Town Shellfish Crier
April 29, 2019

1. **Vote Today at Council on Aging from Noon to 7 p.m.**
   Attention all in shellfishing community! There are two ballot questions that directly relate to shellfishing: Wellfleet Harbor Dredging and Purchase of Parcel 17 on Map 34 (H.D.Y.L.T.A. Trust). Voting is open from noon to 7 p.m. today at the Senior Center.

2. **Duck Creek and Chipman's Cove Closing as of Sunrise on May 1**
   Please be advised that the last tide you can harvest shellfish from these areas is tomorrow, April 30. Low is at 3:09 p.m., and it is a 1.8. Chipman's Cove will reopen on Sunday, Oct. 27, 2019. Duck Creek will reopen on Sunday, December 1, 2019, pending clean state water test.

3. **Shellfish Advisory Board (SAB) Beach Clean Up is Saturday, May 11 – Save the Date!**
   The annual SAB Beach Clean Up will take place on Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Low tide is at 11:40 a.m., and it is a -.1. Meet at Mayo Beach at 9 a.m. for assignments. There will be dumpsters at Mayo and the pier. We need boats and crews to collect racks from the West Side and piles that have been collected in the harbor. We collected more than **2 tons of rebar** in our February clean up, and we know there is a lot more out there, so please make time to help out. Many hands make light work! Thanks in advance!

4. **Marine Debris Can Be Disposed of for FREE at Transfer Station**
   The Town of Wellfleet has a grant to collect and dispose of marine debris free of charge, and we encourage all shellfishermen to take advantage of it. You can help us make the most out of this grant money by bringing your gear and gear that you find to the transfer station for free. Boat operators: Please contact the Shellfish Dept. when you find gear during fishing operations. We can come out and pick it up and bring it to transfer station. Also, DPW garbage cans on the pier are not intended for shellfishermen's garbage. Please take your trash to the transfer station. Many thanks!

5. **Industry Vibrio Outreach Public Meeting on Thurs., May 9**
   The Mass. Division of Marine Fisheries is holding its annual vibrio control plan training on Thursday, May 9, 2019, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. in the Earl Mountain Rm. at the Eastham Town Hall, 2500 State Highway, Eastham, MA 02651. Chris Schillaci always has new information and updates to share, so we ask you to please attend. **This is mandatory for boat operators who will be harvesting oysters during vibrio season, all first-year commercial permitholders, including those who had permits in the past but did not have one last year, and those who held permits for the first-time last year, but did not attend last year's training.** Please contact the Shellfish Department with questions. Thank you.

Contact Nancy at nancy.civetta@wellfleet-ma.gov or 617-901-7193 with ideas for information to include in these communications. Thank you!

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