The CURRENT



Week of

October 12, 2026

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WELCOME to ***THE CURRENT***, the weekly digital newsletter for the Town of Oak Island (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Home).

We're already halfway through October, and although the **Beach Safety** (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-Safety/Fire-Department/Beach-Safety-Division) crews pictured in this week's cover photo may be seeing fewer people on the beach, that doesn't mean there isn't still plenty of activity going on around Town!

With just a few days until October's **Spooktacular (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Town-Events/National-Night-Out-Spooktacular)** finish, quickly followed by the **Doggy Daze (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Town-Events/Doggy-Daze-of-Fall)** of Fall and **Holidaze (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Town-Events/Christmas-by-the-Sea)** of December, there's a lot to do!

There's also a lot of important Town business to cover as well, so hop in and stay dry for a cool(ish) autumn ride through this week's edition of ***The CURRENT***

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Meetings & Closures

Council & Board Meetings

ABC BOARD will hold its regular meeting on **Tuesday, October 13** at **10:00 AM** in the Oak Island ABC Store at 5402 E Oak Island Drive.

TOWN COUNCIL will hold its regular meeting on **Tuesday, October 13** at **6:00 PM** in the Council Chambers, located on the second floor of Town Hall.

As a reminder, all other meeting dates, agendas, and video can be found on the ***Meetings Information*** page. To view this page, simply visit **OakIslandNC.gov/MEETINGS (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Clerk/Meetings-Information)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE
(https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Clerk/Meetings-Information)

Holidays & Closures

There are **NO** holiday closures for the week ahead. The next closure will be on **Wednesday, November 11, 2026** in observance of **Veterans Day**.

To view all Holiday Closures, visit **OakIslandNC.gov/HOLIDAY (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Meetings)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory)

News & Notices



Council Agenda Preview

On **Tuesday, October 13, 2026** at **6:00 PM** the Oak Island Town Council will hold its regular monthly meeting in the Council Chambers, located on the second floor of Town Hall at 4601 E Oak Island Drive.

Sign-up sheets for commenting during the public hearing and / or the general comment period will be available in the back of the meeting room prior to the meeting. Speakers have three minutes.

A full ***Agenda Preview*** has been published on the ***Meetings Information*** page. To view the Agenda Preview or or other meeting information, visit **OakIslandNC.gov/MEETINGS (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Clerk/Meetings-Information)** or click the link below.

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Street Paving Project Update

Following a brief pause in early October, contracted service provider **Highland Paving (https://www.highlandpaving.com/)** has **resumed *Paving & Resurfacing*** operations as of October 12, 2026, with the week ahead to include work in multiple areas.

PLEASE NOTE: The schedule is **tentative**, and **subject to change** due to weather and / or ground moisture conditions. Streets listed **DO NOT** indicate paving of the entire street - to view the specific portions of streets identified for paving or

resurfacing, visit the project page at **OakIslandNC.gov/PAVING (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Home/Tabs/News/Street-Paving-Project-Updates)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Home/Tabs/News/Street-Paving-Project-Updates)



Recreation Center Hours Change

NOTICE: Starting this **Saturday, October 17, 2026** the **Oak Island Recreation Center** will transition the operating hours on **Saturdays** to **7:00 AM - NOON**.

This change is in response to user feedback, and will better serve community schedules. This is for Saturday hours only, and **does NOT** affect the regular weekday hours, which will remain the same at 5:30 AM - 7:00 PM on Monday - Thursday, and 5:30 AM - 6:00 PM on Fridays.

For more information about the Recreation Center or any of the programs offerred there, just view the facility listing on the ***Parks Directory*** at **OakIslandNC.gov/PARKS (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Residents-Visitors/Parks-Facilities)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Residents-Visitors/Parks-Facilities)



Court Closure Reminder

As a reminder, the **Basketball Court** located in the Middleton Park Complex will be temporarily **CLOSED** for the remainder of this week, to allow for the installation of new basketball goals.

Work is already underway on the full replacement of the **entire goal structure**, including new hoops, backboards, and posts. To allow for installation and curing of concrete, the court is not anticipated to reopen until **Friday, October 16**. Any additional updates on progress or closure times will be posted on the ***OKInformation*** page.

To view and share this notice, along with any project updates, visit **OakIslandNC.gov/NEWS (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/OKInformation)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE
(https://www.oakislandnc.gov/OKInformation)



Water Changeover Update

Brunswick County Public Utilities Department is now almost halfway through their annual Annual Flushing Program, in which the standard water disinfectant of combined chlorine (in the form of chloramines), is replaced with chlorine added in an uncombined state, commonly referred to as "free chlorine."

Free chlorine is more effective than combined chlorine at reacting with sediments suspended during flushing. This common practice is also used as preventive maintenance to kill bacteria that, though harmless when consumed by humans, can introduce unwanted taste and odor, and create issues with maintaining a disinfectant residual.

