



Update on the
INDEPENDENCE!

While construction of the Independence has been underway, CTC has been planning events to celebrate! Please be on the lookout for postings on the website, Islander and on our Facebook page. A celebration for the day of the launching and for the homecoming are in the works! We all hope to see you there.

FERRY NAMING CONTEST RESULTS

Three people submitted the name Independence—Beth Dyer, Vivian Boxer, and Abby Julien.

Beth won the drawing to choose the winner.

Congratulations to all three ladies for submitting the winning name!

April Birthdays

John Flaherty
4/30

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What's New at CTC?

Vessel Safety Report

Captain and Safety Officer Jeremy Ames gave his annual safety report to the Board on March 21st.—following are the highlights.

2018 Results

The crew continued to exceed required USCG drills and an improved tracking system was adopted to ensure all crew meets all requirements. The crew conducted three “All Hands” Drills (Wheelchair Training and OSHA Compliance; Onboard Medical Emergencies and Communications; Multi Agency M.O.B., search and rescue, and communications with Maine Marine Patrol and Chebeague Rescue).

Contrasting paint was added to door thresholds to minimize trips and falls. Several improvements were made to equipment on the ferry: stern camera, handheld VHF radios, a new hi-def radar, AIS (Automatic Identification System) to avoid collision and boat tracking, and a Damage Control kit for the Dovekie.

Two employees attended CPR training.

The passenger count system was changed to be more reliable and accessible during an emergency

Various man overboard retrieval options were researched in preparation for a designated, more organized MOB station

A more universal boat cancellation protocol was established to minimize risk to company assets, passengers and crew

Numerous configurations were attempted to accommodate wheelchairs in a safer manner including ramps and plates. A wheelchair log, safe conditions notice, and a new manual wheelchair have been put in place.

Some older wiring and hydraulic lines on the Islander were replaced to prevent a breakdown or fire

2019 Goals

- Continue to monitor crew certification in CPR/First Aid/AED, and HAZMAT as appropriate for barge operations
- Start a biometrics/ergonomics program to help prevent injuries
- Maintain our high standard of drill training
- Continue updating safety equipment
- Get a security camera mounted on Stone Pier
- Replace the hailer speaker on the stern
- Introduce a Safety Management System

Freight on the Bus and Ferry

In serving the island, CTC transports great quantities of both personal and commercial freight. We would like to remind our customers of some of our freight rules and regulations.

On the Bus. The buses are used to transport personal freight only. Commercial freight should be delivered directly to the wharf or shipped on Casco Bay Lines. Passengers who have large amounts of personal freight should deliver it to the wharf and then return to the parking lot for the ride on the bus. Federal regulations prohibit the transportation of any type of fuel or anything that has - or has had - fuel in it. Transporting vehicle or marine batteries is also prohibited.

On the Boat. CTC can transport up to ten small gas powered appliances on the stern deck of the Islander (Up to 49cc in engine size). CTC cannot transport gasoline containers of any size if they contain gasoline. Kerosene can be transported. CTC cannot transport liquefied natural gas or propane in any size. Contact the office to barge items that cannot be transported on the ferry.