



**Town Shellfish Crier  
March 12, 2020**

**1. Herring River Opens Tuesday, March 17**

The Mass. Division of Marine Fisheries water quality testing approved Herring River to open, and the Selectboard voted on it Tuesday evening. As of a half hour before sunrise on Tuesday, March 17, Herring River (CCB12) will open to commercial shellfishing. Low tide is a .5 at 1:19 p.m. Limit one bushel. Please use Powers Landing only to access and leave the area by truck. It will close at sunset on Monday, August 31. Shellfishing is prohibited as you look toward the dike in the area delineated by candy striped poles on either side and two small ones in the water. Don't hesitate to ask one of us for specifics.

**2. Dragging Inner Harbor Channel Open to Quahogging**

The channel in the inner harbor from the breakwater to the L-Pier is open to quahogging as of today, March 12, through April 30. In order to participate in this program, you will need to let the Shellfish Dept. know and your boat must be registered per Wellfleet's Shellfishing Policy and Regulations. Tags are CCB13. In addition, the Harbormasters require:

- that you are paid up with the town, for example, Harbormaster fees, excise taxes for boats, insurance,
- that there is always someone at the helm, and
- that you display day shapes to indicate active trawling (dragging).

**3. Shellfish Advisory Board Meeting, Monday, March 16, at 6 p.m. at Wellfleet Council on Aging, 715 Old King's Highway**

Agenda

Minutes approval  
Shellfish Dept. (WSD) monthly report  
Friends of the Herring River announcement about dedicated shellfishermen's meeting  
Beach Clean Up announcement – Sat., Apr. 25  
Considerations for the MSI scoping committee's final report  
Overwintering changes review and vote  
New grant report form discussion  
Letters to Town re: support for transfer of town-owned property to ConsComm and vote  
Vote on WSD budget  
Vote on WSD revolving fund  
Plastics internship review of applicants

**4. Shellfish Advisory Board Seeks an Intern**

Do you know anyone who is passionate about green initiatives? Or someone who loves exploring environmentally friendly solutions for our marine environment? Shellfish Advisory

Board is looking for a volunteer intern to help research and follow up on leads for alternatives to plastics in aquaculture gear. Please check the job description out [here](#) and share it widely. Deadline to apply is March 15.

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