

THREE BAYS PRESERVATION, INC.

Three Bays Preservation, Inc. Announces
2010 EcoAdventure Tours on Barnstable's "Three Bays"

"Get on the Boat!" Adventure Tours Invite the Public to
Take a Closer Look at "The Fabric of Our Community"

Cruise Cotuit Bay, North Bay and West Bay
and Experience Up-Close the Beauty and History
of Barnstable's Fragile Waters

Three Bays Preservation, Inc. announces the departure of three days of exciting Eco-Adventure Cruises during the summer of 2010 and an unusual opportunity to navigate the beautiful, yet endangered, waters of Barnstable's "Three Bays."

"Get on the Boat!" and experience first-hand the waters that play a leading role in Barnstable's past, present and future. On three weekends in July and August, Three Bays Preservation, Inc., a non-profit, water quality advocacy group, will host three daily boat tours of the bays that are at the heart of Barnstable's ecosystem. The public is invited to climb aboard a 90-minute cruise of Cotuit Bay, North Bay and West Bay for a rare glimpse of the history and life of the waterways known as "the fabric of our community." Three cruises will depart from the Cotuit Town Landing in Cotuit, Massachusetts on July 10th, July 24th and August 21st at 10:00am, 12:30 pm and 3:00 pm. Tickets are offered at \$25.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children under 12, with discounts available to members of the sponsoring organization.



The EcoAdventure Tours will offer 90 minute cruises of Barnstable's "Three Bays" in summer 2010

US Coast Guard approved vessels will carry passengers and crew on each of the day's three cruises. Ecologists will be on board to offer commentary on the vibrant marine life, critical water quality issues and the colorful history of these vital waterways. Guides will inform participants of threats to the bays, conduct live experiments on deck to demonstrate the condition of the waters and instruct the public on ways to restore them back to health.

Three Bays Preservation, Inc., was founded in 1996 to preserve, maintain, protect and enhance the aquatic environment and related ecosystem in the area of West, North and Cotuit Bays on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. The “Three Bays” are interconnected by inlets and tidal “rivers” and open onto Nantucket Sound. They are an area of natural beauty and have historically provided habitat for fish, shellfish, coastal birds and other wildlife. Three Bays Preservation works closely with the Massachusetts Audubon Society to maintain a bird preserve on the barrier beach between the two bay entrances. Oystering and shell fishing have been conducted in these bays since the time of the earliest Native American settlers.



Dead Neck Island is administered through programs of Three Bays Preservation.

The organization conducts an elaborate water quality monitoring program annually (including fecal coliform sampling and tracking of nutrients), coordinates dredging of the waterways to enhance the proper natural “flushing” of the bays, and supervises the restoration of the beaches and bird sanctuary on nearby Dead Neck Island.

“*Get on the Boat!*” before the tickets are gone! These Eco-Adventure cruises sponsored by Three Bays Preservation are one of the important and most popular outreach programs of the organization and — with limited availability. Conducted since 2008, these exciting waterborne adventures sell out quickly.

For ticket information and reservations contact the offices of Three Bays Preservation in Osterville at 508.420.0780, send a request by email to info@3bays.org or sign-up directly on the web site at www.3bays.org.

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EcoAdventure Tours
Three Saturday cruise days: July 10th, July 24th and August 21st
Departures from The Cotuit Town Landing
(Main Street at Oyster Place Road, Cotuit, Massachusetts)
Three cruises: 10:00 am, 12:30 pm, and 3:00 pm
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(\$5.00 discount for members of Three Bays Preservation, Inc.)

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