



SOUTHERN SHORELINES

Newsletter of the Southern Shores Civic Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

December 2019

As we race towards the end of the year with preparations for holiday parties and travels, it's a pleasure to take a look back at 2019 and all that we have accomplished together. Combining judicious spending with countless volunteer hours by members, we repaired the shoreline at the North Marina and Soundview Park, upgraded Sound access at Kingfisher Drive, built a beach access ramp at Hillcrest for individuals with mobility challenges, rebuilt 4 beach crossovers and maintained the other 29. We worked with the Coast Guard Auxiliary to modify and rehabilitate the channel markers along the Southern Shores access/egress route. We worked with Coastal Federation volunteers to

continue improvements to Sea Oats Community Park. Reinforcing our community spirit, we installed new signs at our properties that welcome all Southern Shores residents and their guests. We introduced new online capabilities for members to submit membership information and pay dues, making it easier for members and our dedicated office staff.

We did comprehensive cash reserves analysis and concluded that the SSCA is on firm footing at present. The Reserve study will serve as a foundation for future planning. Continuing to encourage new membership and the new dues structure for next year will ensure we remain in

good financial shape as we enter a new decade. We're ready for the roaring 20's!

It's been my pleasure to serve as president of the SSCA this past year. Meeting and working side by side with our members has been both productive and rewarding. I'm proud of all we accomplished and look forward to supporting the 2020 leadership team anyway I can. Get involved. Help your SSCA. Together we thrive.

Warmest wishes for a joyous and safe holiday season!

--- Rod McCaughey, SSCA President



Sunset, November 2019

MEMBERSHIP / BOAT SLIP RENTALS

The updated SSCA website (www.sscaobx.org) allows for members to renew online or print the application to drop off at the office or mail in with your check. While the first year with any new system has its challenges (see more in the next report), we are pleased that so many of you have successfully renewed with online payment. You may enjoy the following from Jeff Johnson:

“As an ‘e-challenged’ 60-something who has to have a 12-year old’s help using a smart phone, I was planning to renew my SSCA membership for 2020 by mailing in the paper application with a check--the old way. However, since I have somewhat learned to use “the Amazon,” I thought I would give the new on-line renewal a try. Wow! Intuitive, easy and saved a stamp. I encourage everyone try it. -- Jeff Johnson”

Please, if at all possible, renew your SSCA membership for 2020 before the end of this year. Your decals and passes will arrive in the mail. Also, please consider forwarding a link to the new website to your local friends, neighbors and family who are not yet members. Let’s set a goal of 100% membership in the SSCA!

Boat slip renewal emails are in the process of being sent and will be finished by mid-December. If you are interested in a boat slip, please contact me at : rgrimes1@centurylink.net or leave a message with the SSCA Office.

---Submitted by Randy Grimes, Membership Director & Boat Slip Manager

COMMUNICATIONS AND WEBSITE

The SSCA Office Admin Staff and I knew this first membership renewal with a new database was going to have some hiccups, and we have learned quite a bit as the renewal process is moving forward. We are also very encouraged by the number of our 1800+ members who updated their demographic data and paid for their 2020 membership online! We appreciate everyone’s patience while we get the 2020 decals and passes posted to each of you who have already renewed. I personally appreciate all of the kind words of encouragement from several of you who understand the learning process with any database migration. Going into 2020, we have a modern, secure and flexible database and website that will allow us to serve all of our members more quickly. A big thank you to Leslie and Susan, the SSCA Office Admin staff, for their enthusiasm and energy to get this project through launch and onto phase 2!

---Submitted by Lee Fallon, Communications & Website Director

LONG RANGE PLANNING/BYLAWS

Several changes to the SSCA Bylaws were unanimously approved at the 11/21 special members’ meeting. You may view the current Bylaws as well as minutes from Board and General Membership Meetings on the SSCA website under the Members Resource Center tab – you do have to be logged in as this is an SSCA members only section. It’s a good chance to look over the new website!

-- Submitted by Jeff Johnson, Long Range Planning/Bylaws

PROPERTIES



Dorian caused significant beach and dune erosion at the **108A Ocean Blvd** dune crossover and destroyed the ocean side stairs

Over the next month the dune face eroded to the top of the stairs so there was about a six foot drop to the beach; but then the ocean added about three feet of sand to the beach, some of which likely came from the dune face.



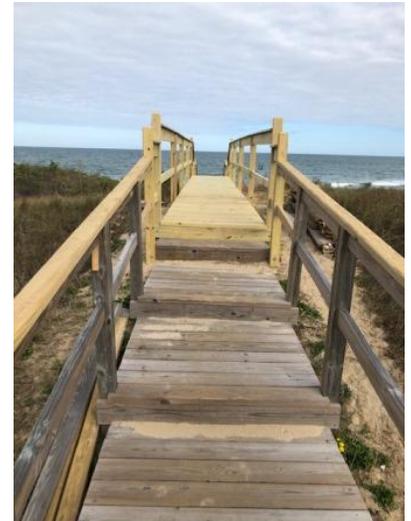
As the eastern half of the crossover was up to five feet below the dune top and was approaching replacement structurally, we decided to do this part of the crossover as well



New XOVR from beach



From west end



Fortunately our mid-November nor'easter didn't appear to cause any significant dune or beach erosion in the vicinity of the 33 crossovers. In fact, at some XOVRs the beach level rose significantly (12" - 18")!

