



# Duck Tales

Illustration of Phase I completion



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## Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements in Duck

Construction by Barnhill Contracting of the first phase of planned bicycle and pedestrian improvements are on schedule for completion by May 2018. The first phase improvements, which include a dedicated bike lane, landscaped strip, and sidewalk, are located along the east side of Duck Road from the existing Duck Trail north of Four Seasons Lane to Duck Deli. This phase of the project also involves the relocation of utility lines and installation of a gateway median north and south of Duck Village. As recom-



Before and after photos of Duck Trail at the Aqua Restaurant & Spa overflow parking

ended in the Town of Duck Pedestrian Plan, the sidewalks and related improvements will provide safe, comfortable, and convenient access for cyclists and pedestrians along the east side of Duck Road.

The Town of Duck is seeking to implement the second phase of the pedestrian improvements in Duck Village beginning in Fall 2018. This phase will add a dedicated bike lane, landscaped strip, and sidewalk along the west side of Duck Road from Aqua Spa

& Restaurant northward to Cook Drive. VHB Engineering is completing the designs for the second phase in preparation for permitting by the N.C. Department of Transportation. Once permitted, VHB will prepare final plans/specifications and bid the project for construction. Although a majority of the project will be constructed within the highway right-of-way, the Town may seek easements

from several property owners where the sidewalk meanders slightly to avoid existing improvements. Similar to the first phase, the second phase of construction will take place during the Late-Fall/Winter/Early-Spring months to minimize impacts of the construction on local businesses and property owners.

The Town of Duck received a generous grant from the Dare County Tourist Board (DCTB) to help fund the first phase of the Duck Village pedestrian improvements. The Town was recently notified that the DCTB has awarded another grant in the amount of \$309,351 to help fund the second phase of the project. Duck Town Council will consider



Grading and excavation

funding the remaining portion of the project during its upcoming budget for FY 2018-19. The Town will continue seeking grants and other sources of funding to help defray construction costs for the third and final phase of the Duck Village improvements on the east side of Duck Road between Duck Deli and Ships Watch.

In early 2018, the Town of Duck repaved a lengthy section of the Duck Trail bicycle/walking path between Sandy Ridge Road and Spyglass Road. This repaving project included repairs to the entrance drive at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Field Research Facility following the beach nourishment project and stormwater improvements at the Spyglass Road intersection. Due to the relatively low bids for the project, the Town was also able to repave a small section of root damaged trail



Repaved Duck Trail north of the Public Safety Building

adjoining the Sanderling neighborhood. Town staff is presently working with an engineering consultant to prioritize repaving of additional sections of the Duck Trail in late 2018/early 2019.

For questions about the completed and upcoming pedestrian improvements, you can contact Director of Community Development Joe Heard at [jheard@townofduck.com](mailto:jheard@townofduck.com) or Town Manager Chris Layton at [clayton@townofduck.com](mailto:clayton@townofduck.com) or (252)255-1234.

## New Flood Maps & Standards

### Flood Map Adoption

In 2016, representatives of the N.C. Floodplain Mapping Program (NCFMP) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) first presented information about the new preliminary flood maps for Dare County. Information about the existing and preliminary flood maps is available for viewing at FEMA's Flood Risk Information System (FRIS) website: <http://fris.nc.gov/fris/>.

NCFMP officials have outlined the remaining steps for the flood map adoption process:

- A comment/appeal period regarding the preliminary flood maps ended on November 13, 2017. The FEMA and NCFMP are presently evaluating comments/appeals and considering amendments to the maps. This process could be completed by Fall 2018.
- Once the review is complete, the final flood maps will be provided to local communities. At this point, the Town of Duck will have six (6) months to adopt the new flood maps and update its flood damage prevention ordinances. This process could begin in Late 2018.

### Preliminary Flood Map Changes in Duck

Preliminary flood map changes in the Town of Duck show a significant reduction in the number of properties located in A or V zones. Figures provided by the NCFMP show the number of structures located in a V flood zone decreasing from 397 to 255 (a 36% decrease). The number of structures in an A flood zone are proposed to decrease from 882 to 187 (a 79% reduction). These figures show that

a significant number of property owners may benefit from reduced insurance rates and lower development standards.

### Concerns

Many people have noted that the reduction of properties within A and V flood zones seems contrary to scientific findings regarding sea level rise and observed flooding during recent storms. However, it is unlikely that the results will be reconsidered and, once adopted, the flood maps may not be revised for another decade. So, our community will have to work with these flood maps for the foreseeable future.

