemmerer called the meeting to order and remarked on the Strategic Plan.

Mr. Kemmerer stated: "The plan was developed with input from surveys that approximately 1,100 of our 2,100 owners participated in. The Strategic Plan becomes the basis from which we establish our committees, organize our operating plans and establish our budget." To see a copy of the Strategic Plan visit the following link:

[frippislandliving.com/wp-content/uploads/FIPOA-Strat-Plan-20141.pdf](http://frippislandliving.com/wp-content/uploads/FIPOA-Strat-Plan-20141.pdf).

President Kemmerer also reviewed key points in the FIPOA's last year such as: Transferring control of the Inlet Bridge to PSD and the Bylaw changes the membership voted to approve. After a brief synopsis the Class of 2018, all incumbents, were introduced.

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# FIPOA ANNUAL MEETING CONT.



**President Wayne Kemmerer**

Board Member and Committee Chair of the **Roads and Drainage Committee**, Ralph Burchfield, reviewed the objectives of the committee:

Objectives:

1. Review the current Replacement Reserve Report (RRR) to make future capital improvements within the Plan period.
2. Improve communications of the Roads and Drainage Committee.
3. Develop strategies for improved gravel road performance.
4. Review and develop lower cost options for paved roads.
5. Within the 5 year plan, introduce new products or methods for overall better paved road appearance.

Mr. Burchfield also addressed the operational plan for the Roads and Drainage Committee.



**Chair of the Roads and Drainage Committee  
Ralph Burchfield**



**Scott Thompson, Ann Lyman and Frank Belatti Class of 2018**

Scott Thompson, Board Member, presented the Treasurer's report in Mr. Rick Raible's absence.

From a Profit & Loss standpoint 2014 (unaudited) results were stable and favorable to budget. Total income increased 2.2% while expenses were down 3.5% to plan. We were able to transfer \$300,000 to Reserves in order to stay current with expenses forecasted in our Replacement Reserve Report. Our single largest expense category, Security, was down 6% to plan. All other categories were within acceptable limits.

You can review the financial documents on the FIPOA's website or by clicking this link: [frippislandliving.com/owners/property-owners-association/financial-documents/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/property-owners-association/financial-documents/).

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## PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

The FIPOA is always looking for volunteers!  
All committees need you, CIC, PEC, Folding, etc.  
If you have an interest in contributing to your POA,  
please call (843)838-4155. Or go to:

<http://frippislandliving.com/owners/volunteer/>

A business card for Dennis Robinson, President - Broker. The card features the iFripp.com logo at the top, which consists of a blue oval with a white crescent moon and a white house icon above the text "iFripp.com". Below the logo, the name "Dennis Robinson" is printed in a bold, serif font, followed by "President - Broker" in a smaller, italicized serif font. At the bottom, the contact information is listed: "843-263-4706" and "dennisrsales@gmail.com" on the left, and "73 Sea Island Pkwy #14 Beaufort, SC 29907" on the right. At the very bottom, it says "a division of HomeShopRealty.com".

# F I P O A ANNUAL MEETING CONT.

## **Shoreline Committee:** Scott Thompson, Chair

After the decision of the property owners regarding the proposed sand relocation, The Shoreline Committee has endeavored to continue to monitor the state of the beachfront. In an attempt to provide our Owners with information on trends, we have performed some independent GPS mapping of the existing high and low tide marks in an effort to clarify the state of the beach. The Committee will continue to monitor the status of the beach to provide the Owners with the most accurate update of the status of this resource.

## **Appeals Committee:** Scott Thompson, Chair

The Appeals Committee has met throughout the year to consider the appeal of citations issued by the Security staff. The members of the committee review the citation, the officer's report, and the appellant's statements about the event, as well as any extenuating circumstances which may be presented. During the last year, 12 appeals were received, with 11 denials and one reduction in fine.

