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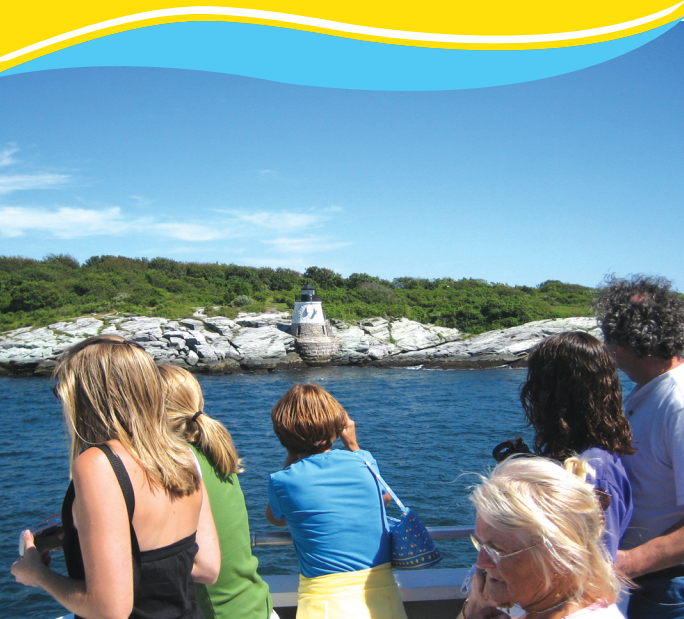
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editor's welcome

Spring is in the air

Spring in Rhode Island promises a rush of color, energy and motion. In this issue of *Shore Life*, we dive into more of the stories of people and places that make the Ocean State unique.

In "The Perfect Pair," Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream serves up the must-try meal of the season — proof that comfort food and creativity can coexist deliciously. "Home Court Advantage" will introduce you to the new head coach of the URI's Women's Basketball team, where a familiar face will look to lead the Rams toward another winning run. And "Hook, Line & Sinker" casts into South County's fishing scene, guiding readers from novice to expert through the bays, ponds, rivers and deeper waters that surround our local environs.

Whether you're chasing a divine dessert, cheering courtside, or casting a line at dawn, we invite you to celebrate the season with us.

Warmly,
Seth Bromley
Managing Editor, *Shore Life*

LET'S GET REAL

From Matunuck to Middletown: How the cast of 'The Real Housewives of Rhode Island' put the Ocean State at the center of reality television

"The Real Housewives of Rhode Island," now four episodes into its run, proves that even America's smallest state can generate enormous drama. The series premiered on April 2 on Bravo, marking the franchise's twelfth installment and its first venture into New England.

Beyond the gossip and conflict, however, this Bravo franchise stands out for uniquely elevating Rhode Island's coastline, parks, and restaurants, making them central to the show's narrative.

Meet the Wives

The cast features seven Housewives, each deeply woven into Rhode Island's tight-knit social fabric, along with one familiar face from the Jersey Shore.

Alicia Carmody lives in Providence and is pushing her way into her fiancé Billy Kitsilis' popular restaurant, Pizza Mamma, in Cranston. A self-described "flip-flopper" who might curse you one minute and hug you the next, Alicia has been engaged to Billy since 2017. They share a 9-year-old daughter, Celina.

Liz McGraw, the eldest of the group, lives in a waterfront home in Cranston with her husband, Gerry. Together, they own the Thomas C. Slater Compassion Center on Corliss Street in Providence, the state's largest cannabis dispensary. Liz is the self-described queen of the group (and, as she declares, Queen of Weed), and the women give her the reverence she deserves.

Rosie DiMare, a former WJAR Channel 10 news anchor originally from Massachusetts, lives in North Kingstown with her husband, Rich. She now hosts an online lifestyle show called "Rhode Trippin'" and serves as one half of the show's most entertaining rivalry.

Ashley Iaconetti is the only non-native Rhode Islander in the group. The former "Bachelor in Paradise" star moved to the state with her husband, Jared Haibon, a Warwick native, in 2021. The couple co-owns Audrey's Coffee House & Lounge in South Kingstown.

Rulla Nehme Pontarelli, a certified financial planner and wealth manager, originally from Providence, lives in Lincoln with her husband, a podiatrist, and two children. Proud of her Lebanese roots, Rulla is also



one of the only female boat captains in Rhode Island.

