

Photo courtesy of NASA Flight Engineer Randy Bresnik aboard the International Space Station.

Chincoteague Island, Virginia Oyster Bay II Community Newsletter September 2017

Hello OB II,

Hope everyone enjoys a happy and safe Labor Day Weekend!

New To The Neighborhood ...

Congratulations and warm welcome wishes to Charles Chagnon who recently purchased a home at XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX We look forward to seeing you in the neighborhood.

Updates From The Boards ...

Oyster Bay II Property Owners Association: The OB II Board of Directors is scheduled to meet on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at 9am. The location: Hampton Inn & Suites, 4179 Main St. in the conference room. The purpose of the meeting is for general updates from all of the committees and to prepare for the annual POA meeting in October. All members are welcome to attend.

Oyster Bay Water & Sewer Company: The BoD meeting of the OB Water & Sewer Co. is also scheduled for Saturday, September 16, 2017 at 1pm in the same location. The purpose of this meeting is also for general committee updates and to prepare information for the annual POA meeting in October. All members are welcome to attend.

An important message to all OB Water & Sewer Company Customers: As you know, this is the middle of hurricane season. It's very important that you make sure that your sewer pipe clean-out pipe is capped. When it's left uncapped, ground water can enter the sewer system and cause an overflow condition; an uncapped pipe can also become filled with debris, grass, pine cones, etc, eventually causing a back up. Both situations may result in the need for costly repairs.

A Note From Our WebMaster ...

Please Check Your Information!

Recently I've helped several property owners get access to the Members section of the website by resetting their password. In the course of doing this, I noticed that the email address they used to contact me was different from the email address in the Member Master list. Member contact information is kept in the Members area and in Water and Sewer areas and requires a login and password to ensure your personal information is not accessible to everyone on the Internet.

Specifically, contact information is listed in <u>Membership</u> <u>Master Mailing List</u> and the <u>Oyster Bay II Residence</u> <u>Directory</u> documents in the Members area. Email addresses are also listed in the <u>2017 Board of Directors and</u>

<u>Committee Members</u> document. Contact information for Water and Sewer customers is stored in <u>Oyster Bay Water and Sewer Customer Contact Information</u>; <u>August 2, 2017</u> and in the <u>Oyster Bay Water and Sewer Board of Directors and Committee Contact Information</u>; <u>August 2, 2017</u> found in the Water and Sewer tab.

Please take a few minutes to check your information in the above mentioned documents. You will need your login and password to gain access. If you have forgotten your login and/or your password information, please contact me (andy.suchoski@verizon.net) and I will help you get access. If you find any discrepancies, please send me an email with the corrected information and I will get it into the documents.

-Andy Suchoski

Summer Guests ...

By Andy Suchoski

Many different species of birds can be seen on and around Mallard Lake. Several varieties of heron, egret and duck frequent the lake and occasionally a cormorant can be seen diving for fish. However, this summer large numbers of ibis have been frequenting the lake. Earlier in the summer there was a mix of glossy (reddish-brown) and white ibis but later in the summer most of the sightings have been of the white ibis. Between 50 and 100 show up and roost in the trees for a while, then move to the water's edge foraging in the shallow water and returning to the trees to repeat the cycle. They put on quite a show. One day a group of white ibises was sitting in the dead pine trees on the small island in the lake when a dead branch broke and crashed to the ground. There was a mild panic to get clear of the falling debris.



Photo courtesy of Andy Suchoski

White ibises are easy to spot. They have long legs and a long neck that they hold out straight in flight. Their bill is long and curved. They're almost entirely white, save for the black-tipped wings and brilliant reddish pink legs and bill. The bare skin around their blue eyes is also reddish pink.

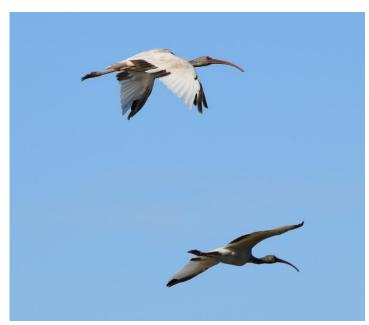


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Juveniles (fall through winter) are brown above and white below with a streaky brown neck. The legs and bill of juveniles are orange-pink. Immature ibises (first summer birds) are splotchy brown and white above as they molt into adult plumage.



Photo courtesy of Andy Suchoski

White ibises are wetland birds. These long-legged waders forage in groups in shallow wetlands and other areas with standing water. They walk slowly with their heads down probing the muddy surface for insects and crustaceans. They use freshwater marshes, coastal estuaries, mangroves, flooded pastures, mudflats, and swamps. They usually forage in shallow areas with less than 8 inches of water, but they also use lawns and parks.



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Chincoteague Island is at the northernmost range of the white ibis.

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Cleaning Up For the Fall?

Need info on when bulk trash collection is done? Do you know who to call to schedule to have it picked up? Visit http://www.chincoteague-va.gov/citizens/trash-disposal-information

Please mail all OB II POA, Inc. dues, payments and correspondence to:

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