Planners and floodplain managers from all the towns and Dare County have common concerns about the large number of properties being shifted from V zones to A zones, being shifted from A zones to X zones, and significant lowering of the base flood elevation in remaining A flood zones:

- Property owners may view their location in an X flood zone to mean that they have a very minimal or no risk of flooding.
- This perception of very low or no risk may cause owners to decide to drop flood insurance. This decision can lead to uninsured damages during future flooding events and significant insurance rate increases if a property is reclassified in a flood hazard zone in the future.
- The potential reduction in minimum building elevation and other standards will encourage the construction of significant improvements without flood prevention measures in areas at risk of flooding. Damages to these improvements could cause hardship to

property owners and negatively impact the community's flood insurance rating in the future.

### Flood Damage Prevention

In response to these concerns, Dare County and each of the towns in the county are considering the adoption of development standards that maintain a minimum building elevation standard (even in X flood zones) to help mitigate the impacts of significant changes anticipated with the adoption of the new flood maps. To develop a well-reasoned and acceptable approach with these amendments, Outer Banks planners have involved the Outer Banks Home Builders Association, Outer Banks Association of Realtors, local engineers, and local surveyors in discussions about potential solutions to these concerns. Beginning in the next few months, the Town of Duck Planning Board and Town Council will be considering alternatives to address these concerns in a reasonable manner that protects the interests of property owners and the greater community.

### Educational Outreach

In addition, Outer Banks planners have developed an educational program to help property owners understand flooding risks and when to consider flood insurance. The communities are partnering on the development of educational brochures and a website that will serve as a resource for anyone with questions about flood-related matters. This information will also be provided on the Town of Duck's website when the information is available.

For questions about the preliminary flood maps for Dare County, you can contact Certified Floodplain Manager Sandy Cross at [scross@townofduck.com](mailto:scross@townofduck.com) or Director of Community Development Joe Heard at [jheard@townofduck.com](mailto:jheard@townofduck.com) or (252)255-1234.

# Welcome New Town Staff!

The Town of Duck would like to introduce you to the newest staff members. Over the past year we have seen additions to both Administration and Public Safety. Be sure to extend a warm welcome to them as you see them out and about!



**Building Inspector Steve McMurray** came on board with the Town of Duck on September 18, 2017. A resident of the Outer Banks since 1974, he has always been involved in the construction field. He has licenses in NC Electrical, HVAC, and General Contracting. Upon becoming a Building Inspector, he completed all requirements to become a level III Inspector, the highest achievement, in all trades. He is a plethora of information!

**Police Officer John Gilreath** joined the Town of Duck Police Force on August 2, 2017. A police officer for twelve years, he holds certifications in both traffic crash reconstruction and investigation and Advanced Law Enforcement. In his spare time he enjoys coaching youth sports, powerlifting, and football. He loves his family above all else and being a cop. He is fearless...except for clowns. Those terrify him!



**Permit Technician Kay Nickens** began working for the Town of Duck on November 20, 2017. She moved to the Outer Banks from Harrisonburg, VA in 2014. Her hobbies include traveling, beachcombing for sea glass, and watching college football (possibly a little too much). She is a former marching band colorguard member for the JMU Marching Royal Dukes. She lives with her husband and two cats...even though she is allergic to the cats.

**Director of Public Information, Special Events & Marketing Christian Legner** came to work for the Town of Duck on January 17, 2018. Originally from Lynchburg, Virginia, she grew up vacationing on the Outer Banks. She moved here in 2004 to work at the North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island. After 13 years with the Aquarium, Christian has happily joined the Town of Duck. With a love for sharing the beauty of the Outer Banks with everyone, she is excited to serve the residents and visitors of Duck. She and husband, David, live with a dog (Odin), a corn snake (Fred), and a newly adopted blue-tongued skink.



**Public Safety Administrative Assistant Nicole Martin** is the newest hire for the Town of Duck starting on February 21, 2018. She moved to the Outer Banks in the summer of 2017 from California. She served in the United State Air Force which took her all around the world. Her hobbies include enjoying sports, baking, and spending time with her husband, two kids, and two dogs. She has an uncanny ability to remember song lyrics... but neither the title nor the artist that sings them.