Kelsey Swanson, a former Miss Rhode Island and URI alumna, is a makeup artist and owner of Miss Makeup RI. She has been in a 10-year relationship with an unnamed older man from one of the state's most prominent families, an arrangement that has raised red flags throughout the group.

Jo-Ellen Tiberi, the self-proclaimed town gossip, lives in Cranston with her high school sweetheart and husband, Gary, and their three children, Gian, Jolie, and Gia. She works as an aesthetic practice development manager.

Rounding out the group is Dolores Catania, whom Bravo fans will recognize from "The Real Housewives of New Jersey" and "The Traitors" Season 3. Dolores appears in a "friend of" role, spending the summer in Rhode Island with close friend Liz. Her fiancé, Paulie Connell, joins her in the Ocean State for the season.

The Story So Far

The 90-minute pilot dropped on a Thursday and wasted no time establishing the vibe. The show opened at Alicia's Providence home, where her six aunts arrived from Cranston and, as expected, complained about the 15-minute drive. All was well once they settled in for meatballs and

gravy with some crusty Italian bread.

The show's narratives then began to branch out across the state. Liz traveled by dinghy from her Cranston waterfront residence to meet Kelsey at East Greenwich's Water Street Kitchen and Bar. There, Kelsey confided about her complex relationship: her unnamed boyfriend lives in Miami for half the year with another woman, a situation that, at 31, is beginning to cause Kelsey considerable distress.

At Matunuck Oyster Bar, Jo-Ellen and Gary shared extra dirty martinis and oysters, trading tales, including the one about Jo-Ellen chasing Gary in high school despite her sister's crush.

The pilot's centerpiece was Rosie's beach picnic at Goddard Memorial State Park. Ashley showed up with a bucket of Munchkins from Dunkin' because, as she put it, nothing warms a Rhode Island crowd quite like Dunkin'.

A game of 'Never Have I Ever' quickly spiraled when Kelsey's love life took center stage, and Rosie and Jo-Ellen clashed hard enough to draw battle lines that may endure for the rest of the season. The episode wrapped at Jo-Ellen's Fourth of July party at a Portsmouth rental, where Dolores made her first appearance as Liz's guest.

In the second episode, viewers met Rulla, the seventh wife, when she joined Liz and Kelsey for lunch at Fleur in the Omni

Providence Hotel. Wasting no time, she questioned the others' loyalty to Jo-Ellen and expressed her anger over photos of her husband, Brian, circulating on social media with another woman. Jo-Ellen was the first to see the images and shared them with Liz, who then told Rulla. As a result, Rulla blamed Jo-Ellen for generating divorce rumors.

The group (minus Rulla) then boarded a party bus to Newport Vineyards in Middletown, where Kelsey proposed a game designed to get rumors out into the open, and it worked. Liz was confronted directly by Alicia about the persistent rumors concerning her and Dino, a longtime friend. The question landed like a grenade, and the fallout would carry into the next week.

By the third episode, simmering tensions bubbled to the surface. Ashley and Rosie rehashed the gossip at Rosie's under-construction North Kingstown home. Liz and Gerry went for a bike ride at Roger Williams Park to discuss their Dino issue. At their first anniversary dinner, Rich brought up having children, but Rosie completely rejected the idea.

Ashley and Jared finally had a much-needed — and very rare — date night at Trattoria Romana South. Unsurprisingly, the conversation quickly turned to their café, which was located just a few feet from their outdoor table. Jared's mounting stress was evident as he listed numerous broken pieces of equipment and rising expenses, which Ashley labeled "a money pit." In one of the show's most authentic moments to date, Ashley shared with the camera her sadness over seeing Jared pour his all into the business yet remain unfulfilled.

Kelsey grabbed coffee at Bom Cafe in Providence with Bill L'Europa, "Kelsey's Other Man." The two have known each other since seventh grade, and Bill is beloved by her family. Her older boyfriend offers a life of luxury, but refuses to have more children. Bill presents a more traditional option, yet his financial situation cannot sustain the lifestyle to which Kelsey has grown accustomed. At this point, she

does not see herself with Bill.