## **Security Committee Report:** Jim Wolbrink, Chair

During the past year, we had several incidents worth noting, but nothing terribly serious. With more people on the island, we have more incidents. Mailboxes get damaged most any time of year, but with greater frequency when more guests are here in summer. If you see any such activity, please call Security.

Added part-time Security personnel will be placed on Rock Beauty beach access this coming summer, on the basis of past incidents, to be certain that only approved handicap vehicles are allowed get through to drop off their passengers.

Security Patrol officers have now been outfitted with small video cameras that are worn and turned on during traffic stops. This helps to identify and reduce any incidents. Overall, we have a well-trained and courteous Security Department at Fripp. More training is always welcome, and we do train all year.



**Chair Shoreline Committee  
& Appeals Committee  
Scott Thompson**



**Chair of the Security Committee  
Jim Wolbrink**

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Moving to Fripp Island?

[frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/  
owner-information/moving-to-fripp/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/moving-to-fripp/)

Also, Fripp Island provides a Mentoring Program to provide support, encouragement and information to new homeowners and island residents.

Mentors are available to answer questions and introduce newcomers to Island activities.

[frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/  
owner-information/mentor-program/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/mentor-program/)

An advertisement for Island Travel and other river cruise companies. It features logos for Island Travel (celebrating 30 years of service), Virtuoso, Viking River Cruises, AmaWaterways, Avalon Waterways, Uniworld (Boutique River Cruise Collection), and Tauck. The text includes the address: 12 Fairfield Rd, Ste 5B, Beaufort, SC 29907, phone number 843-525-0777, email info@islandtv.com, and the tagline ~ RIVER CRUISING SPECIALIST ~.

# F I P O A ANNUAL MEETING CONT.



**Chair Communications Committee  
& Community Involvement Committee  
Chris Assaf**

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

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*[frippislandliving.com/owners/clubscommunity-  
groups/community-guide/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/clubscommunity-groups/community-guide/)*

## **Communications Committee:** Chris Assaf, Chair

The committee set as its number one priority to improve communications. The first thing we did was take a survey of all property owners. You told us many things and there were some great suggestions but a few themes came through loud and clear: “Be more open and transparent. Tell us what you’re thinking early on so we can tell you what we think.”

There were also a lot of great suggestions for the website, but the three biggest were...let us pay our bill online, let us vote online and give us one central calendar. All of these have been implemented, and I hope you have noticed an improvement. The committee will continue to strive towards improved communications.

## **Community Involvement:** Chris Assaf, Chair

The Community Involvement Committee was formed to bridge the gap between residents and nonresidents, as well as providing a formal process to welcome newcomers to Fripp Island.

The first thing the committee did was produce a welcome packet which is available at the POA office. It is also available on the Owners Page at [FrippIslandliving.com](http://FrippIslandliving.com). Also on the website, you will find [The Community Guide](#) which outlines every group that meets on Fripp Island. It details when they meet, how much it costs and who you contact to join.

**Island Mentors** is a program for new property owners to help in their transition to Fripp Island. New couples are paired with residents based on common interests. The mentor's job is to escort the new residents to island events, introduce them to other Fripp Islanders and help them get involved on the island.

**Island Friends** meet in small groups once a month for a social gathering of their choice. Dinner, brunch, whatever they choose. These groups started in the fall and will meet through May. We were thrilled with the response for our first year with over 80 participants. If you’re interested in joining in...please come to the Community Centre on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> for a “wrap up last year / sign up for next year” party.

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**The Community Involvement Committee has been working diligently to get all Fripp groups to add their open events onto our Island-wide calendar.**

*[frippislandliving.com/owners/meetingscalendar/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/meetingscalendar/)*

**This should be your one-stop place  
to go to see what’s happening when on the island.**

# F I P O A ANNUAL MEETING CONT.

## **Human Resources Committee Report:** Frank Belatti, Chair

Over the last year, we have completed a comparison and analysis of Compensation and Benefit packages for POA employees. There was a 3.38% CPI increase for 2013 and 2014 added to the salary plan.