# Notes from the Chief...

## Home Security

Small resort towns tend to see many houses vacant a majority of the year. The Town of Duck is no exception, with only 396 of our 2,502 houses occupied as a year-round residence. As police officers, we are here not only to ensure public safety, but to also ensure that these structures are secure from break ins and safe from damage following natural disasters. I learned at the 2018 North Carolina Chiefs of Police Conference that over the next five years residential automation and smart systems will increase by 64%. As a Chief of Police, I see many benefits in this technology.

The principal benefit to installing a "smart" system is home security. According to the FBI, one in three homes without a security system will be broken in to, as compared to one in two-hundred fifty homes with a security system. In the United States, a home burglary occurs every thirteen seconds, and it is estimated that three out of four homes will be burglarized in the next

twenty years. Sixty-five percent of all burglaries occur between 6 am and 6 pm, when most residents are at work and not at home. Imagine the vulnerability of the many homes being vacant for most of the year in Duck. Since only thirteen percent of property crimes are solved, home security systems offer law enforcement the ability to coordinate information with other technology systems, like automatic license plate readers (ALPR).

Other benefits provided by such systems include, fire protection, carbon monoxide monitoring, medical assistance alerts, and the ability to monitor physical damage from storms, both inside and outside the house. For "part-time" residents, remote operation of heating and electrical (lighting) systems can be a great economic benefit, as well as lowered insurance premiums. Most of all, the presence of a security system that can maintain a home so comprehensively will provide peace of mind, and can even be enjoyable to moni-

tor from afar.

The benefits in an automated smart system are clear. However, understand that the system only works if it is activated and monitored. Officers often arrive to burglarized homes that have appropriate "alarm" signage, but the cameras and sirens were never activated. These occurrences are all too common with fifty-four percent of homeowners not knowing how to use their systems. It is also very important to remember the little things: lock your homes and vehicles, and do not leave cash, phones, computers, jewelry, medications, and especially firearms, unattended.

With a little coordination, cooperative effort and wonderful use of technology, we can help to ensure that homes stay safe and sound all year.

- Chief John Cueto

## Golf Carts in Duck

**Golf carts:** vehicles designed for operation on a golf course for sporting/recreational purposes and that are not capable of exceeding speeds of 20mph.

### Can:

- Responsibly operate on side streets within the Town
  - \* *Safety equipment and age restrictions are strongly encouraged*
  - \* *Drivers are at least 16*
  - \* *Equipment includes headlights, taillights, mirrors, turn signals, seatbelts, reflectors, parking brake, windshield, and horn*
  - \* *Seatbelts are worn by all passengers*
- Cross Duck Road (NC 12) at a right angle for travel to and from the beach

### Cannot:

- Operate on or along Duck Road (NC 12)
- Use the boardwalk, pathways, sidewalks, bike lanes, or shoulders

The Town of Duck understands that the use of alternatives to traditional motor vehicles is cost effective and energy efficient. With various types of vehicles available, the choice can be confusing. Please use the following definitions and guidelines to enjoy the town safely.

**Low-speed vehicles (LSV):** electric vehicle licensed and registered with appropriate safety equipment and a top speed between 20 & 25mph. These may look like golf carts but meet federal and state standards for motor vehicles: "street legal."

### Can:

- Operate on Duck Road (NC 12) and all side streets where the posted speed limit is **35mph or less**
- Cross Duck Road (NC 12) where the speed limit exceeds 35mph at a right angle to travel to and from the beach.

### Cannot:

- Be used in a manner that violates the motor vehicle laws of North Carolina – driver must be licensed and seatbelts must be used
- Use the boardwalk, pathways, sidewalks, bike lanes, or shoulders

# Notes from the Chief...

## Wildland Fire Safety

With spring comes the cleaning of yards and anticipated landscape projects. Additionally, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 is Wildfire Community Preparedness Day. According to the National Interagency Fire Center, there were over 56,000 wildland fires in the United States in 2017. More frequently, firefighters are combating fires in the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) where homes and lands prone to wildland fires intersect.

We live in a beautiful but fragile coastal environment where an abundance of natural vegetation exists on our dunes and between our homes. The potential for a WUI fires exists here and we want you to be aware of how to better protect your property. Wind conditions here on the Outer Banks make burning embers a common cause of fires and fire spread. There are locally documented cases where open burning (bonfires, burning of debris), pyrotechnics, or improperly disposed of charcoal have started brush and structural fires.