The conflict between Jo-Ellen and Rulla heightened dramatically during Gerry's Studio 54-themed birthday party. Initially, the couples tried to smooth things over. The true drama, however, erupted after Kelsey brought up Liz's "ongoing" involvement with Dino. This comment prompted an intoxicated Liz to hop up, run inside the house, and lock herself inside a bedroom.

In the fourth episode, Liz and Dolores burned sage at the table where Jo-Ellen and Rulla had their confrontation, and Liz admitted she came across as a "drunken witch" the night of Gerry's party. She and Kelsey later reconciled while preparing Gerry's fishing boat, the Gypsea, for sale.

On the lighter side, Ashley invited the women to her favorite beach — North Kingstown Town Beach — where Alicia showed up with pizza chips and spinach pies. Rosie then hosted the group at Rhode Island Rail Explorers in Portsmouth, where the women pedaled rail bikes along the coast of Aquidneck Island.

Rulla brought a makeshift bar with her, mixing and shaking cocktails during their rail experience. Alicia shared that during the ride, she hated peddling and preferred instead to work out to "Janes Fonda." But the harmony quickly dissipated when Rosie repeated Liz's comments about Ashley, leading to a confrontation between the two. The pair talked and quickly settled their disagreement.

South County Spotlight

South Kingstown's Matunuck Oyster Bar, a beloved establishment among locals and tourists, earned significant airtime in the pilot episode. The restaurant, currently operating outdoors across from its original location, is still recovering from a fire in May 2025.

The Wakefield location of Chef Luciano Canova's acclaimed Italian restaurant group, Trattoria Romana, served as the setting for a sincere and emotionally candid scene in the third episode.

Audrey's Coffee House and Lounge,

named after Ashley's mother, at South County Commons, has become a recurring set piece. The shop opened in December of 2021 at 60 South County Commons Way, former home of Brewed Awakenings.

Jared, a Warwick native and a graduate of Rhode Island College, hoped to evoke the atmosphere of TV shows like "Friends" and "Cheers." Audrey's serves as a dual-purpose destination where patrons can enjoy lattes in the morning and espresso martinis at night.

Audrey's has cultivated a dedicated customer base, appealing to both locals — especially URI students — and "Bachelor" fans. On the show, Ashley mentioned that Audrey's was recognized as the second-most popular celebrity-owned restaurant nationwide, trailing only Jon Bon Jovi's JBJ Soul Kitchen.

According to the South County Commons website, Audrey's will be featured throughout the season, and viewers may have already spotted a new signature drink inspired by its on-screen moment: a bold espresso layered with caramel, hazelnut, and chocolate, finished with a creamy caramel cold foam.

North Kingstown Town Beach also made a cameo in the fourth episode, but Ashley's pick did not impress her cohorts.

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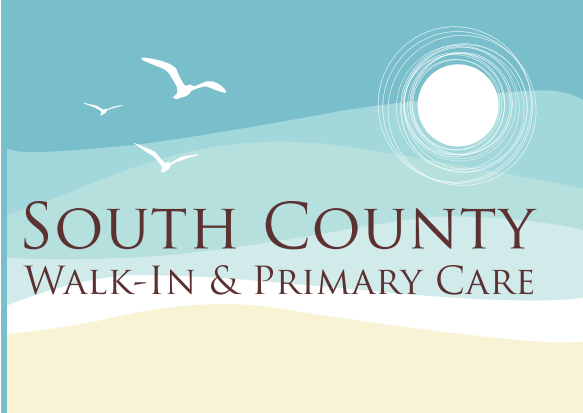
Later this season, the wives will retreat to Seaview Terrace, one of Newport's most historic and privately owned mansions, for a weekend that Bravo promises will rival the Gilded Age.

"The Real Housewives of Rhode Island" airs Sundays at 9 p.m. on Bravo. Episodes stream the following day on Peacock.

Left: Pictured, from left to right, are cast members of the Real Housewives of Rhode Island Elizabeth McGraw, Kelsey Swanson and Jo-Ellen Tiberi
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THE PERFECT PAIR

As they enter their third season of business, Daniel Biller and Adam Corpus of Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream keep getting better and better.

The best way to cap off a fun-filled beach day is with a crispy chicken sandwich along with a scoop of ice cream — at least that is what the co-owner of the Narragansett-based Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream, Daniel Biller, believes.

