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Chincoteague Island, VA Oyster Bay II Community Newsletter Summer 2020

Greetings OB II,

Finally, summer 2020 has arrived on Chincoteague. What a spring we all experienced. While “normal” still seems like it’s a long distance away, hopefully, we’re on the right track to getting close. In the meantime just seeing families and friends enjoying the beach, people and their dogs playing at the dog park and businesses opening up again should give everyone some much needed good feelings.

Enjoy, relax and be safe.

Updates From The Boards ...

The meetings of the BoD of the OB II Property Owners Association and the OB Water & Sewer Co. that were scheduled for April 18th have been postponed. Once a

new date has been established, you will be notified. All OB II members are welcome to attend these meetings.

Meeting Minutes from the **OB II POA** BoD meeting held on October 19th, are available at <http://www.ob2poa.org> under the members section.

OB Water & Sewer Co., Inc.: The Annual Shareholders Meeting Minutes and the W&S Co. Board meeting minutes from the October 19th meeting are also posted on the community website.

An **important** reminder to all OB Water & Sewer subscribers, your 3rd quarter Water & Sewer subscription fee is due on July 1st, 2020. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Important OB II Reminders ...



Residents with bulk trash items which cannot be disposed of by curbside pickup or at the Recycling Center may wish to use the Town's bulk trash

service. The Town's policy governing bulk trash provides for the collection of brush (quarterly), scrap metal, appliances and furniture (monthly). Citizens wishing to use this service must contact the Town (757.336.6519) at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled pick up. For more detailed information, visit <https://chincoteague-va.gov/trash-disposal-information/>

Any construction on your property

requires the approval of the Architectural Committee and Town permits.

The OB2poa.org website contains the OBII Building Plan Process and links to the Town's website for Forms and Applications in the Resources, <https://ob2poa.org/Resources/index.html>, and the Members, <https://ob2poa.org/Members/index.html>, sections.



Poop Patrol

I have received several messages from members of our community who are getting tired of picking up and disposing of the poop from dogs other than their own. Leaving your dogs poop behind for someone else to step on and or clean up is disrespectful and rude.



Please remind your renters, family, friends and visitors that if they want to walk their dogs in OB II, they must pick up after their pet(s).

Meet Some Commonly Seen Turtles In Virginia ...

Courtesy of Kathy Van Mullekom, *The Daily Press*

Box Turtle

Eastern box turtles are known to live their entire lives in an area the size of a football field, and are very aware of when they can find water and which fruits ripen at certain times of the year



Photo courtesy of NWF

Box turtles grow slowly and have late maturation, which doesn't help their population numbers since it is difficult to replace an adult turtle that has been killed. Box turtles in Virginia are probably in decline, although there isn't any specific study that has proven so. All evidence points towards a population decline in most suburban areas.

Eastern Painted Turtle

Sometimes called the "basking buddies" of the Red-bellied Cooter turtle because they are almost always seen together out basking on logs. Most people mistake Painted turtles as being baby turtles of the larger turtles but they are full sized at 4-6 inches. They also are the most colorful, and are the only Virginia turtle with both yellow and red stripes on their neck.



Eastern Painted Turtle, photo courtesy of NWF



Red-bellied Cooter Turtle, photo courtesy of NWF

Of any of the turtles you'll see basking on a log, this will be largest and one of the most common. This species can grow to dinner plate size, 10-12 inches long in shell length. These turtles are important because they keep our reservoirs from getting choked with aquatic plants.

Snapping Turtle (see photo of the Cary Grant lookalike on 1st page of newsletter)

This is probably one of Virginia's most misunderstood turtles. Most people's only exposure to this animal is a female on land trying to find a place to dig a nest. It should be understandable that an animal that spends 95 percent of its life in water would be a little scared about coming out onto land. Snapping turtles are not nearly as defensive in water. They have been studied and shown that they don't significantly impact fish or bird populations, mostly because they only prey upon diseased, weak or very young animals. .

Cheers for our totally terrific turtles!

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