There are many steps you can take to protect against wildfires, but this article will

focus on the vegetation on and around your home. Conscientious maintenance of the vegetation around your home can decrease your risk from burning embers or direct flame encroachment. The first and most important "zone" to be aware of is your home itself. The most vulnerable area is the 0-5 feet from the furthest attached exterior point (i.e. a deck). We urge all property owners to make this area "combustible free". This includes cleaning gutters and roofs of any dead vegetation (leaves, pine needles, etc.), cutting back branches hanging over your roof to provide 10 feet of clearance, and removing vegetation or combustible materials (wood piles, accumulation of leaves and debris) from up against the house.

The second "zone" is 5-30 feet from the most exterior point of your home. Here you want to break up the potential for fire to spread. This includes cleaning yards of dead branches and plants, allowing 10 feet between trees, and clearing a 10-foot space of vegetation around propane tanks. You may even want to consider mixing up

your landscaping with vegetation and hardscapes such as rock and other non-combustible materials.

Recreational fire pits are very popular and enjoyable. Follow these safety tips to decrease the risk of fire spread: adhere to manufacturer's instructions; operate with a minimum of 15 feet from structures or combustible material, never leave unattended if in use, and have a means to extinguish the fire readily available (i.e. fire extinguisher, garden hose, dirt). Be mindful of the wind conditions and the potential for flying embers.

Spring is a great time to enjoy the gardens, yards and recreational fire pits but also to stay aware and be prepared. For more information on protecting your home from wildland fires see the national Ready-Set-Go or Firewise Program. Stay safe!

- Chief Donna Black



## Things to Remember...



- All fireworks, including sparklers, are illegal
- Always lock your car and cottage
- Obey the speed limit
- Don't drink and drive
- Change your clock - change your smoke detector batteries
- Don't walk on the dunes
- For questions regarding Golf Cars or LSV contact the Duck Police

The Duck Police and Duck Fire Departments are located at  
1259 Duck Road.

### Emergency:

911

**Duck Police (Non-Emergency):**  
252.261.1112

**Duck Fire (Non-Emergency):**  
252.261.3929

**24-HR Dare Central Dispatch (Non-Emergency):**  
252.473.3444

**KNOX-BOX®**

This program is based on the installation of a small, wall-mounted safe in a secure area on the property which holds entry keys so that forced entry is not required. The KNOX-BOX® Rapid Entry System allows our firefighters access to your unoccupied residence or commercial building during an emergency or fire alarm activation. The box reduces response time, property damage, and the liability for lost keys. It is a simple method to protect property. To purchase, please contact Nicole Martin at [nmartin@townofduck.com](mailto:nmartin@townofduck.com).

# 2018 Events

## FREE Family Friendly events and activities

Come to the Duck Town Park for a variety of FREE family friendly events and activities. Whether you want to get up and move, watch and learn, or move to the beat, you'll find it all in Duck. Events are free and open to the public. However, please note that the magic show requires advance tickets. For more information on each event visit [www.townofduck.com](http://www.townofduck.com)

\*in the event of rain, events may be moved inside



### Thursdays

**Hula Hoop and Play on the Green**  
10:00 a.m. June 21– August 16

Learn how to hoop and play some games with local hoop instructor Kara Consolvo.

### Tuesdays



**Yoga on the Green**  
7:30 a.m. June 12– September 4

Brought to you by Village Realty and led by Village Yoga this class is great for all skill levels. Water and a mat are encouraged.

### Wednesdays



**Dynamic Flow on the Green**  
7:30 a.m. June 13– September 5

\*excludes July 4

Brought to you by Ships Watch Realty and led by Move Unbound, this class brings calisthenics for all skill levels.



**Children's Interactive Theater– Amphitheater**  
10:00 a.m. June 19– August 7

Brought to you in party by Carolina Designs Realty, enjoy interactive show presented by the NC Aquarium or The Mystery of the Lost Colony. Programs change weekly so see the Town website for more details.



### Fridays

**Story Time– Paul F. Keller Meeting Hall Steps**  
10:00 a.m. July 6– September 7

Geared towards the younger ones, join Duck's Cottage and Island Bookstore for a fun story time followed by interactive activities with Nature Out Loud or Lizard Land. See website for details.

**OBXtreme Magic– Amphitheater**  
9:30 & 11:00 a.m. June 20- August 1  
\* excludes July 4  
9:30 a.m. August 8 & 15

Brought to you by Toyrific, join world-renowned illusionist Clive Allen and be amazed! Free tickets are available at Kellogg Supply Co. each week.



**Concert on the Green**  
6:30 p.m. June 21– August 23

Brought to you in part by 99.1 The Sound, bring the family, chairs, and picnics to enjoy free live music Thursdays on the Town Green.

