



**Orleans
Pond
Coalition**

Invites you to join us for a weekend of FREE activities as we

“Celebrate our Waters”

September 24 & 25, 2011

Walks: A series of guided walks throughout the town including Twinings Pond, Putnam Farm, Bakers Pond, Mill Pond Valley, John Kenrick Woods, Checkerberry Farm, and bird walks along the shores of Nauset Inlet and Skaket Beach.

Talks: A series of talks by locally well-known experts and authors meant to entertain and inform audiences. Speakers include Rich Delaney, Dana Eldridge, Rick Fleury, Ted Keon, Ed Maas, Sandy Macfarlane, Ian Mack, Lisa Sette, and Theresa Sprague.

Tours/Open Houses: Visit Orleans Water Filtration Plant, Tri-Town Septage Treatment Plant, Community of Jesus wastewater treatment plant, Jonathan Young Windmill, Coast Guard 36500, a Monument Road cranberry bog, and a local boat builder in action.

Water Activities: Get out onto the waters of Pleasant Bay and Town Cove. Join in the opportunities for kayaking, sailing, and/or rowing. Participate or just watch the great “Paddle Challenge Race” on The River.

Bike Tours: Join a group of experienced bikers on a 17-mile, leisurely ride throughout town enjoying spectacular water vistas. Or join a 5-mile family ride finding views of ponds, lakes and Nauset estuaries.

Art: Stroll art galleries to enjoy featured works which celebrate our local water vistas. Participating galleries are: Addison Art Gallery, Eastwind Gallery, Gallery 31 Fine Art, Left Bank Gallery, OMA Gallery, Paletteworks, Kely Knowles-Rock Harbor Gallery/Studio, and Rowley Gallery. Visit the “Celebrate our Waters” Booth at Depot Square for the Orleans Gallery Association map and to see some of their work displayed there.

Photo Contest: Take pictures throughout the weekend of “Celebrate our Waters” events and vistas and email them to Cape Cod Photo and Art. Twelve winners will be chosen and their pictures will be featured in a 2012 calendar. For more information email mike@CapeCodPhotoAndArt.com.

Sand Sculpting Contest: Join with the families of the Orleans Elementary School in creating your own fabulous sand masterpiece at Skaket Beach.

Music, Dancing, and Bonfire: Celebrate at Nauset Beach Bandstand with an early evening band concert. Join a Family Dance Party on the beach at sunset as the Orleans Parks and Beaches Department lights off a spectacular bonfire.

Thanks to our partners and collaborators:

Orleans Department of Parks and Beaches and other participating town departments and committees
Academy of Performing Arts, Addison Art Gallery, Areys Pond Boat Yard
Cape Challenge, Cape Cod Photo and Art, Checkerberry Farm
Community of Jesus, Explore Cape Cod Kayak Adventures
Friends of Pleasant Bay, Goose Hummock, Mass Audubon
Orleans Camera and Video, Orleans Chamber of Commerce
Orleans Conservation Trust, Orleans Elementary School
Orleans Gallery Association, Orleans Historical Society, Orleans Inn
Pleasant Bay Boat & Spar Company, Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies
Tri-Town Septage Treatment Plant, Wilkinson Ecological Design
And the many other individuals who have donated their time and expertise



For more information visit the “Celebrate our Waters” Booth at Depot Square on September 24 & 25
Changes may occur due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Updates at www.OrleansPondCoalition.org

“Celebrate our Waters” **Saturday** **September 24, 2011**

(Numbers following event descriptions refer to map on back page)

