



# What's New at CTC?

## Happy Birthday Islander!

### Barging

The crew and boatyard are busy preparing the barge and the Dovekie for the barging season. At this point, it looks like we will begin barging around 4/20. You can call the office to book barging now. We will not be increasing rates this year.

### Carts on the Float

Please do not put your carts on the float at Cousins if there is any chance of wind. We had two carts roll into the water in one week! One cart was retrieved, but personal items were lost.

### SUMMER FARE INCREASE

Summer ferry fares will go into effect on May 1st. The rates will be the same as last summer. Fares are posted on the Islander and on the website.

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The Islander will turn 30 years old on April 6th. On that date in 1985 many islanders made the trip to East Boothbay to celebrate her launch at Washburn & Doughty. Board president Dave Stevens, Cap Leonard, and others shared with the group the enormous effort that many expended to design, finance, and build the boat. The original cost of the Islander was just shy of \$300,000. Over the years, much has been spent to maintain her to ensure she provides consistently reliable service to the island. All would agree that she has been an ideal ferry for the island's needs - and pretty tough at that! Again this winter the island celebrated her tough steel design as she kept the ice from closing in at the Stone Pier.

In celebration of our ferry and as a thank you to all who have had

a hand in her long, successful career, we are having a birthday celebration on Monday April 6th. Passengers will enjoy a free boat ride (yes, it will be a free ferry day), snacks, a video of her launching, and some other fun decorations.

For commuters, we will sell you short week tickets.



## Wheelchair Policy

We strive for the safe transportation of all passengers to and from Chebeague. Crew members will make every reasonable effort to help those passengers who need to be transported on or off the ferry in a wheelchair. However, there may be times when the captain of the ferry deems it unsafe for a crew member to transport a passenger up or down the ramp due to stormy weather, steep angle of the ramp, icy conditions, etc. At those times, the captain may

deny passage to a passenger in a wheelchair due to concerns for the personal safety of either the crew member or the person in the wheelchair.

Customers should make every effort to plan travel requiring a wheelchair around the tides. This will minimize the chances that the crew will be unable to transport the passenger.

*Designated commuter parking at Cousins lot ends on April 1st*

## COMMERCIAL FREIGHT POLICIES

We would like to remind our customers of CTC policies regarding transporting commercial freight on the ferry.

- \* Freight should be delivered by the 12:15 PM ferry
- \* Freight should not be delivered by dual wheel vehicles
- \* Customers who are not on the ferry must notify CTC of the delivery in advance
- \* All unaccompanied freight must display customer's name
- \* Freight must be picked up at the ferry directly after the boat returns to Chebeague
- \* Freight fees must be paid upon delivery to Chebeague.

## FREIGHT ON THE BUS

The bus transports freight for Route One parking customers. Occasionally, a customer or business drops off small packages to be delivered to the boat. However, large items should be transported directly to the wharf.