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**Message from the President**

Hi everyone,

2022 has certainly blessed the 4x4 area with some extreme weather. There have already been several storms producing deep snow, unusually high tides and cold temperatures. As a result, I've seen some pretty spectacular image posts of the natural beauty (see back cover), as well as, the tremendous bounty brought forth from some of the storms in the way of starfish, conch shells (right) and even a helmet from WWII. Occasionally, there are otters in the canals and seals resting on the beach from a turbulent ocean. There is nothing like the beauty of the OBX. I feel blessed every day to have a home here and know I am in good company. Let's do everything we can to preserve this precious gift. When you are out and see trash, or an abandoned car part, please pick it up and dispose of it properly. When you see someone hot-rodding down the strip, call the Sherriff's non-emergency phone number. If you witness a group or individual acting inappropriately toward the horses, take pictures and report it to the Sherriff or CWHF (Corolla Wild Horse Fund). The 4x4 provides relaxation, splendor, gifts, and for some, income, to us, we all should do our part to preserve the beautiful gift in which we have been blessed.



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Till soon,  
Eva

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FACEBOOK PAGE <https://www.facebook.com/groups/5616285088414127>

## FBCA Updates

The annual FBCA Board and General Membership meetings will take place Memorial weekend 2022. Stay tuned to our website, Facebook page and spring newsletter for an announcement regarding specific date, time and location.

Anyone owning property in the 4x4 area is welcome to become a member of the Fruitville Beach Civic Association. NEW THIS YEAR, you can download a fillable membership form from our website at <https://www.fruitvillebeach.com> . When completed, the form should then be submitted via email to [FBCAMembership@gmail.com](mailto:FBCAMembership@gmail.com). At the same time, please pay \$30 per property owner membership dues for the 2022 calendar year. Dues may also be paid from our website using PayPal or mail the membership form and payment to PO Box 482, Corolla, NC 27927.

Annual election of officers and Board Members-At-Large will be in the next FBCA newsletter. Positions to be elected for the 2022-2024 term are President, Secretary, and two (2) Board Member-At-Large positions. *Please consider a role in the upcoming term.* Members who have paid dues during the current calendar year and have been active for a minimum of two (2) years prior to and including the election year are eligible to serve in any of its elective or appointive positions. Nominations or interest in a position should be submitted on or before **March 30th** via email to [FBCAMembership@gmail.com](mailto:FBCAMembership@gmail.com) or by calling 434-242-9630.

During the May 2021 meeting, it was voted to amend the FBCA Bylaws to allow electronic ballots. This and forthcoming newsletters will be emailed to those for whom we have an email address. It will also be posted on the Facebook page. Per the 2021 bylaw change, ballots may now be accepted electronically. PLEASE be sure to give us your email address to help defray the cost of printing and mailing newsletters.

FBCA is working with the Corolla Post Office to add another cluster mailbox at the Carova fire station. There will be more discussion on this at the general membership meeting.

**Corolla Wild Horse Fund** is requesting donations for land purchases in order to promote the continued preservation of the 4x4 area as a permanent sanctuary for the horses. Please see the portion of their website dedicated to this cause <https://www.corollawildhorses.com/planned-giving/planned-giving-contact-form/>  
*All donations to CWHF are tax deductible.*

THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO DONATE:

1. **Online** directly through the Planned Giving Form (link above) or through the donations to their main page at <https://www.corollawildhorses.com/one-time-donations/> Note in the comment section that funds are to be used for the *Freedom Fund*
2. **Personal check via postal mail** sent to 1130E Corolla Village Road, Corolla, NC 27927. Note in the check memo that funds are to be used for the *Freedom Fund*

## Carova Beach Volunteer Fire & Rescue

CBVF&R has reminded us that reflective house signs at the street level can be helpful in finding your house in an emergency. A link for purchasing reflective signs can be found on their website. Each house sign is \$30. They will install it for an additional \$55 per location. Also, be on the lookout for this year's fundraiser. Information will be forthcoming. You can also check their website at <https://www.cbvfandr.com/> for information about both of these fundraising opportunities.

# Currituck County

The Currituck County Board of Commissioners had their annual working retreat on Thursday and Friday, 1/27-28. During the meeting, they discussed matters relating to the County's 2022 work plan. The meeting was open to the public without comment. Results will be shared with the public when they are known. Agenda may be downloaded here <http://currituckcountync.ig2.com/Citizens/FileOpen.aspx?Type=14&ID=2258&Inline=True>

A Currituck County judge dismissed a lawsuit filed by Corolla Civic Association against Currituck County regarding misuse of occupancy tax revenue. Please read more information about the case here <https://www.outerbanksvoice.com/2022/01/03/currituck-county-wins-suit-over-occupancy-tax/?fbclid=IwAR23tn5FKxtQwcRtFTRDvbRBRiqQ8Vn4q-8s5EgzqV3kBPXRLAnH5MyN6C8>

## Mid-Currituck Bridge

Southern Shores Town Council is taking short-term steps in the attempt to push the Mid-Currituck Bridge project forward. Click the image to read more about this article or see the website at <https://www.ncdot.gov/projects/mid-currituck-bridge/Pages/default.aspx>



## Corolla

Spring 2022, there will be two coastal web cameras installed in Corolla to collect data used to alert and inform residents, visitors, and scientists about flooding, beach usage, beach and surf zone conditions (rip currents and coastal inundation), and water quality for swimmer safety. Live beach footage will be viewable from desktops and mobile devices. Follow this story here <https://co.currituck.nc.us/news/new-webcams-to-collect-coastal-data-and-increase-public-safety/>

## Duck

The Town of Duck is planning a beach nourishment project to begin this August. Schedule to be posted soon. More information may be found at <https://tinyurl.com/DuckBeachNourishment>

## As a reminder, to report a horse tour infraction or submit a praise comment

1. Take pictures
2. Call the Sherriff's non-emergency number (252-232-2216)
3. Call/email the County ([Commissioners@CurrituckCountyNC.gov](mailto:Commissioners@CurrituckCountyNC.gov)) 252-232-2075 ext. 4002

**ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE:** Commend a driver or register a complaint

<https://co.currituck.nc.us/horse-tours/tour-driver-training/>

4. Call the tour company (try to have truck # or license plate) NOTE tours may be reduced during winter

**Wild Horse Adventure Tours**  
252-202-6670

**Bobs Wild Horse Tours**  
252-453-8602

**Hummer Adventure Tours**  
252-489-2020

**Corolla Wild Horse Tours**  
252-207-0511

**Corolla Outback Adventures**  
252-453-4484

**Back Beach Wild Horse Tours**  
252-453-6141

**Corolla Jeep Adventures**  
252-453-6899

**Turo.com Jeep/Truck Rentals**  
[www.turo.com](http://www.turo.com)

**Back Country Safari Tours**  
252-453-0877

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