

  
**SOUTH CAPE**  
Homeowners Association  
**2020 Spring Newsletter**

## Coronavirus

As of the writing of this newsletter we are in the throws of the Coronavirus pandemic. The SCHA Board of Directors hopes that you are all healthy and safe. All the dates for up-coming events may be affected by the restrictions imposed as we go forward. This also applies to any fiscal decisions made by the Board.

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<b>Calendar</b>	Clean-Up Day	Saturday April 25th	9:30 AM <b>Cancelled</b>
	Annual Meeting	Saturday July 11th	9:30 AM
	Annual Picnic	Saturday July 11th	4:00 PM

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## 2020 Annual Dues

Due to the effects of the Coronavirus and its potential financial impacts on our residents, the Board has decided to hold the current dues at \$200. Please keep in mind that the dues have not increased since at least 2008. **Dues invoices will be emailed and are due by June 1st.** Thank you for paying promptly.



## Landscaping

## WE NEED HELP

“In an abundance of caution”, our annual Clean-UP Day has been cancelled. If you can do an individual task we would greatly appreciate it. Just let Darien ([4homer@comcast.net](mailto:4homer@comcast.net)) know and we will help you in any way we can. Again, stay healthy and safe.

## Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

### WANT TO BE PART OF THE DECISION MAKING?

Our Annual meeting will be held at the Mashpee Library Community Room, **Saturday July 11th at 9:30 AM**. At that time the election of SCHA Board Members will be held. There are 4 openings this year. **Please consider running for one of these openings**. As per our By-Laws, we especially need year round residents.

## Annual Picnic

The picnic will be held at the Metacomet Beach area on **July 11th at 4:00**. The details of this year’s picnic have not been decided as we are attempting to be fiscally responsible. You will receive an email with the final plans.



## Road Committee

### **Volunteer!!- SCHA is forming a Roads Committee**

As discussed at the Annual Meeting, our roads are over 50 years old and deteriorating rapidly. To see for yourself, take a ride after a rainstorm and you can see many puddles left on the roadway. To become educated on the possible Town of Mashpee road takeover, the Board is creating a sub-committee to report to the community. In order for our membership to be represented, we are looking for people to sit on this committee. The earliest we could have a petition to present to the town would be at the 2021 May Town Meeting. You don't even have to be physically present, just join our conference call. Send an email to [info@SCHAMashpee.com](mailto:info@SCHAMashpee.com) expressing your interest and we will contact you.

## SCHA Beach Parking Stickers

This year, to save cost, we are **not** including parking stickers with the spring mailing as we are switching to an electronic version of the invoice and newsletter. So if you would like to receive your stickers you may pick them up on Saturday June 20th at the Metacomet Beach area from 10:00 to 12:00, and on Sunday June 28th at the Whippoorwill Beach from 10:00 to 12:00.

## Dinghy Permits

Under the SCHA By-laws, the Board of Directors is required to manage the affairs of the SCHA in order to provide for the management, maintenance and care of the common property interests of the Association. In order to do this, the Board meets regularly to review and revise policies as necessary. In September of 2017, a Dock Committee was formed to review improvements to our communal docks and how best to manage their use.

Last year, after considerable review, a Dock and Dinghy Policy was implemented to formalize our efforts to accommodate the growing number of homeowners who want to use the docks to access their moored boats. The complete Policy and rules are located on our website [SCHAMashpee.com](http://SCHAMashpee.com). Look in the headings under “more”.

In order to manage the dock space fairly, the policy makes clear that the docks are NOT a space for larger boats to be left overnight, and they are available for tying up a dinghy long-term only for those who have a mooring and a permit. Otherwise, they are intended to be available for use by water vessels for pick-up and drop off on a touch-and-go basis. The policy and rules were established with the greatest good of the community in mind.

