

Town of Ocean Ridge

June Email Update and Information

Revised: 5/21/08

Late May Calendar of Events

- 05.26.08 Memorial Day – Town Hall Closed

June Calendar of Events

- 06.02.08 Town Commission Public Hearing/Regular Meeting at 6pm
- 06.03.08 Code Enforcement Hearing at 10am (tentative)
Agendas linked to meetings when available.

Town Hall News

Interim Town Manager appointed

Former Town Manager Bill Mathis has returned on an interim basis during Town Manager Ken Schenck's absence. Ken Schenck will be out for at least a month.

Hurricane Season – June 1 through November 30

June 1st begins the Atlantic Hurricane season. If you have not prepared, there is still time to create a plan and supplies kit with everything you need. The Town's website provides a plethora of information on hurricane preparedness. Below you may access the Town's website by clicking on the first link. Additionally, there are other links to the Police Chief's letter, hurricane guide, and information on Hurricane Preparedness Week.

- [Town Of Ocean Ridge Hurricane Information](#)
- [Hurricane Preparedness Week May 25-31](#)
- [Hurricane Preparedness Guides \(2008\)](#)
- [Hurricane Preparedness Letter from Police Chief Hillery](#)

Flood Insurance and Flood Hazard Information

The Town of Ocean Ridge has been verified as a Class 8 community in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) under the direction of the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA). As a result of our NFIP participation, homeowners receive a 10% discount for Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) and 5% discount for non-SFHA on flood insurance. Since typical homeowner policies DO NOT cover losses due to flooding, the Town strongly recommends that everyone purchase a flood insurance policy. During extended periods of heavy rainfall, low lying neighborhoods within the Town are subject to flooding. **Since your property is in or near a SFHA**, this information will address areas to protect you and reduce loss of value to your property as a result of floods. **To read the Flood Hazard Information letter in its entirety please [click here](#).**

For more information on flood insurance, flooding, Town's FIRM MAP, NFIP/FEMA handbook and much, much more, please [click here](#).

Town Logo Contest

The Town Commission of Ocean Ridge wishes to change the Town logo to show a more updated and appropriate design. They have decided to have a contest in order to get ideas for the logo. Anyone interested in submitting their idea for the new Town logo must submit it to the Town Clerk by July 1, 2008. The Commission will then review the submittals. Prize to be awarded.

Clarke Mosquito Control – Noseem Spraying Schedule

Memo from Town Manager: Spraying for Mosquitoes and Noseems

In May, Clarke Mosquito Control began weekly spraying on Wednesdays. Backpack applications and night time ULV (ultra low volume truck application) weather permitting.

Woolbright Bridge Closure

Palm Beach County Road and Bridge Department has notified the Town of the closing of Woolbright Bridge to vehicle and pedestrian traffic starting Monday, June 2nd. The bridge will be closed for repairs and painting. The bridge will reopen Tuesday, September 9.

Worth Contracting, Inc. will be working on the bridge 7 days a week and in 12 hour shifts beginning at 7am each day and ending at 7pm.

Ocean Avenue will be the designated detour route for vehicle and pedestrian traffic.

For more information, you may contact Palm Beach County Road and Bridge Department at 561-233-3950.

Police Department News/Alerts

[Hurricane Preparedness Letter from Chief Hillery](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

Event	Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup (ongoing)
Date	First Saturday of every month
June 7	"What's All This Stuff?" Paul Davis of PBC DERM will lead a beach walk and will talk about the importance of seaweed and how pollution affects sea and bird life. Presentation begins at 8am.
Where	Oceanfront Park, 6451 N. Ocean Blvd. On A1A, just north of the Ocean Ave. bridge in Ocean Ridge. Meet at the pavillion in the lower parking lot.
Time	8-10:30am
Who	Individuals, schools, churches, clubs, businesses, organizations, and families are encouraged to participate. All ages.
What's provided	Free parking, bags, gloves, refreshments, prizes to participants. Free T-shirts while supplies last. School and community service volunteer credit forms available.
	Please bring drinking water, sunscreen, and a hat.
Contact	<u>Gary Solomon at 561-734-9128</u>

Website	Sandsifters.org
Flyer	Monthly Beach Cleanup
Video	Click here to see a video about Sand Sifters.

Event	Ocean Ridge Points of Distribution (POD's) Training
Who	Year round residents of Ocean Ridge.
What	PODs is a Palm Beach initiative with a mandate to distribute antibiotics and supplies to citizens within 48 hours in the event of a bio-terror attack. Program established under the guidance of Philip Levenstein of Palm Beach County Health Department. Registered Nurses Terry Vinas and Wendy Goltz as well as John Wootton, MD, all Ocean Ridge residents, have volunteered to coordinate this program. Twenty (20) people are needed to participate in a brief training program (date/time yet to be determined.)
Contact	Terry: vinasfam@aol.com , Wendy: w8ocean@aol.com , John: jdwttn@aol.com for more information.

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