The memorial sign, "John Macomber Observation Deck", at the Chicahawk crossover is rotting away. If anyone can share information about John or the sign, we'd greatly appreciate it.

--- Submitted by Joel Newton, Properties Director



**SSCA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
PITTS CENTER
JANUARY 13, 2020 – 7 PM**



We look forward to seeing you at the January General Membership Meeting! We will serve light refreshments before the meeting, so come early at 6:30 and enjoy some hospitality!

AGENDA

Call to Order	Rod McCaughey
Pledge of Allegiance	
Moment of Silence	
Approval of Agenda	
Minutes - Approval Oct 14 2019 & Nov 21 2019 Meetings	Emily Gould
Treasurer's Report	Tisa Head
<u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>	
Communications/Website	Lee Fallon
Secretary/Tennis	Emily Gould
Finance	Tisa Head
Membership/Marina Slip Rental Manager	Jeff Johnson/Randy Grimes
Volunteer/Social Coordinator	Bill Cogger
Beautification/Marina Property Manager	Paul Schollaert
Properties	Joel Newton
Bylaws/LRP/ARB	Rod McCaughey/Jeff Johnson
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS</u>	
Boat Club	Don Sowder
<u>TOWN REPORT</u>	Mayor Tom Bennett

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Board Members

MEMBER COMMENTS (3-minute limit per speaker)

ADDITIONAL INFO:

Special Board Meeting: January 13, 2020 following General Meeting

Next SSCA Board Meeting: February 6, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

Next General Membership Meeting: April 13, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

We will be electing new Directors to the SSCA Board at our January 13, 2020 General Membership meeting. The term of Rod McCaughey (President) has ended. Tisa Head (Treasurer) is stepping down. Joel Newton, Jeff Johnson and Emily Gould have each agreed to serve an additional 2 year term, consistent with SSCA bylaws. In addition to these individuals, The Nominating Committee has submitted the additional names of Ernie Dash and Jeff Graham to fill the 2 available board slots. We present the entire slate of candidates for your consideration for election at the 1/13/20 meeting. Thank you to everyone for their participation in the selection process.

Ernie Dash



Ernie has been a member of the SSCA ARB since 2017 and he and his wife (Lynn) have been active NEST volunteers for several years. He is a retired meteorologist and systems engineer. He spent 30 years supporting the FAA weather data link communications programs after retiring from 27 years of active Air Force service. They purchased their home on Periwinkle Place in 2012 after spending many family summers renting at various OBX locations. He now enjoys looking over the Southern Shores Circle pond from the backyard of their home. He's also known for his love of donuts and sharing them with others.

Emily Gould



My name is Emily Gould. I am a 2007 graduate of Virginia Wesleyan University with a degree in Recreation and Leisure. Originally from Chesapeake, VA, I have been a resident and employee of Dare County for eight years as a Leisure Activities Coordinator with Older Adult Services. In my spare time I enjoy volunteering with many community organizations, such as Friends of Youth and the Business and Professional Women's Club, running with my dog Hank, catching up with friends and traveling with my husband, Jim Gould. I have been a Southern Shores resident for almost two years and hope to be an active part in the Civic Association.

Jeff Graham



Jeff Graham of Southern Shores, North Carolina, in his black '58 Bugeye.
Photos by Daniel Mainzer

Jeff Graham, at 44 Duck Woods Drive, has been a Southern Shores resident for over 20 years and is a past SSCA Board member. Jeff is a retired local business owner—The Beach Book and Beach Explorer. Jeff is married to Danyeale Graham and in his spare time enjoys racing his 1958 Austin Healy FrogEye Sprite on the Vintage Sports Car circuit.

Jeff Johnson



Jeff Johnson has been a North Carolina commercial real estate attorney since 1991. While his office is in Raleigh, Jeff and his wife, Diane Tindall, who is also an attorney, have a home in Southern Shores where they usually spend three or four days a week—working remotely and commuting between the beach and Raleigh. They have professional biographies on their firm’s website, www.wryick.com.

Jeff grew up in Ohio, and Diane in New Jersey. They met in graduate school in West Virginia and both taught English at NC State in the early 1980’s before going to law school at UNC at different times.

They chose Southern Shores as a place to live because of the natural beauty of the wooded residential neighborhoods and the beaches as well as for the strong sense of community they discovered here, coming as visitors for many years. Jeff previously served on the SSCA Board from 2010 to 2014 as the Bylaws and Long-Range Planning Director and is interested in renewing his Board work to help preserve the strength and independence of the SSCA, as the only community organization representing all of the property owners in Southern Shores, and to help maintain and preserve the common properties owned by the SSCA



Joel Newton

- Retired from U.S. Air Force after 26 years of active duty as a Base Civil Engineer
- Subsequently employed as Director of Physical Plant at Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, and then Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA, retiring to our house in Chicahauk in 2007.
- 2009 to date: Chairman, CPOA Architectural Review Board.
- 2009 thru 2012: Volunteered for maintenance and repair of SSCA's 33 beach dune crossovers.
- 2013 thru 2016: SSCA Properties Director. Added Long Range Planning to portfolio for 2014 thru 2015.
- 2017: Continued volunteering for maintenance and repair of SSCA's 33 beach dune crossovers, while also leading replacement of two crossovers by contract and one by volunteers.
- 2017: Appointed to CPOA Board as Director of Long Range Planning.

