

## **Presidents' Message**

by Lisa Landry

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**Just thought I would do a quick president's letter.**

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## WINTER ISLAND RALLY REPORT, 2017

We had twenty attendees for our Winter Island Rally, June 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>. Our hors oeuvres for Friday was put off until Saturday, as Mother Nature did not cooperate for us.

Saturday morning the group was served coffee, waffles and breakfast sausage prepared by Master Chef Bob Titterington and apprentice Fred Sage.

After breakfast, the majority of the group took the trolley to downtown Salem for some site seeing and museum tours. We were fortunate late morning to have a visit by Ellen and Tom Kinsman and Joanne and Chuck Emma

Saturday night brought out the hors d'oeuvres prior to an Italian stuffed shells dinner prepared by Nancy Sage and salad prepared by Anita Casey who also brought fresh Italian bread.

Sunday Morning brought coffee, Nancy's lemon bread, blueberry- banana bread, zuchini bread and appleanna bread and coffee cake supplied by Carolyn Hafer.

All in all a great time was had by everyone.

Submitted by,

Bob Pierro, Alternate National Director, Cape Codders

**CAPE CODDERS' GENERAL MEETING 2017**

**DATE:** May 28, 2017

**LOCATION:** Second Beach, Middletown, RI

**Officers:**

**Co-Presidents (17)**

**John & Lisa Landry F196395**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (17)**

**Michael Mastrobattisto F114001**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (17)**

**Joanne Callanan F5533D**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President (17)**

**William Thompson F281615**

**Treasurer (17)**

**Susan Thompson F281615**

**Recording Secretary (17)**

**Susan Day F311198 (np and resigned)**

**Membership Secretary (17)**

**Howard Martin F248584**

**National Director (17)**

**Susan Thompson F281615**

**Alt. National Director (17) (np)**

**Robert Pierro F334753**

**Directors**

**Karen Long F415548 (17) (np and resigned)**

**Ed Bates F410497 (17)**

**Anita Casey F104035 (18)**

**Fred Sage F105466 (18) (np)**

**Nancy Sage F105466 (19) (np)**

**Bob Titterington (19) (np)**

**Newsletter Editor (17)**

**Norky Mastrobattisto F114001**

**Sergeant-at-Arms (17)**

**Robert Casey F104035**

**Past President**

**Norky Mastrobattisto (17)**

np = not present

**Minutes:**

Lisa Landry called the meeting to order at 10:08. She first requested a moment of silence for our veterans on the Memorial Day. Then we all said the Pledge of Allegiance. Bob Flynn then thanked our veterans for their service as he recalled their heroism at Normandy Beach.

Sue Thompson then gave her Treasurer's report: our checkbook balance as of 5 – 26 was \$10,114.68. A motion to accept the report was made.

Lisa then gave the Secretary's report from Horseneck Beach. There was a motion to accept that. Lisa then recognized 3 members new to Cape Codders: Derek & Kristin Cannistraro, F420717, Michael Mastrobattisto and Marisa Ciccarello, F114001G, (Mike & Norky's grandson), and Jamie and Lina Osborn, F196395D, (John and Lisa Landry's daughter). We all welcomed our new members!

Lisa then said that FMCA is voting on whether or not to allow towables into FMCA. Joe Samara said that we have no choice because FMCA is not going to survive without allowing them. Ann Cordin said that many people started out with a towable and asked for a show of hands regarding how many of the people present has started out camping that way – there were many. Then Lisa asked for a show of hands from members on allowing towables and it passed with no dissenters, so now Sue Thompson knows how to vote for our chapter at the National meeting.

Lisa then said that we need a Nominating Committee and asked for volunteers – Bob Casey, Ed Bates and Dianne White volunteered to do that. Since we have lost a director, Karen Long, Lisa asked for a volunteer to fill that position and Bob Casey volunteered and was appointed.

Next, there was a discussion on another rally – Bob Flynn asked about Pinewood Lodge.

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Next, Dianne White, who had co-hosted this rally with Fred and Rachel Heim, spoke on the expenses at Second Beach. She said that the tent and the dumpster are very expensive and there was not a lot of money left over for food after those expenses. Bob Flynn spoke and said we absolutely need the tent at this rally, and everyone agreed. John Landry then spoke about what had been discussed in the Board of Directors' meeting regarding the rally at Second Beach for next year: suggestions had included opening up the rally to other chapters and posting it in the FMCA magazine to attract more attendees. The tent itself cost \$50 per coach for the weekend with the number of coaches we had this year, so if we want to be able to continue to hold this great rally we need more people to attend.

Lisa then said "Happy 40th Anniversary to Cape Codders on July 28<sup>th</sup>!" and asked if anyone knew of a place to hold a rally to celebrate this event. Joe Samara mentioned a few possible Elks Clubs.

Bob Flynn then asked about raising the dues for Cape Codders to bring in more revenue, but everyone said that we needed to stay in line with the other clubs on dues.

The meeting was then adjourned and seconded.

# **HORSENECK BEACH** **STATE RESERVATION** **RALLY**



SEPTEMBER 14 - 18, 2017

(40 COACH MAX) limited to Cape Codders  
(Staying over Sunday night until Monday is included)

Thursday nite arrival (9-14) is OK – extra charge \$15 payable when you arrive. Leave Monday, the 18<sup>th</sup>.

This rally is Dry Camping. Please arrive with water full and holding tanks empty! Up-pipes must be used in consideration of your neighbors.

Directions: I-195 to Exit 10 (Route 88 – only goes south) go about 10 to 12 miles on Route 88 to the entrance to Horseneck Beach State Park. Please watch your speed on this road - it is heavily patrolled.

This rally is in an extremely interesting area with many shopping and sightseeing opportunities. Upon arrival, you will be given a list of rally attendees and points of interest in the area.

## SCHEDULE

Friday, 5 P.M.: Lee's hamburgs and Mucke's hot dogs with all the fixin's. Last names A thru F please bring a side dish, G thru L please bring a dessert.

Saturday, 8 A.M.: Muffins, pastries and coffee.

5 P.M.: Steak and baked potato dinner & dessert. Last names M thru Z please bring a side dish.

Sunday, 8 A.M.: Muffins and pastries.

10 A.M.: General Meeting (also our Election Meeting.)

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## Reservations Must Be Received By August 27<sup>th</sup>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel.# \_\_\_\_\_ F# \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Coach with 2 People \$80 \_\_\_\_\_ Coach Length: \_\_\_\_\_

Single adult in coach \$70 \_\_\_\_\_

Guests @ \$10 each # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks for rally payable to: CAPE CODDERS / FMCA (questions: 860-675-3716 or cell # 860-508-4361 or email [mrsmastro197@gmail.com](mailto:mrsmastro197@gmail.com))

Mail to: Eleanor Mastrobattisto, 197 East Chippens Hill Rd., Burlington, CT 06013