



# A.M.S.A. NEWSLETTER

March 2025

ASSATEAGUE MOBILE SPORTFISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK—DANNY MORRIS

Dear Members,

March of 2025 has arrived; and we can anticipate the arrival of warmer beach days soon to come. Personally, I'm looking forward to spring fishing!

Earlier this year, we shared the news of proposed changes to OSV regulations by the Park Service. The board members are encouraged by the positive communication in regard to those possible restrictions. After clarifying any confusion, we now look forward to moving along to grant beach access to those vehicles that were in question. To show our gratitude to the Park Service, we ask all members on social media, to take time to leave a positive comment on our recent A.M.S.A. post. See our official statement for full details.

Looking ahead to April, we will host another Pork BBQ fundraiser at Sinepuxent Brewing on Saturday, April 26th. If you are interested in volunteering your time, we could use the extra help! Reach out to myself or any board member for more details. You can also help by spreading the word about the event. Bring the entire family (and even your dog) out that day for good food and live bluegrass music.

As always, I encourage members to join our monthly meetings to become more involved with the club. It has been a pleasure to see so many new faces in the board room this past year. The board meets every third Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the A.M.S.A. building on Eagles Nest Road.

See you on the beach!

Danny Morris #127  
AMSA President

### 2025 A.M.S.A EVENT CALENDAR

<u>EVENT / FUNDRAISER</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Board of Director's Meeting <b>**ALL WELCOME**</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 7:30 pm
2025 AMSA Scholarship Filing Deadline	April 9, 2025
Pork BBQ Fundraiser	April 26, 2025
Beach Clean-Up	April 26, 2025
AMSA Free Fishing Tournament Drawing	May 21, 2025, before start of meeting
Pork BBQ Fundraiser	September 2025
21 <sup>st</sup> Annual AMSA Ronald Bounds Memorial Surf Fishing Tournament	October 17-19, 2025
Nominations of AMSA Officers and Board of Directors	October 15, 2025
AMSA Membership Renewals	December 31, 2025

## Proposed changes to OSV Regulations:

AMSA Members,

As you may have heard, the National Park Service has proposed some rule changes that will impact the Over Sand Vehicle (OSV) area. These rule changes include:

- Elimination of the language restricting vehicles over a certain GVWR (previously 10,000 pounds)
- Elimination of language restricting vehicles of a minimum ground clearance (previously 7 inches)
- Elimination of language restricting vehicles of a maximum length and width.
- Elimination of language restricting the number of wheels per axle to 2, thus officially allowing Dual-wheel vehicles legal to use on the beach.

The AMSA board of directors met in February and unanimously supported all rule changes. We officially commented in favor of the proposed changes and urge the park service to implement them promptly to avoid confusion and frustration for OSV users this season.

We encourage all members and OSV users to provide their comments in support of these rule changes. Increased support through comments will enhance the likelihood of swift approval.

The comment period ends on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 11:59pm, so please submit your comment before the cutoff.

Here are the steps to make your comment:

1. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov/>
2. At the page select to view "Dockets"
3. In the search box type in: 1024-AE90
4. The search results will "Assateague Island National Seashore; Oversand Vehicles" click on it.
5. You will see a box to click on "Open for Comments" click on it
6. On the next screen select "Comment" this will take you to a form, where you will type in your comment. You'll need to provide a valid e-mail address and identify yourself as a individual, Organization or Anonymous, then you just check the check box for "I'm not a robot", then click Submit Comment.
7. It will return a message that your comment has been submitted successfully. However, it may take until the next day until it is posted, as they must review all comments first before they are posted.

Your assistance can influence this decision, which will help many OSV users maintain their access to the OSV without future concerns as vehicles continue to evolve.

Thank you for your support,  
AMSA Board of Directors

## 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Directors</u>	
President – Danny Morris	Rick Boyd	Tommy Morris
Vice President – Michael Sapp	Claude Holland	Jay Ragains
Treasurer – Patrick Townsend	Jodi Holland	Kim Ragains
Recording Secretary – Nicholas Sapp	Wayne Holland	Mike Todd
Membership Secretary – Lisa Morris	Carol Morris	Matt Wilkins
Corresponding Secretary – Terry Townsend	Evan Morris	

## MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY INFORMATION:

**PLEASE** mail all Membership Information to Membership Secretary, P.O. Box 106, Berlin, MD 21811. Questions can be directed to Lisa Morris at 410-430-9480 or [lr Morris16@gmail.com](mailto:lr Morris16@gmail.com).