Biller, who co-owns Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream with business partner and childhood friend Adam Corpus, said the vision for the restaurant from day one was to master high-quality chicken sandwiches paired with select additional menu items at a cheery, family-friendly location. Not only has this vision never faulted, Biller said it gets stronger every day.

Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream recently re-opened for its third season and will be operating until November with a closing date yet to be determined. For this latest season, Biller said the plan is to continue perfecting its foundation while introducing new carefully curated items. The new additions include an expansion of their wing menu, hot dogs, chicken nuggets and soft serve ice cream, as well as a soon-to-be formally announced extension.

"Expect everything to be better and [for] our Daisy's sandwich to be the same. [We are] still back with the fan favorite," Biller said. "We are super excited to show off a lot of new additions, a lot of our products. [We are] just getting better at the way we do."

Biller's admiration for the chicken sandwich dates back to his childhood growing up in South Kingstown. During his adolescence, he lamented over the inability to buy a high-quality chicken sandwich nearby — one of his favorite foods. He recalls driving all the way to Warwick to get his fix while he was in high school.

He said he had aspirations of becoming a business owner and running a restaurant, but never thought it would happen so early in his professional development. The turning point was in 2023 during Biller's sophomore fall semester at the University of Tampa. He received devastating personal news that his family's shih tzu poodle, Daisy, passed away.

Biller said Daisy reminded him of his cooking journey as she would accompany him in his family's kitchen as he cooked at home by himself while his parents worked and his older siblings were at college during his high school days. With her passing, he knew he should be geographically closer to his family.

While he was home for Thanksgiving break, he noticed that the previous restaurant operating at 106 Point Judith Road in Narragansett was closed. He said he always admired this location as it was a good midpoint between Point Judith and Narragansett Beach.

"It is such a perfect, beautiful location with a nice grass field that reminded me of my dog," Biller said. "I took a chance and brought Adam along for the ride. I knew I wanted to make chicken sandwiches so it was a no-brainer to do chicken sandwiches there."

Soon after spotting the soon-to-be official location for a new restaurant, Biller said the rest quickly and remarkably fell into place. The official business discussion began in late 2023, and led to a fast turnaround with Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream opening in spring 2024 for its first season.

Daisy is not the singular reason for Biller jumping into his restaurant venture earlier than he initially intended, yet he said he knew the timing of this restaurant would be a great way to



honor the impact she made on his life. Thus, the choice to call the establishment "Daisy's" was an easy decision.

"Daisy, the reason that brought me back to Rhode Island, [made it] all came together," Biller said.

During the first season, Biller said the objective was to both determine the best chicken sandwich and to figure out the best minutia logistics for all aspects of the restaurant, ranging from how many employees are needed on-site at any given time to the ideal place to put the ketchup. It was a learning curve — but one he feels the team has now mastered gearing into the third season.

"Every day the first year, we fixed something to make it more efficient or ways to make our product better," Biller said. "Every day, we would get better at what we do."

Biller credits some of Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream's success to his and Corpus' drive and determination. He hopes people can see and taste the hard work that goes into nitpicking each element of the restaurant and making everything the greatest or most efficient it can be.

"We really do believe in our product," Biller said. "We work really hard to keep updating and making everything the best it can be. It comes from our day-to-day cleaning process, the exact amount of salt on our fries, we really want to perfect everything we can."

As for Biller's favorite part about Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream, it is not the fact he can now get a chicken salad to his liking in South County. He said it is the positive energy that surrounds the restaurant. He is touched that locals and tourists alike see Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream as a happy place filled with good food, fun music, outdoor games, and summertime spirit.

"We are super excited because we know we are growing every day," Biller said. "We can't wait for the town of Narragansett and anyone who comes to town in Rhode Island for summertime to see Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream."

Daisy's Chicken and Ice Cream is located at 106 Point Judith Road in Narragansett. To see the full menu and to learn more, visit daisysnarragansett.com.

The Daisy's signature chicken sandwich, pictured above, is a popular menu item at Daisy's Chicken & Ice Cream, which is owned by Danny Biller, pictured at left.



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HOME COURT ADVANTAGE

Basketball has taken Colleen Mullen to many places over 20 years. Now, she's back where it began at the University of Rhode Island.

Last time Colleen Mullen was a Rhody Ram, her team played 12 home games in front of an average of just 300 fans.

