



What's New at CTC?

CTC Service to the Community

CTC Donation to Island Charities

In December, the CTC board voted to have the company make annual donations to an Island charity instead of giving Christmas gifts to the board members.

For 2019, we made a donation to the Island Commons.

This year we will audit vehicle keys held for customers at each lot. If you have a key at one of our lots for a vehicle you no longer own, please call the office and let us know what you would like us to do with the key. Thank

March Birthdays

Becky Ramsey

(driver) - 3/23

Rock Helpin

(driver) - 3/29

Scott Ehlers

(Cousins) - 3/30

Ted McKeen

(driver) - 3/31

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Vessel Safety Report

Captain and Safety Officer Jeremy Ames gave his annual safety report to the board on January 20th—following are the highlights.

2019 Results

- The crew continued to exceed required USCG drills and an improved tracking system was adopted to ensure all crew members meet all requirements. Eighty three drills were completed in 2019. The crew conducted an “All Hands” drill with an occupational therapist. The topic was safely handling wheelchairs on the ramps. All Hands drills were also conducted to ensure there is consistency in conducting the drills. Finally, several All Hands drills were conducted when we brought the Independence home.
- Continued to monitor crew certification in CPR/First Aid/AED, and HAZMAT as appropriate for barge operations. Captain Beth was recently certified as a CPR instructor and can conduct future training.
- Continued updating safety equipment. We added 40 new PFDs and consolidated and better organized the man overboard station on the Islander. The Dovekie has a new throwable ring, a solar powered anchor light, and a new helical mooring system to keep her secure in the cove during big storms.

Captain Beth Putnam, incoming CTC Safety Officer, presented 2020 safety goals, including:

- Quarterly safety meetings and drills (on all three vessels).
- An employee accident prevention program.
- CPR and basic first-aid training for all crew.
- Replacement of 10 personal flotation devices (PFDs) on the Islander.
- Automation of the safety announcement on the Independence.

Beth also discussed safety improvements on the Independence, most notably the alcoves for use by the deckhands when landing the boat, motion sensing lighting on the stern, PFDs throughout the cabin, an improved man overboard station, the fire suppression system and rescue personnel’s ability to care for transported patients from both sides of the stretcher.

CTC provides special ferry trips at NO COST to the individual or the Town of Chebeague in the following circumstances:

-Rescue trips. The CTC boat crew must be available 24 hours per day to provide this service. The evening crew is on duty from 6PM until 6AM. Crew members must be on the island and reachable at all times.

-Sheriff calls. CTC performs special trips for the Sheriff’s Department. The crew must wait on the ferry while the sheriff is on the island - sometimes for several hours.

-Transportation of the deceased. When a person dies on the island, we perform a special trip to transport the deceased.

-Fire Department Emergency Runs.

In the event firefighters or equipment need to be transported to the island, CTC provides the service.