## EVENTS – SAVE THE DATE....



**BEACH  
CLEAN-UP**

**Saturday  
April 26, 2025  
10:00 a.m.**

**Meet at the air  
pumps!**

**A.M.S.A.**

**FUNDRAISER**

*keepersofthebeach.com*

**SATURDAY  
April 26th**

CARRY-OUT or DINE ON PREMISE

**SINEPUXENT BREWING**

ROUTE 611 | 8816 STEPHEN DECATUR HIGHWAY  
BERLIN, MD 21811

**NOON 'til sold out!**

**PORK BBQ PLATTERS**

**\$10** Includes Pulled Pork BBQ, Roll, Baked Beans & Bagged Chips

Accepting CASH or VENMO as Payment. THANK YOU.

**21<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL AMSA RONALD BOUNDS  
MEMORIAL SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT**

**OCTOBER 17 – 19, 2025**

**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE \$2,000**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE \$1,000**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE \$500**

# ABBA Tag Order Form

## Assateague Beach Buggy Association Tag



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

AMSA #: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please use 1 form per AMSA #)

**MEMBERSHIP MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING**

# of Tags: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$30 per Tag)

Amount Enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

(Make checks payable to: AMSA)

Deadline to Order **ABBA Tag** (for 2025) – **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

Mail Order Form and Payment to:

Lisa Morris

PO Box 106

Berlin, MD 21811

We will arrange a Pick-Up Date when Tags are ready  
If not able to be picked up the tag will be mailed after that date.

Questions: Call or Email Lisa Morris  
410-430-9480 / [lr Morris16@gmail.com](mailto:lr Morris16@gmail.com)

# 2025 AMSA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

PLEASE USE A **SEPARATE FORM** FOR EACH MEMBERSHIP NUMBER. Forms may be mailed together with one check. **PAY DUES BY JAN. 31 2025 TO AVOID LATE FEE.** Thank you

AMSA Tag No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

❖ ADDRESS CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**ALL FUTURE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTERS WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL AND PLACED ON THE AMSA WEBSITE. [www.keepersofthebeach.com](http://www.keepersofthebeach.com)  
PLEASE PROVIDE A CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS.**

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

To replace your tag or get an extra tag, please submit **\$30.00 per extra/replacement tag** requested. Extra tags can only be ordered between December 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>.

❖ # of Additional/Replacement Tags: \_\_\_\_\_

❖ Number of Stickers needed for tags you already have: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Renewal Dues	\$30.00	\$ _____
Senior Membership <i>(age 62 &amp; older)</i>	\$15.00	\$ _____
Replacement/Additional Tag Fee	\$30.00 each	\$ _____
Late Fee – <u>After Jan. 31</u>	\$15.00	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED:</b>		\$ _____

MAIL TO:  
 AMSA Membership Secretary  
 PO Box 106  
 Berlin, MD 21811  
 410-430-9480

*Include check for correct amount made to AMSA, place membership number on check and enclose with this form.*

**NOTE – As of 2019** – we will no longer have an annual AMSA Handbook. Event information and quarterly newsletters will be posted on the AMSA website and emailed. Please be sure to provide a current email address so you do not miss any information.

For Membership Secretary: AMSA # _____ Date Joined: _____
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# NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Assateague Mobile Sportfishermen’s Association

[www.keepersofthebeach.com](http://www.keepersofthebeach.com)

Instructions: Please complete the following information and mail in the completed application with your check for \$40, made payable to AMSA. New memberships are approved at the monthly board meetings, held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. After you are approved for membership you will be mailed your tag and registration card.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

All quarterly newsletters will be **emailed** to all current members and posted on the website. They will no longer be mailed. Please provide a current email address.

## AFFIDAVIT

I will uphold the Code of Ethics of AMSA at all times.

New Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail payment and application to:  
Membership Secretary  
PO Box 106  
Berlin, MD 21811

### TAG OPTION for 2025:

I would like the **Current AMSA Tag** with my membership.



I would like the **New ABBA Tag** with my membership.





# 2025 JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION & RENEWAL

PLEASE USE A NEW FORM FOR EACH MEMBERSHIP NUMBER.

Forms may be mailed together with one check.

NEW Membership: \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWAL of Jr. Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

DUES - \$12.50 per child, Renewal each year.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AMSA #: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT PHONE#: \_\_\_\_\_

### AFFIDAVIT

I will uphold the Code of Ethics of AMSA at all times and abide by the Junior Members standard operating procedures.

Junior Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Mail to: Membership Secretary, P.O. Box 106, Berlin, MD 21811