We were able to give \$1 more an hour for each armed Security Officer to bring to industry standard.

## **Grounds Committee Report:** Ann Lyman, Chair

2014 was a year of recovery due to the several frosts. We are taking on a new project this year of replacing the lighting at the front of the island. If you notice, when you come off the Inlet Bridge, it is very dark until you get to the gate house, so this will be a huge improvement. We asked for four bids from vendors and we have received two. We will make our decision within the next few days. Jimmy Yeager and his team have done a good job of sprucing up the common areas.

## **Environmental Committee:** Ann Lyman, Chair

The committee is continuing our informal counts of the deer. The Fall count showed twenty new fawns and a total of 315 deer. 41 dead deer have been picked up. We are still waiting for information concerning the approval from the EPA to continue our contraception program.

The turtle program is a huge success and we are trying to find turtle-friendly lighting.

We have a new bluebird program. We will establish a trail of bluebird houses in conjunction with the Audubon Club.

We received our re-certification from the National Wildlife Federation. There are 75 wildlife habitats on Fripp Island.

30-35 feral cats have been trapped and transported, spayed and received their shots. Eleven have been returned. We are not getting complaints like we have in the past.

## **Property Enhancement Committee:** Martin Goodman, Chair

The committee works to provide guidance for the betterment of the appearance of Fripp Island.

The committee continues to review all of the single family dwelling properties on Fripp Island for appearance and upkeep. All discrepancies are reported to FIPOA staff for review before the property owner is contacted. Most property owners make the appropriate improvements quickly.

The PEC committee has assumed the maintenance of mailboxes on Fripp Island as they are phased into the system. The program is a five year phase-in program to upgrade mailboxes.

The committee participated in an Island-wide trash clean-up day on May 31, 2014, and will participate in the next scheduled clean-up on May 27, 2015, and volunteers are needed.



**Chair Human Resources Committee  
Frank Belatti**



**Chair Grounds & Environmental Committees  
Ann Lyman**



**Chair Property Enhancement Committee  
& Disaster and Recovery Committee  
Martin Goodman**

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**Chair Architechtrual Review Board  
Ernie Taylor**

**Disaster & Recovery Committee:** Martin Goodman, Chair

The committee held several informative workshops that provided information to members about insurance issues that affect Fripp Island property owners, hurricane preparation, and Beaufort County preparation and re-entry plans. The workshops provided vital information to members and offered the opportunity to meet and ask questions of experts. The committee will remain diligent and will inform members of any emergency or disaster issues that become apparent. This information will be disseminated through community information sessions or through e-blasts and articles in the Trawler.

**Architectural Review Board:** Ernie Taylor, Chair

The ARB meets the first and third Thursday of the month. The FIPOA website has all of the pertinent information needed permit submittal for improvements to the exterior of single family properties. The ARB has noticed an increase of new house construction.

The ARB Guidelines can be found online at:

[new.frippislandliving.com/wp-content/uploads/arb\\_guidelines\\_5-14-11.pdf](http://new.frippislandliving.com/wp-content/uploads/arb_guidelines_5-14-11.pdf).



**FIPOA General Manager: Kate Hines**

**General Manager's Report:** Kate Hines

Kate Hines introduced the Administrative staff of the FIPOA: Tina Reeves, Assistant General Manager; Meghan Johnson, Administrative Assistant; Melinda Cato, Bookkeeper; and the Chief of Security, Mike Binkowski.

Her report included an overview of the Crossovers and Lakes & Lagoons. This was followed by a brief informative segment on Ms. Hines' work with the South Carolina Legislative Action Committee which is currently working to secure FEMA relief for private gated communities.



