



With the Tide



DCR Improvements at Lynn Shore and Nahant Beach Reservations

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) continues to make improvements at Lynn Shore and Nahant Beach Reservations. The local DCR staff led by Supervisor Michael Tomaiolo do an excellent job with a reduced staff in maintaining the Reservations.

Twelve new benches will be installed along Lynn Shore Reservation and all the lamp posts along Lynn Beach walkway will be painted this year.

Three large sections of beach railings along Lynn Beach were replaced by DCR earlier this year because of the poor conditions of the railings. Replacements of the handrails on the four ramps going down to the beach are scheduled to be done this year.

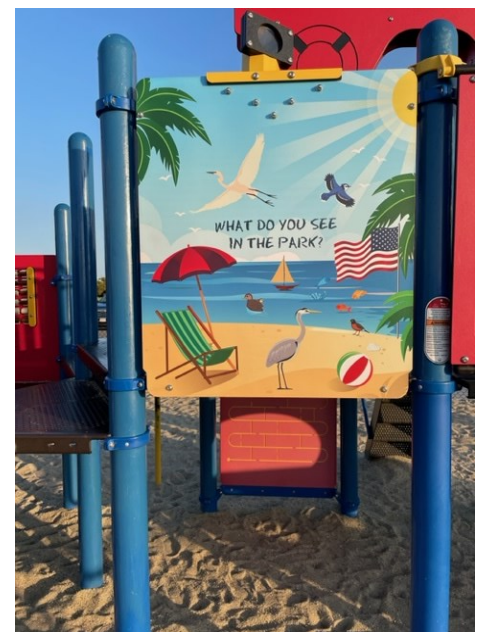
The floor in the Ward Bathhouse has been completely refurbished and sections of the exterior of the Bathhouse will be re-pointed along with brick repair and replacement. Improvements to the tot lot playground adjacent to the Ward Bathhouse have been completed.

Large flower pots will be installed along Lynn Shore Reservation. DCR and the Friends paid for the cost of the plants that will add color and beauty to the Reservations.

The landscaping contract for Lynn Shore and Nahant Beach Reservations has been renewed, the algae removal program is ongoing, and daily trash collection at both reservations continues.

The Friends appreciate the work of the local DCR staff and the continued improvements by DCR to Lynn Shore and Nahant Beach Reservations.

Tot Lot Photos





2023 RED ROCK PARK

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

July 3*: Dirty Floorboards

July 13: All That 90's

July 20: Richie "Rich" & 24 Karat Funk

July 27: 5th Gear

Aug 3: Shuffle Mode

Aug 10: White Lightnin'

Aug 17: 12:01 Blues Band

Aug 25: **Movie Night: Puss In Boots:
*The Last Wish***



All concerts are from 6:00 pm to 8:00pm

* July 3rd concert is 7:00pm to 9:00pm *

** Aug 25th movie starts at 8:00pm **

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Kings Beach Committee meets with Top Government Officials

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On May 30, the Kings Beach Steering Committee met with Secretary Rebecca Tepper of the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) to present the UV disinfection solution to the Office and connect the project to funding sources. During the meeting, the Committee urged the Healey-Driscoll administration to prioritize this project as an environmental justice issue.

Senator Brendan Crighton began the meeting by sharing the history of King's Beach and providing a brief overview of Lynn and Swampscott's ongoing IDDE efforts. Mayor Jarod Nicholson followed to highlight the collaborative effort across jurisdictions represented by the King's Beach Steering Committee. Nicholson explained how UV Light Disinfection was selected for immediate implementation due to being the most cost-effective and time-efficient method of reducing the public health risks associated with constant bacterial discharges at King's Beach.

Secretary Tepper and Undersecretary for Environment Stephanie Cooper suggested the City of Lynn and Swampscott seek State Revolving Funds (SRFs) to assist in funding this project. However, both Lynn and Swampscott agreed SRFs would not be the best solution in funding, as they are loans and will be a financial burden to both communities. In addition, Secretary Tepper and Undersecretary Cooper requested documents related to the technical analysis of the UV treatment alternative, which were shared after the meeting.

Undersecretary Cooper offered a time to meet with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regarding the UV treatment alternative, which the committee agreed to. DEP has been an active participant in the Steering Committee's efforts early on and has assisted Kleinfelder in guiding and advising on the process of determining alternatives, the UV alternative's design, and was supportive of the committee's recommendations.

