

Town Recreational Shellfish Crier July 9, 2022

## 1. 10-Quart Mixed Shellfish Weekly Limit

The total amount of shellfish, comprising oysters, quahogs, soft-shell clams or razor clams, blood ark clams or ponderous ark clams taken in one (1) week shall not exceed ten (10) quarts, which is one full wire (peck) basket. The new week starts on Sundays. While you may still use a receptacle other than the 10-quart wire basket, we will be bringing the 10-quart basket to the tide and measuring catch. **Anything that does not fit in our baskets will be put back because it means that the catch limit has been exceeded.** Please see the pictures below for the correct size basket. Basket on the right is correct size, a 10-quart basket. Basket on the left is a half bushel basket.



## 2. The Wellfleet Shellfish Department is Hiring

The Department is searching for a part-time employee to help with recreational patrol due to the increase in recreational shellfishing – and the fact that our current part-time constable Anna Meichenbaum is leaving to pursue a Master's in Marine Policy and Conservation at SUNY Stony Brook. The position is temporary, running from August 3 to September 30, 2022, on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. The position picks up next year as well, from May 12 to June 30, 2023. The employee will be expected to help with recreational patrol, participate in propagation activities with Johnny Clam, and assist Nancy

with administrative tasks. Please share this posting far and wide. Click <u>here</u> to see the job description and <u>here</u> to access the application.

## 3. Tide to Table: The Remarkable Journey of Oysters – Watch it on YouTube!

The PaceDocs Team from Pace University created a short 20-minute film documentary featuring Wellfleet shellfishermen and Assistant Shellfish Constable for Propagation Johnny Clam Mankevetch. The film captures the role of oysters in providing ecosystem services and their popularity on the plate. The documentary is being entered into many film festivals and can now be found on YouTube. Click <u>here</u> to watch it!

## 4. Johnny Clam's at it Again!

Tune into WCVB-TV's (Channel 5 / ABC) "<u>Chronicle</u>" on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. to watch Johnny Clam discuss our recent cultching activities and collaboration with Mass Oyster Project's restaurant shell recycling program!

Contact Nancy at <u>nancy.civetta@wellfleet-ma.gov</u> or 508-349-0325 with ideas on how the Shellfish Department can help or improve shellfishing. Thank you!

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