**Kate Hines, Melinda Cato, Tina Reeves and Meghan Johnson**

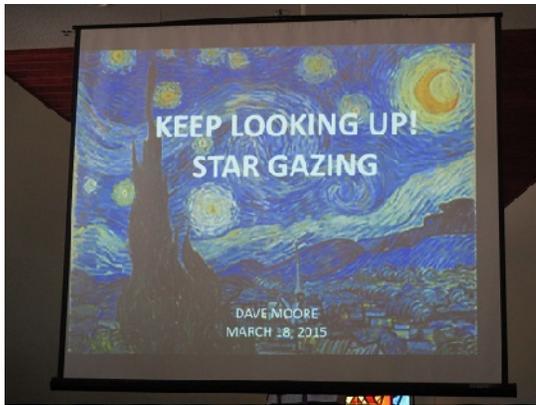
# ISLAND CLUBS

## Fripp Island Women's Club

*Ann Dany*

Over the past months, the Women's Club has presented several guest speakers who have brought new insights into our lives.

Our February 2015 membership meeting featured Margit Resch, a certified Master Naturalist who volunteers at Hunting Island Nature Center and conducts guided beach walks. Her Powerpoint presentation entitled "Life and Death on the Beach," focused on the unique characteristics of invertebrates such as crabs, snails, welks, clams, oysters, shrimp, worms, sea stars, urchins, and sand dollars, among others. Margit also prepared an exciting hands-on display of these sea critters. The program gave everyone an appreciation of the struggle to survive and the importance of protecting the habitat of beach life.



The star of our March meeting was Dave Moore, a Low Country Master Naturalist who presented a fantastic program on "Star Gazing". On a clear night, you are witness to an ocean of wondrous sights. We learned how to identify the stars in a constellation and many facts about the planets, the Milky Way, and galaxies beyond our imagination. Dave discussed each planet in our Solar System and how incredibly small our Earth is in relation to the vast Universe. He also spoke about the International Space Station, comets, lunar and solar eclipses. Dave's mini astronomy course gave everyone a reason to learn more about the fascination of time, space and matter.



Those who attended our April Spring Luncheon were treated to a delicious meal and fabulous dessert, all prepared by Harry Merrill. This was also the occasion to thank our Women's Club Co-Presidents, Anne Hoyle and Sandy Click for their dedication and hard work over the past year. Following an introduction and blessing, Betsy Hammet formally installed the new officers for 2015-2016: Co-Presidents: Jan Manning and Anne O'Melia; Co-Vice Presidents: Flo Kamradt and Pat Lawton; Secretary: Ann Dany; Treasurer: Joyce Bergh. The Board's new Committee Chairs were also introduced to the membership.

Our special guest of the day was Margo Duke, author, designer, teacher and feltmaker. She discovered her love and talent for felting 12 years ago when she revisited her homeland, Scotland, and saw how sheep wool was used to weave into garments.

With her special sewing machine, she gave a demonstration of the art of needle-felting. Brilliant colors abound in her garments, many of which were modeled by our guests as Margo explained the detail in each piece. She also conducts workshops locally and nationally, teaching people how to dye silks and use wool fibers to create gorgeous wraps, vests, belts, shawls, and flowers.

The Women's Club currently has an opening on the Board for the position of "Historian" which includes taking photographs of events and posting articles in our Scrapbook. Interested members may contact Anne O'Melia at (843)838-0142. Please visit our website, [www.frippwc.com](http://www.frippwc.com), and find us on Facebook at "Fripp Island Women's Club."



# ISLAND SPORTS

## Fripp Island Women's Golf Association Report

Joyce Zanone



Trudy Crysel and Jeri Mifflin, winners of the Fripp Cup 2015



Nancy Connell and Paulette Crowe, Runners Up

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The FIWGA got 2015 off to a good start thanks to more pleasant weather than we have had in January and February the past couple of years. Congratulations to Linda Ashby, Chris Assaf, Nancy Connell, Sara Dashiell, Bev Fineis, Barb Hess, Cathy Keup, Carol Middleton, Jeri Mifflin, Jan Pringle and Nancy Zimar for their birdies. A total of 15 were made in January!