- June 21– Damn Janes
- June 28– Roebuck
- July 5– Matt Phillips & The Back Pocket
- July 12– Intangible Cats
- July 19– MikeMickXer
- July 26– Barefoot Wade
- August 2– USAF "Full Spectrum"
- August 9– Chisman Creek Band
- August 16– Rebekah Todd & The Odyssey
- August 23– Heather Gillis Band



Veterans, families, dogs, community floats, fire engines and more! What could be more American than that?! The Town of Duck 14th Annual 4th of July Parade and Celebration takes place on Wednesday, July 4, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Beginning at the crest of the hill on Scarborough Lane the parade then continues toward the ocean, turns left onto Ocean Way, then heads down Christopher Drive to conclude at Pamela Court. No part of the parade will take place on Duck Rd (NC 12). There is lots of prime viewing along the parade route, especially on Ocean Way. Town parking is limited, so walking or bike riding is encouraged!



Registration to participate in the parade is now open on the Town website! Please note that while registration is free, all groups must be registered to participate. There is a place for everyone to participate! Children accompanied by an adult and over the age of eight (8) are welcome to walk to ride their bikes in the parade. Sponsored by Outer Barks, we even have a group for your four-legged family member to show off their patriotic spirit.

Immediately following the parade, make your way to the Town Park for refreshments, live music by Just Playing Dixieland, and the awarding of parade trophies.

## Volunteer Opportunities



One of the six unifying principles for the Town of Duck is the belief in an active and engaged community. This community support and engagement is a large part of how the Town is able to present so many awesome events during the year. We are always looking to add volunteers to help at all events including summer events, beach plantings, 4th of July, Jazz Festival, and more! You do not even need to live in Duck to participate! If you would like to be added to the volunteer email list to receive notifications of opportunities and sign-up availability please contact Betsy Trimble at 252.255.1234 or [btrimble@townofduck.com](mailto:btrimble@townofduck.com)

### Nature on the Boardwalk

Back for the Spring! Join Rhana Paris, educator with the NC Aquarium of Roanoke Island, for stroll along the boardwalk to identify and learn about local wildlife and plants. Although free, space is limited. Call or email the Town office to reserve your spot!

- ◆ Tuesday, April 10– 6:30—8: 00 p.m.
- ◆ Wednesday, April 25– 9:00—10:30 a.m.
- ◆ Tuesday, May 8 6:30—8:00 p.m.
- ◆ Wednesday, May 23– 9:00— 10:30 a.m.



### Rotating Art Show

The Town of Duck Wall Décor Committee established a series of Rotating Art Shows to display the works of local artists and organizations. The artwork is on display at Duck Town Hall in the First Floor Conference Room Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- ◆ “Capturing the Skies of the Outer Banks” Oil Paintings by Catherine Hamill– through April 25, 218
- ◆ “Full Circle– Mixed Media” and Exhibit by Fred Vallade– May 3—July 26, 2018
- ◆ “Photography Exhibit” by Mark Buckler August 2– October 25, 2018
- ◆ “Possibilities...What If?” Mixed Media Exhibit by Mary Ann Remer– November 1, 2018—January 24, 2019



Marquis Hill signs CDs following his performance

# 2018 DUCK JAZZ FESTIVAL

PRESENTED BY PNC

COMING OCTOBER 6-7, 2018



Davina and the Vagabonds pose with a fan

The Duck Jazz Festival, presented by PNC, returns in 2018 on Columbus Day Weekend, October 5-7. Festival organizers look forward to bringing together returning Duck Jazz supporters, volunteers, event fans, and new attendees to Duck and the Outer Banks this October.

Friday kicks off with a special jazz-themed Children’s Story Time in the morning and an interactive presentation by artist Yolanda Rabun in the evening. The festival opening Concert on the Green scheduled for Saturday, October 6, will feature Raleigh-based Sidecar Social Club from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. on the main stage.

Festival musicians will gather Saturday evening at the Blue Point Restaurant where several will take part in an informal jazz jam. This event offers the public a unique glimpse of artists interacting together in a casual setting while enjoying a fun night out.

As in the past, a full day of music on two stages is scheduled for Sunday, October 7, with gates opening at 10:00 a.m. and the first performance of the day starting on the Main Stage at 11:00 a.m. Music continues until dusk. Performers slated for Sunday include

Bryan Carter & The Young Swangers, Huntertones, Yolanda Rabun, The Russell Malone Quartet, and the First Flight High School Jazz Band. The Main Stage will feature four performers beginning at 11 a.m. The Amphitheater Stage will feature US Air Force jazz ensemble Rhythm in Blue, the FFHS Jazz Band, and an interactive/educational performance by Bryan Carter.