The policy and rules have been reviewed by legal counsel, who have confirmed the following: the duty of the Board is to manage the common areas, including the docks, for the benefit of the entire community, and in doing so the Board can take reasonable steps to manage these areas by restricting their use and access to them. To fulfill this responsibility, the Board has adopted a reasonable approach to control the process for maximizing the number of dinghies permitted to be kept long-term at the docks while maintaining safe conditions for broader use of the docks by the members of the Association. The current policy and rules reflect our best effort to achieve these goals in a manner that is consistent with the Association’s common area deeds and the By-laws.

We want to thank all members of our community for your continuing cooperation with this policy.

## 2020 Dinghy Permit Information and Rules:

- Permits must be applied for each year.
- Applications may be found on our website [SCHAMashpee.com](http://SCHAMashpee.com).
- The Dinghy permit fee is \$50 for non motor dinghies and \$100 for dinghies with any type of motor.
- Your dues must be current SCHA and you must have a mooring for the current season
- 11ft is the Max LOA excluding motor
- For dinghies greater than 11ft which were permitted last year, we will accept your application and approve permits for 2020 if space allows. No new permits will be accepted > 11ft LOA.
- Dinghies can be stored on dock April 1 thru November 30
- No Dinghy storage is allowed on either beach
- SCHA issued permits must be placed in a clearly visible area on the inside of the transom.
- If Dinghy is motorized it must display current state registration stickers and numbers according to state rules.
- Bow tie up only to red painted cleats.
- Chafe protection at gunwale for aluminum/wood/fiberglass (vinyl/rubber or equivalent)
- No locking to dock or cleats.
- No adding cleats to dock.
- Remove dinghies within 24 hours if requested (to prevent damage from impending storms)
- Owner is responsible for bailing water from the dinghy regularly.
- SCHA reserves right to remove any boat from the docks if stated rules are not followed



## Kayak Racks

In 2019 all available rack space was allocated. We are maintaining a waiting list of new requests and the board is discussing options for adding additional spaces.

### 2020 Kayak Renewal Information :

- Renewals are automatic for 2020. No renewal application or action is required to renew/keep your rack/s.
- You will be billed for this year fee with your annual membership dues fee. The annual renewal fee remains at \$10/kayak space.
- As soon as you know you will be giving up your kayak space, simply send us an email to [info@SCHMashpee.com](mailto:info@SCHMashpee.com). It will help us manage the waiting list more effectively.
- Failure to pay membership dues and your renewal fee in full by July 11th will result in your kayak space being assigned to the next member on the waiting list.
- Please fill out a Kayak Reservation Form on our website to request a NEW kayak rack space. [SCHAMashpee.com](http://SCHAMashpee.com) under the drop down "more"
- The board is investigating adding additional rack space if possible.
- All members who plan on RENEWING their kayak spaces for 2020 may begin using their rack spaces on April 1.

Please check out the website regularly for more information. We will update it as new information becomes available.

## Member Directory

If you haven't already done so, please enter your information [here](#).

- By submitting the information you provided in the form located on our website, you are giving SCHA permission to include you in our Member Directory.
- Once member information has been validated, we will include you in the directory.
- The Member Directory will ONLY be available to members.

## Welcome to the Neighborhood

Sean Moroney and Christine Willander  
the lot at #39 Nehoiden Road

Kevin Donahue  
at 60 Neshobe Road



## SCHA Website and Email

[SCHAMashpee.com](http://SCHAMashpee.com) You can preview the local weather, Great River tide schedules, SCHA history, current events, posted photos, recent newsletters, emergency contacts, and more on our website.

To communicate with members of the Board of Directors send an email to [info@SCHAmashpee.com](mailto:info@SCHAmashpee.com) Suggestions, comments, photos, reviews, or other input are always welcome. If you have any ideas how the SCHA can be improved, please let us know.

Please refrain from blowing leaves or dumping brush on vacant lots unless you have permission from the owner. Also please pick up after your dog.



Please slow down. The speed limit in the community is **20 MPH**.

## **SCHA Board of Directors**

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### **Important Information:**

Mashpee Fire Dept	508-539-1454
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