- 9:00-11 am WALK: “Birds of the Shore.”** Join us as we walk the flats in search of late migrating shorebirds with Bob Prescott, Mass Audubon. Water shoes, low boots, or bare feet suggested; meet at Skaket Beach. (2)
- 9:00-11 am KAYAK TRIP: “Kayaking in Town Cove for Beginners.”** Kayaks supplied, but space is limited; sign up in advance at Goose Hummock Kayak Shop and meet there for the event. Sponsor: Goose Hummock. (3)
- 9:00-11:00 am “Fishing for Children Ages 4 to 8”** with Alan Levick. Rods supplied or bring your own; be prepared to wade into the water; Crystal Lake Beach on Monument Rd. (4)
- 9:00 am-1:00 pm COASTSWEEP:** Join an international beach clean-up effort. Meet at Nauset Beach parking lot to pick up supplies and select a beach, landing, or pond to pick up litter and debris. Deliver bags and recording sheets to Nauset Beach parking lot for weighing and tallying. Leader: Paul Niles, “Roots & Shoots.” (5)
- 10:00 am TALK: “Ghosts of the Orleans Inn and Stories of the Sea”** at Orleans Inn, by Ed Maas. (6)
- 10:00-11:30 am WALK: “A Brush with Nature.”** Twinings Pond, 135 Quanset Rd; park on roadside. Traversing more than 20 acres of OCT and Town pristine Cape Cod pine/oak woodland; scenic vistas, Atlantic white cedar swamp, numerous wildlife species. Leader, Kris Ramsay, Orleans Conservation Trust. (7)
- 10:00-Noon SAILING: “Sailing on Little Pleasant Bay”** with Tony Davis and Suzanne Leahy. Boats and skippers supplied by Areys Pond Boat Yard and Pleasant Bay Boat & Spar Co;. No experience necessary, but reservations required (email alanboats@aol.com); meet at Portanimitcut Landing. (8)
- 10:00-Noon TOURS: “Orleans Water Filtration Plant”** with Susan Brown and Todd Bunzick. Enter watershed at #350 Rt. 28, opposite Namequoit Rd. (9)
- 10 am-2 pm ROWING.** Join the crew of 38-foot Bantry Bay Gig Loyaute, a traditional rowing and sailing vessel. Pull an 18 foot oar and sail with youth ages 14-21 as part of **Cape Challenge** in Little Pleasant Bay; first come, first served; trips depart on the hour from Portanimitcut Landing. Sponsor, Cape Challenge; Leader, Ryan Mann. (8)
- 10:30 am TALK: “The Ocean: Our Largest Pond”** by Rich Delaney, Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies; Snow Library. (10)
- 10:30 am CRAFTS: “Crafts for Children pre-K to grade 4.”** Preregistration at library children’s desk; Leader, Judy Wilson, Children’s Librarian Snow Library. (10)
- 10 am-2 pm OPEN HOUSE: “Historic Coast Guard Vessel 36500”** at Rock Harbor. Dick Ryder, Coxswain. (11)
- 10 am-1 pm TOURS: “Jonathan Young Windmill”** with Nick Muto. Great place for picnic and scenic photos. (12)
- 12:30 pm TALK: “Development and Potential Impacts of the New Inlet on Nauset Beach”** by Ted Keon, Director of Coastal Resources, Chatham; Snow Library. (10)
- 1:30-4:30 pm KAYAK TRIP: “The Bay Island Tour”** with Dick Hilmer. Kayak the River to Little Pleasant Bay & Sampson’s Island; bring a kayak or reserve one by calling 508-240-1211. Meet at Meetinghouse Pond Landing, 69 Barley Neck Road; Sponsor, Explore Cape Cod Kayak Adventures. (13)
- 2:00 pm A Brief Dance Interlude: “Sea Change”** Academy of Performing Arts, Snow Library (10)
- 2:30 pm TALK: “Connecting the Dots to Our Past”** by Sandy Macfarlane. Glaciers formed this sand spit of Cape Cod, but what happened after is a combination of natural forces and human interaction. Snow Library. (10)
- 3:00 pm WALK: “Putnam Farm: A Return to Public Agriculture”** with Alan McClennen, Orleans Open Space Committee. Tour Orleans’ most recent open space purchase and learn its history and proposed future; meet in parking lot behind Barnstable Court House. (14)
- 3:00-5:00 pm TOURS: “Walk through a Whale.”** Walk through a life-size inflatable whale and learn about it inside and out. Leader, Jesse Mechling, Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies; Orleans Elementary School gym. While at OES, stop by for “Tour & Tasting” at the kids’ organic garden. (15)
- 3:00-4:30 pm WALK: “Baker’s Pond Conservation Trail.”** Walk the Orleans-Brewster Conservation Area on Bakers Pond. Distance is about 1.5 miles; some hills and uneven footing. Meet at conservation parking lot across from #85 Bakers Pond Rd. Leaders, Joann Figueras and Carolyn Kennedy. (16)
- 4:00 pm DVDs: “Hurricane Bob”** and **“No Name Storm”** at Orleans Historical Society Meeting House. (17)
- 5:00-6:30 pm TALK: “From the Water’s Edge”** by Rick Fleury, artist and environmentalist; Addison Art Gallery. (18)
- 5:00-6:00 pm BAND CONCERT:** Nauset Beach parking lot bandstand. (5)
- 6:00-7:30 pm BONFIRE & “Family Dance Party”** with Amy Lemerande at Nauset Beach; bring flashlight. (5)

“Celebrate our Waters” Sunday September 25, 2011

(Numbers following event descriptions refer to map on back page)