The Dare County Student Workshop for middle school and high school jazz band and chorus students will be led by Huntertones on Monday following the festival. Discover the 2018 performers by visiting DuckJazz.com for musician bios and links.

Thanks to support by the Town of Duck, and significant support from PNC, grant organizations, and sponsor support from local businesses and indi-

viduals, the Duck Jazz Festival continues to be a free, non-ticketed festival. To learn how to support this Outer Banks tradition, please contact Christian Legner at [duckjazzfest@townofduck.com](mailto:duckjazzfest@townofduck.com), or visit [duckjazz.com](http://duckjazz.com) for a sponsor packet and details.

Businesses throughout Duck often participate and expand the jazz experience by offering special events and jazz-themed promotions leading up to and after the event. As we receive information about these unique events, you’ll find them on our website.

We look forward to celebrating the return of the Duck Jazz Festival this October and hope you will join us!



The Rad Trads after leading the student workshop at First Flight High School in 2017

## Sponsorship Opportunities

The Town of Duck offers a variety of family friendly events throughout the year. These events help draw visitors and residents from near and far and encourage support of the business community. Due to generous support, we can offer these events at no cost to the participants. In the 2027 Vision, the Town is continuing to support and partner with this thriving business community. There are many ways that organizations and

businesses can sponsor or become involved in our events. Sponsor benefits include recognition on the Town website, social media, and printed material based on level of sponsorship. In-kind donations can also be considered, and all contributions are tax deductible! For more information please contact Christian Legner at [clegner@townofduck.com](mailto:clegner@townofduck.com), Betsy Trimble at [btrimble@townofduck.com](mailto:btrimble@townofduck.com) or call 252-255-1234.



# Plants Across the Sand

Wow, what a whirlwind! When the fall 2017 newsletter was mailed, the Town was exploring the idea of a volunteer beach planting program to help stabilize our newly nourished beach. Our "active and engaged community" did not disappoint! The Plants Across the Sand program is going strong and has exceeded expectations. The first planting of American Beach Grass occurred on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2017, with 26 volunteers braving 20+ mph winds to set the pace for the rest of the planting season. Since that day, over 150 volunteers have come out to give over 570 volunteer hours. We have planted a total of 25 days with an average of 16 volunteers per planting (pretty impressive) and just under 140,000 sprigs in the sand. All community beach accesses in the nourished beach have been planted and only a few tie-ins between access points remain to be planted this fall. The goal of planting beach grass along the entire nourishment area before spring was a tall order that was nearly reached!

While the beach grass planting season has come to a close, the success of this program will hopefully carry into the spring with some Sea Oats (*Uniola paniculate*), Seashore Elder (*Iva imbricate*) and Bitter Panicum aka Panic grass (*Panicum amarum*) finding their way into the sand through the help of volunteer



Volunteers at work  
February 23, 2018

hands. We will break for the summer before starting back this fall to finish the remaining 380 linear feet in the nourished beach before moving on to stable areas north and south of the nourished beach.

This is a fun way to get out to the beach, develop relationships with

Kill Devil Hills Rotary Club at Sound Sea- Acorn  
Dr. Community Access- February 25, 2018



Mallard Drive Community Access  
December 14, 2017

your neighbors and other members of the Duck community and give back to your community. You do not even have to live or own property in Duck to participate! We have welcomed many groups and organizations from outside of the Duck community to plant. If you know or are a part of a group that is looking to give back with a community service project, please email Sandy Cross at [scross@townofduck.com](mailto:scross@townofduck.com) or call 252.255.1234 for more information.



No doubt you have noticed a few critters while strolling around town. While most of them bring delight to both residents and visitors, others may not be as welcome.



# Wildlife in Duck

Check out our new webpage "Wildlife in Duck," to learn more about living with wild neighbors. <https://www.townofduck.com/wildlife-in-duck/>

The page has a checklist for your home and yard, descriptions of the types of human-wildlife interactions, and ways to avoid nuisance animals.



You can also find links to more topics:

- In-depth species information
- NC Wildlife Resources Commission Wildlife Helpline
- Presentation by WRC biologists
- Duck wildlife video – Destination Dare

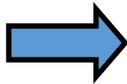




## Beach Holes

### Fill in your beach holes

Don't let your beach fun become a danger to you or others. To prevent collapse, keep the depth at knee level and never tunnel. Be kind to your beach neighbors: fill in the holes before you head home; they can be dangerous to lifeguards on ATVs, other beach-goers, and wildlife.