Brunswick County will continue to use free chlorine as the primary disinfectant through November. To view the **FULL** notice provided by Brunswick County, visit the County Website at **BrunswickCountyNC.gov (https://www.brunswickcountync.gov/m/newsflash/home/detail/876)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE
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Join The Team



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Job Opportunities

The Town of Oak Island is committed to providing municipal services to all residents & visitors in a professional, timely manner. That means having the ***right people*** in the ***right places*** to achieve ***success as a team!***

Currently the Town is accepting **Applications for Employment (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/files/assets/town/v/1/administration/documents/oak-island-employment-application.pdf)** for the following positions:

Firefighter / EMT (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/Firefighter-Emergency-Medical-Technician) (Part Time)

Maintenance Worker I / Stormwater (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/Maintenance-Worker-IStormwater-Division)

Senior Building Code Inspector (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/Senior-Building-Code-Inspector)

Stormwater Administrator (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/Stormwater-Administrator)

Planning Manager (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/Planning-Mannager)

Police Officer (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/Police-Officer)

To learn more about these listings or to apply for other opportunities as they become available, just visit the ***Job Openings*** page at **OakIslandNC.gov/JOBS (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Administration/Human-Resources/Job-Openings)** or click the link below.

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Safety Brief



Hydrant Testing Underway

A reminder from the **Oak Island Fire Department (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-Safety/Fire-Department)** that annual **Fire Hydrant Testing** is now underway, and will be performed **Monday - Friday** between the hours of **8:00 AM – 4:00 PM** from now through the month of **November**.

The Town of Oak Island maintains over 800 fire hydrants. Every year, at least 25 hydrants are replaced, with all 800 inspected, and full testing completed on at least 160 (20%) of those. This work is required by the North Carolina Department of Insurance (NCDOI) to identify the quantity of water available for firefighting, but also helps to rid the system of accumulations and sediment deposits, and maintain the Town's **ISO Class 2** Fire Rating.

NOTE: Homes near the testing locations should not see a noticeable drop in water pressure, however there is a chance testing could stir up sediment, causing tap water to appear discolored. If this occurs, it's recommended to flush the home's water system and refrain from laundry until your water runs clear. To help crews complete their work as safe and quickly as possible, **please do not approach or try to talk with them while they are working**.

For any questions regarding this process, or to learn more about the Hydrant Flushing program in general, just visit the Fire Department page at **OakIslandNC.gov/FD (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-**

Safety/Fire-Department) or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-Safety/Fire-Department)



Beach Safety Season Notice

As mentioned in this week's cover photo, the Oak Island **Beach Safety Division (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-Safety/Fire-Department/Beach-Safety-Division)** is starting to see fewer and fewer people on their daily patrols. With the Summer tourism season over, and cooler Fall weather settling in, the **Ocean Rescue Division** will **END daily beach patrols for the season**, starting later this week.

Limited patrols will continue on weekends or busier / warm weather days for the next few weeks, before transitioning to patrols "as-needed" during the winter months. It is also important to note that the **National Weather Service (https://www.weather.gov/beach/forecast?site=ilm&action=)** will end the daily Beach Warning Flag Forecasts at the end of the month on October 31 (forecasts will resume in April).

Stay tuned, as the full Beach Safety Season report is expected soon. In the meantime, to learn more about the **Beach Safety Division** of the Oak Island Fire Department, simply **OakIslandNC.gov/BSD (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-Safety/Fire-Department/Beach-Safety-Division)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Government/Public-Safety/Fire-Department/Beach-Safety-Division)

Parks & Rec Review



Band Rescheduled

Although unfortunate that the inclement weather this past weekend caused the cancellation of the ***Live & Local: Market + Music***, a silver lining can be found in the benefits it has for a NEW Town event coming next month.

Featured band, **The British Invaders (https://www.facebook.com/thebritishinvaders/)**, who was scheduled to play the Live & Local on October 10, has been **rescheduled** to perform at the Town's

inaugural **Doggy Daze of Fall (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Town-Events/Doggy-Daze-of-Fall)** event!

Scheduled for **Saturday, November 14, 2026** from **NOON - 4:00 PM** in the Middleton Park Complex, this ***Pet Adoption & Family Festival*** is full of exciting activities, including **Pet Adoptions**, a **Doggie Splashpad**, unique **Games & Prizes**, and of course, **Craft Vendors & Food Trucks** for both humans and canines to enjoy!

Make plans to stop by and bring your four-legged family members, or adopt a new one! To learn more and share this event, visit the Town Events page at **OakIslandNC.gov/EVENTS (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Town-Events/Doggy-Daze-of-Fall)** or click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Events-Calendar-Directory/Town-Events/Doggy-Daze-of-Fall)

Fitness, Fun, & Friends

Between the Oak Island Recreation Center (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Residents-Visitors/Parks-Facilities/Recreation-Center), the Nature Center (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Residents-Visitors/Parks-Facilities/Nature-Center), the Ocean Education Center (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Residents-Visitors/Parks-Facilities/Ocean-Education-Center), and our many parks and recreation facilities (https://www.oakislandnc.gov/Residents-Visitors/Parks-Facilities), there's always somewhere to go and something to do with Oak Island Parks & Recreation!

To view the complete ***Recreation Schedule*** for the week ahead, simply click the link below.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE (PDF, 230KB) (/files/assets/town/v/12/parks-amp-recreation/documents/parks-recreation-schedule_-october-12-october-19-2026.pdf)

Upcoming Event Flyers

Click on the graphics below to learn more about these featured upcoming events!

Live & Local



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Egg-stra Spooky Egg Hunt



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Spooktacular / National Night Out



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