- 9:00 am WALK: “Checkerberry Farm Walk”** at 46 Tar Kiln Rd. Walk through an organic vegetable farm owned by Jeff and Gretel Norgeot. The farm is bordered by a freshwater stream. For those walkers wearing knee-high boots, Jeff will extend the walk to the Tar Kiln salt marsh. Leaders, Jeff and Gretel Norgeot. (19)
- 9:00 am WALK: “Birds of the Shore”** with Bob Prescott, Mass Audubon. Join us as we walk along Nauset Beach and search beach and flats for late migrating shorebirds, early sea ducks, and migrating peregrine falcons; meet at Priscilla Landing. (20)
- 9:00-11:00 am TOURS: “A Cranberry Bog Amongst Our Protected Waters”** by Jim Bast, 128 Monument Road. (21)
- 9:00 am-Noon BIKE TOUR: “Tour d’Orleans Waters.”** Join experienced riders for a 17 mile, leisurely paced ride (some hills) and explore water vistas, or join for a portion of the ride (check the route and schedule); helmets required; starts at Depot Square across from the Hot Chocolate Sparrow. Leader, John Fallender. (1)
- 10:00 am WALK: “John Kenrick Woods to Peck Property.”** Walk over land held by one family for three centuries. Visit and learn about the recently discovered American Chestnut Tree in John Kenrick Woods. Ferry across the Namequoit River to the Peck Conservation property; meet at South Orleans Post Office. Leaders: Alan McClellan, Orleans Open Space Committee and Rufin Van Bossuyt, American Chestnut Society. (22)
- 10:00 am KAYAK TRIP: “Town Cove into Nauset Marsh.”** Kayaks supplied, but space is limited; sign up in advance at Goose Hummock Kayak Shop and meet there for the event. Sponsor, Goose Hummock. (3)
- 10:00 am–Noon TOURS: “Tri-Town Septage Treatment Plant”** with Steve Brito; Overland Road. (23)
- 10:00-Noon BIKE TOUR: “Tour d’Orleans Waters Family Ride.”** Join a family ride of 5 leisurely miles (some hills); visit beautiful ponds and lakes, and get several views of Nauset estuaries. Helmet required; no training wheels. Start at Orleans Historical Society parking lot; leader, Judi Weil. (17)
- 10:00-Noon TOURS: “The Craft and Artistry of Small Boat Building.”** Tour a boat yard in action with owner Suzanne Leahy; Pleasant Bay Boat & Spar Company, 80 Rayber Road. (24)
- 11:00 am TALK: “Sharing our Shores: Seasons of the Gray Seal”** by Lisa Sette, Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies; Orleans Historical Society Meeting House. (17)
- Noon-3 pm SAND SCULPTING CONTEST:** For the young and young at heart; form a team or do it alone, but bring your shovels and pails to Skaket Beach. Come to either create a sand masterpiece or watch the fun. Sponsor: Parents of Orleans Elementary School. (2)
- Noon-3 pm TOURS: “Jonathan Young Windmill”** with Nick Muto. Great place for picnic and scenic photos. (12)
- 1:00 pm TALK: “Water-wise Landscaping”** by Theresa Sprague, Wilkinson Ecological Design; Orleans Historical Society Meeting House. (17)
- 1:30 pm SMALL BOAT RACING: “Paddlesport Challenge Race.”** Row or paddle your own kayak, canoe, dory, dingy, stand-up board, or scull. Race starts at the channel markers on Meetinghouse Pond, north of Lucy’s Crotch; Sponsor: Dick Hilmer, Explore Cape Cod Kayak Adventures. Sign up at 12:30 pm at Orleans Historical Society parking lot. (17)
- 2:00 PM WALK: “Mill Pond Valley Walk.”** The Tovrov gift contains a certified vernal pool, a freshwater wetland, a coastal plain pond, and two salt water ponds; meet at 13 Champlain Road; park along split rail fence or at Mill Pond town landing. Leader: Kris Ramsey, Orleans Conservation Trust. (25)
- 2:00 pm TALK: “Preserving the Orleans Inn and Conserving Cape Cod”** by Ed Maas at Orleans Inn. (6)
- 2:00-4:00 pm TOURS: “Wastewater Treatment at the Community of Jesus”** with Jill Minster. Learn how a privately financed and operated decentralized wastewater treatment plant works; park in the Community’s parking lot on the left as you enter Rock Harbor. (27)
- 3:00 TALK: “Water: How It Shapes Our Lives”** by Dana Eldridge, local author; Orleans Historical Society Meeting House. (17)
- 5:45-Sunset TALK: “Portraits at Sunset”** by Ian Mack, Orleans Camera and Video. Learn how to take the perfect portrait photograph against a gorgeous sunset over the water; meet at Skaket Beach. (2)

Orleans Pond Coalition/Town of Orleans "Celebrate our Waters" Event Venues by Number