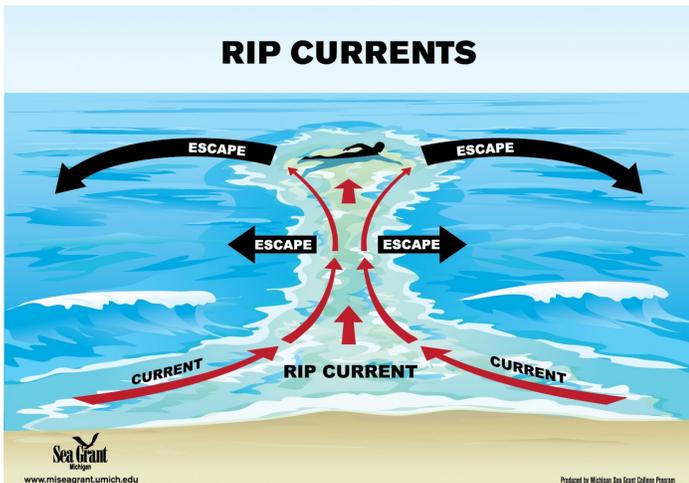


## Rip Currents

Did you know that an estimated 80% of surf rescues by lifeguards are caused by rip currents? These channels of water pull swimmers away from shore, moving very quickly.

Reduce this risk:

- Know how to swim.
- Never swim alone.
- Swim near a lifeguard.
- If in doubt, don't go out!



## Beach Rules

Pets welcome under the control and watchful eye of owner. Keep beaches clean – please pick up after your pet.

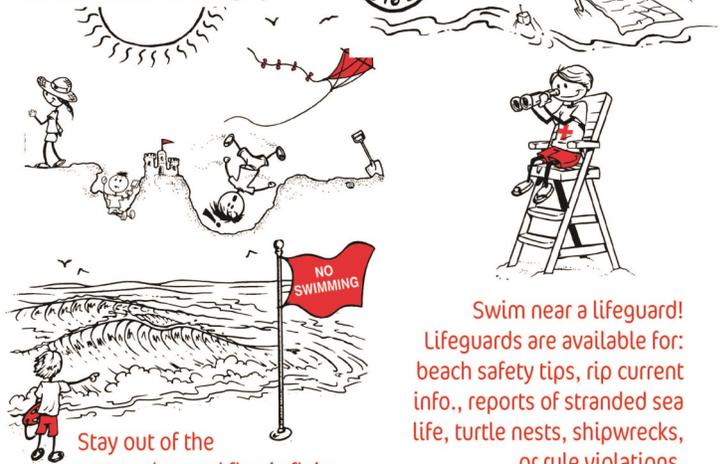
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**DUCK**  
NORTH CAROLINA



Remove all unattended personal items by 5PM daily or they may be removed as litter.



Please monitor & refill all beach holes to avoid injury.



Swim near a lifeguard!  
Lifeguards are available for: beach safety tips, rip current info., reports of stranded sea life, turtle nests, shipwrecks, or rule violations.

Stay out of the water when red flag is flying.

- Keep at least 15' between beach dune and tents for emergency access.
- Maintain a 15' perimeter around lifeguard stands for rescue vehicle access.
- Do not tie tents together and keep 10' minimum between tents.
- Fireworks and bonfires are not permitted.
- Use walkways and designated beach accesses.
- DUNES ARE FRAGILE! Do not walk, climb, dig, slide, jump or rappel off dunes.
- Vehicles are not permitted on our beach between May 1 and September 30. There is no public vehicular access. Vehicles of residents and renters are permitted off-season using designated private vehicular access points.
- Lifeguards are on duty from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. between May 1 to October 31.

**RESPECT THE OCEAN: IF CONDITIONS EXCEED YOUR CAPABILITIES, STAY OUT OF THE WATER!**

## Tips for Responsible Recycling



TFC Recycling allows customers to mix recyclables in one bin, making it easy to recycle! Once collected from your curb, items are taken to a Materials Recovery Facility for sorting. Here, paper is baled and taken to a mill. Bottles and cans are sorted by machinery and humans, compacted, baled, and sent to companies that use them to make new products. TFC now accepts food and drink cartons, too! Recyclable cartons come in two types, shelf-stable and refrigerated. You'll recognize these as juice, milk, soup, cream, and even wine cartons. Recycling cartons is as easy as emptying them and placing in your mixed bin for a future life as paper towels, ceiling tiles, and green building materials.