During the time of the meeting, Secretary Tepper did not commit to financial assistance or specific funding opportunities, until documents are shared. The Secretary was impressed by the collaboration across multiple stakeholders and agreed that this appeared to be a unique problem that would require a custom funding solution. The Secretary acknowledged that the Committee's estimate of \$25 Million for the facility was not large in relation other to state-level projects.

The Committee agreed to work further with Undersecretary Cooper and DEP to advance the UV disinfection solution and explore sources of funding. The Committee will also work with the federal delegation to access federal funding for the project.

Senator Crighton Speaks at Friends April Meeting

Senator Brendan Crighton was the guest speaker at the Friends online members meeting on April 12th. Other special attendees included Rep. Jenny Armini, Lynn City Councilors Richard Colucci and Coco Alisung, and Save the Harbor/Save the Bay Executive Director Chris Mancini.

Senator Crighton touched on a number of issues related to the beach. These included funding for algae removal, maintenance of Red Rock Park, repairs at the Ward Bathhouse, and of course the water pollution at Kings Beach. He described the efforts to secure funding for the installation of an ultraviolet disinfection system that would treat the water being released by the two pipes onto Kings Beach.

There were a number of questions from attendees about the pollution of the beach and the proposed fix. These questions touched upon timeline, funding, advocacy, health, and equity. There were also questions about the current ways of communicating water quality results (physical flags, emails, websites).

Friends Participate in Shamrock Splash

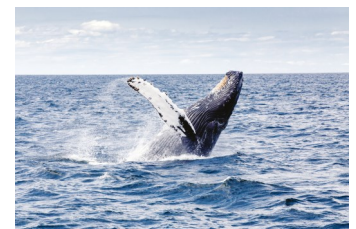


Shamrock Splash is a major fundraiser for our partner Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, and as in recent years, Friends VP Michael Celona and his daughter Lucia have participated in the event. This year, they both raised over \$800 and “splashed” at Nahant Beach. This year, they time their splash with high tide so they didn't have to walk out too far to reach the water. Still, it took awhile to reach a depth that seemed appropriate to consider oneself “splashed”. Thanks to everyone who donated!



Friends Support Lynn Classical High School Whale Watch

The Friends provided \$500 to the Lynn Classical High School Science Department to support their annual whale watch trip out of Gloucester. We have done this in the past. This is something that your dues help to support!



Friends Sponsor Great White Shark Buoy off Marblehead

The Friends are sponsoring a great white shark detection buoy off of Marblehead operated by the American White Shark Conservancy. This is their only buoy on the North Shore, and it will help researchers and the public learn about potential northward migration of great white sharks into our area. This is also another way for us to engage with Lynn public school students about the wonders of the ocean and the need to protect it. Visit the Conservancy's website to learn more about their work www.atlanticwhiteshark.org.



Brickett School Nature Walk Sponsored by the Friends by TJ Cullinane

On May 1st, Friends Outreach Coordinator TJ Cullinane led a nature walk with 150 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders from Brickett Elementary School. TJ was joined by his father Tom and his friend Jeff Nollet. The students rotated through four stations: birdwatching, seashells, strange marine life, and notable landmarks.

Mother Nature didn't disappoint with waves crashing over the seawall and a tremendous variety of seabirds holding inshore for the students to observe. The wind was howling, the waves were crashing and the gulls were crying. A sunburst through the clouds made the water glisten. We're so happy that Brickett made the decision to visit the outdoor classroom just ten minutes away from the school's front door.

The winds kept the sea birds on shore and we had some great sightings:

- Herring Gull
- Ring-billed Gull
- Great Black-backed Gull
- Double-crested Cormorant (including a nice fly-past in "vee" formation)
- American Black Duck
- Common Eider
- Long-tailed Duck (Note: these are rather elusive birds and today was the first time Jeff and I had seen so many together at one time)
- All three species of sea ducks known as Scoters were present: the Black, White-winged and Surf. This is also unusual.
- The Osprey that nests in Lynn Harbor made a few flyovers just before the students arrived.

Present in Red Rock Park were: European Starlings, House Sparrows, Mourning Doves, Common Grackles and Robins. There were also swallows present- either Bank Swallows or immature Tree Swallows.



All photos are courtesy of Michelle Sheehy-Black of the Brickett School PTO.



We received a nice note from the Brickett School Principal Shirley Albert-Benedict:
"I want to thank you all for your time and efforts in making the day a great success! It's awesome that students got the opportunity to learn firsthand about their immediate surrounding and all it has to offer. Learning about the resources and history will hopefully instill a sense of pride in their community which turns into showing it love and respect."

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