The first major tournament for 2015, the Fripp Cup, was a two-day event held April 14 and 16. The tournament was Co-Chaired by Trudy Crysel and Carol Middleton with 31 ladies playing. On the last day, a lovely luncheon was served. Congratulations to Trudy Crysel and Jeri Mifflin, winners of the Fripp Cup. Runners up were Nancy Connell and Paulette Crowe.

The Member/Guest Tournament, "Welcome to Margarita Ville," was played Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. A cocktail party was held Monday evening with Susan Price and Sam Taylor hosting a fun meet-and-greet for all of the ladies who would be playing on Tuesday. It is always good to see our old friends and to meet new.

Another Major Tournament, the Memorial, will be held in May and the winners will be named in the September issue. Summer schedule is set for easy play due to the usual heat of July and August.

If you would like to join the WGA, please call any Board member if you have any questions. Also, the Pro Shop at either course can help you make contact with any WGA member. We welcome all newcomers and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday mornings. Dues are \$50.



## ISLAND SPORTS CONT.



### Nine Hole Men's Golf Group

*Mike Wilt*

Like the previous two months, March and April were marked by a variety of weather conditions for the Wednesday outings including rain, fog, wind, chilly temperatures and of course, some beautiful sunny warm days. Only one outing had to be cancelled during the time period, and that was the most recent Wednesday, April 29, when steady rain and cool temperatures scratched the event. Most weeks, the attendance was in the mid to upper 20's.

Games during this time period included Team Stableford, Two Low Net, One Low Gross/One Low Net, Bear Creek and Powerball/Two Low Net.

Also, on April 9, the Ladies Nine Hole organization sponsored a joint outing with the men's group. A large crowd participated in a scramble format with lunch following at Peg Leg's supplied by the Marina. The men's group will reciprocate in the fall event hosting the ladies.

Weekly winners included Mike Virostek, Dave Moore, Shelby Nussbaum, Ray Atherton, Dave Martin, John Dunphy, Jim Pringle, Mike Jahn, Jim Click, Steve Schnobrich, Mike Wilt, Johnny Jones, Jerry Weithman, Dan Bialas, Ron Pointek, Rick Stein, John Jenniges, Jim Crysel, Ken Tucker, Duffy Howard and Ed Smith. Many different players were on winning teams during this time period, with Ray Atherton and John Dunphy claiming

three first place finishes each. In addition, the men's group proved they were the perfect hosts, allowing three of our Canadian friends—Gary Moore, Ernie Stronge and Dave LeLacheur to win on March 18.

In May, the group will play at Ocean Creek, and in June, at Ocean Point, beginning at 8:30 AM. Please note the earlier start time for the summer months.

There are currently approximately 62 active members in the group. The Foretees website is now being used for the Men's Nine Hole group. To sign up to play every Wednesday morning, go to the website at [web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/](http://web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/).

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# BOATING & FISHING

## Spring Fishing Slow

*Captain Ralph Goodison*

Spring started early in April as Punxsutawney Phil predicted. However, we are still waiting for more consistent days of warm weather to warm our waters. The cool water temperatures make for slow spring fishing. The increase of approximately two minutes of sunlight each day over the next month should do the trick.

### Fishing Report

**Inshore:** Redfish, Whiting, Flounder - Slow & Improving  
Sheepshead - Good

**Offshore:** Bottom Fishing: Blackbass, Trigger and Grunt - Good  
Vermillion and Grouper - Fair

**Near-shore:** Spanish - Fair and Improving

**Deep Water:** Wahoo and Dolphin - Good and Improving,  
Blackfin Tuna & Kingfish – Showing



George Tilton, Stuart Mitchel, Lewis Turner, and David Tilton



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