Why is it important to follow recycling guidelines? We all know recycling is good for the environment. But when non-recyclables slow down the process by clogging machinery or increasing the amount of time it takes to sort items, recycling becomes much less efficient. Take time to review the recycling guide and give your trash a new life.

### Recyclables

- Aluminum Cans
- Plastic Bottles
- Mixed Paper
- Steel & Tin Cans
- Glass Bottles & Jars
- Empty Food Boxes
- Cardboard
- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Food & Beverage Cartons
- Junk Mail
- Phone Books

### Non-Recyclables

- Food Waste
- Plastic Bags
- Electronics
- Hazardous Waste
- Styrofoam
- Light Bulbs
- Bubble Wrap
- Wood
- Yard Clippings
- Hypodermic Needles
- Aerosol/Paint Cans
- Toys

Need a new or additional recycling container?  
Contact the Town office at 252-255-1234 or by email at [info@townofduck.com](mailto:info@townofduck.com)

## Upcoming Meetings & Dates

### FY 2019 Budget Schedule

- April 18, 2018– Town Council Mid-Month meeting  
Budget Presentation
- May 16, 2018– Town Council Mid-Month meeting work session
- June 6, 2018– Town Council Regular meeting with Public Hearing

\*Additional work sessions may be added as required. Please check the Town events calendar for updates. All meetings will be available on YouTube as soon after the meeting as possible.

### Town Council

All Town Council Meetings will take place on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Paul F. Keller Meeting Hall (Regular Meeting) and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm. (as Needed)

### Planning Board

All Planning Board Meetings will take place on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Paul F. Keller Meeting Hall (Regular Meeting) and 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. (Only as Needed).

## Residential Recycling and Trash Collection Schedule

**Residential Solid Waste Collection** for the Town of Duck is provided by Waste Management, Inc. Solid Waste should be put in existing **BLACK AND BROWN** waste containers. **Residential Recycling** for the Town of Duck is provided by Tidewater Fibre Corporation utilizing leased **BLUE** containers. **Collection days are as follows:**

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- May 1st through September 30th;** Mondays & Fridays (twice per week).
  - October 1st through April 30th;** Mondays (once per week).
  - Every Monday from **May 1st through October 31st;** 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from **November 1st through April 30th**

## TOWN COUNCIL

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- ◆ Monica Thibodeau, Mayor Pro Tempore
- ◆ Chuck Burdick
- ◆ Jon Britt
- ◆ Nancy Caviness

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- ◆ Sandy Cross, Permit Coordinator/CAMA LPO
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- ◆ Jason Garrett, Master Police Officer
- ◆ Joe Knight, Master Police Officer
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- ◆ Chuck Edwards, Officer I
- ◆ John Gilreath, Officer I

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- ◆ Jeffrey Del Monte, Captain
- ◆ Jared Smith, Captain
- ◆ Trey Batschelet, Captain
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- ◆ Brandon Boyd, Firefighter
- ◆ Nicole Martin, Public Safety Administrative Assistant

# Stay Connected!

The Town of Duck strives to keep all constituents informed and connected to Town news and events. Thanks to social media and the internet, there are more ways to stay engaged.

**WEBSITE:** The Town of Duck's website is [www.townofduck.com](http://www.townofduck.com). It contains easy-to-find information regarding Town meetings, events, ordinances, zoning requirements, and services.

**EMAIL LIST:** The Town of Duck maintains an email list which provides weekly updates on meetings, events, and other news that occur between the printings of this newsletter. To be added to our list, please visit [www.townofduck.com](http://www.townofduck.com), click on "[Subscribe to E-Newsletter](#)" on the upper right side of the page, and use the automated form to subscribe.

**FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM:** Find us on social media for the most up-to-date happenings in the Town. Facebook: [Town of Duck](#), [Duck, NC](#), and [DuckJazz Festival](#). Instagram: [@townofduck](#)

**YOUTUBE:** Find the latest video features on a variety of aspects of the Town of Duck as well as Town Council meetings at the YouTube channel [DuckPR](#).

**Share your photos!** Follow Town of Duck on Facebook, Instagram and [@DuckOBX](#) on Twitter. Share your photos with [#DuckNC](#) for a chance to be featured on our pages.

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