The Ryan Center hadn't been built yet. The University of Rhode Island's basketball teams played next door in the much smaller Keaney Gymnasium. Women's basketball as an NCAA sport was still in its early stages.

That 1999-00 women's basketball season was a disaster for URI, which went 2-25. Mullen, who was a 5-foot-4-inch point guard from Chelmsford, Massachusetts, and chose to play at URI despite offers from other Atlantic 10 schools, transferred away following her sophomore year.

Twenty-six years later, Mullen is back in Kingston as the team's new head coach, and a lot looks different. The program averaged more than five times as many fans per game this past season. The Rams multiplied their win total by 14 and earned national recognition by reaching the NCAA Tournament for the first time in 30 years. College sports is a different world with the introduction of NIL and the transfer portal, causing players to transfer in and out of programs rapidly.

A lot looks similar to 2000, too. There are some new buildings, but driving through South County brings Mullen nostalgia like it never changed.

"It feels full circle," Mullen said after being introduced as URI's new coach in early April. "It's driving by the dorms and graduate village where I lived and just remembering walking through campus, or on my scooter going to class. Those memories are flooding my brain right now and it's a really cool experience."

Mullen was a solid player with the Rams, averaging 8.9 points, 5.1 rebounds and 3.4 assists per game in her two years, but it came while the program was drifting into obscurity.

Her love for basketball comes from her hatred of losing. Mullen's two years as a player in Rhode Island were marked by many losses and a coaching change that brought a vision different from the one she originally committed to. It drove Mullen to greener pastures, transferring to New Hampshire where she sat out a year due to pre-transfer-portal rules.

After playing two seasons with the Wildcats, Mullen served as an assistant coach at multiple stops before an eight-year stint as the head coach at UAlbany, where she had lots of success. She racked up a 139-102 record with the Great Danes and reached the 2022 NCAA Tournament. At URI, she succeeds Tammi Reiss, who departed for a head coaching job at Florida in late March, seen as a promotion to the higher-ranked Southeastern Conference.

Mullen had chances over the years to move on from Albany for a higher-ranked conference, but she waited for the right job to open. Now, Mullen takes over a Rhody program in the best shape it's ever been.

It's a story of timing. Mullen's first stint with the Rams came when the program was in a slump that didn't end until around COVID-19 times. After leaving URI and graduating from New Hampshire, Mullen worked her way up the coaching ranks and became a perfect fit in Kingston as the program aims to extend its most successful era.

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“To be able to come back and finish what I started is a gift,” Mullen said. “At the time, as a 17-year-old kid making the decision to commit to the University of Rhode Island to come play basketball, it was a dream come true for me.”

Mullen fell in love with basketball as a young kid, but she never had the pure athleticism or size of most Division I players. It made her focus instead on the sport’s intangibles.

Even while she still played, Mullen was always drawn to the coaching profession. She majored in business, which she says helped her develop transferable skills. On the court, she played like a floor general, and that guided her to become director of operations for Northern Illinois women’s basketball in 2004. She found her first assistant coaching job at D-II Southern New Hampshire the following year. She had assistant coaching stops at Lehigh, LIU and Army before her first head coaching gig at Albany in 2018.

Mullen’s coaching philosophy revolves around defense, which fits into the style



the Rams played to perfection under Reiss. Players might not be the most talented, but they can make up for it through hustle and effort. That’s the idea Mullen had during her playing career.

The intangibles stuck with Mullen all

the way to her return to Rhode Island.

“I truly love the idea of team in basketball and working with a team,” Mullen said. “Sacrificing something bigger than yourself, having to have all five players or all 15 players work together to accomplish a goal. To me, that’s really fun and exciting, and that’s why I love it.”

Mullen hasn’t been back to Rhode Island too often since leaving in 2000, but she visited the Ryan Center this past November when URI hosted and beat Albany 64-52. Now, she’ll have full access to the facility.

“Walking into the Ryan Center for the first time when we played them earlier in the season, I was just so impressed,” Mullen said. “And I was really impressed with the crowd and the engagement. But walking through the back area to Keaney Gym and where my old locker room was, it was really just so much nostalgia and appreciation for what this sport has provided for me and where it’s taken me. And I’m truly blessed to be able to come back here and finish something I started.”



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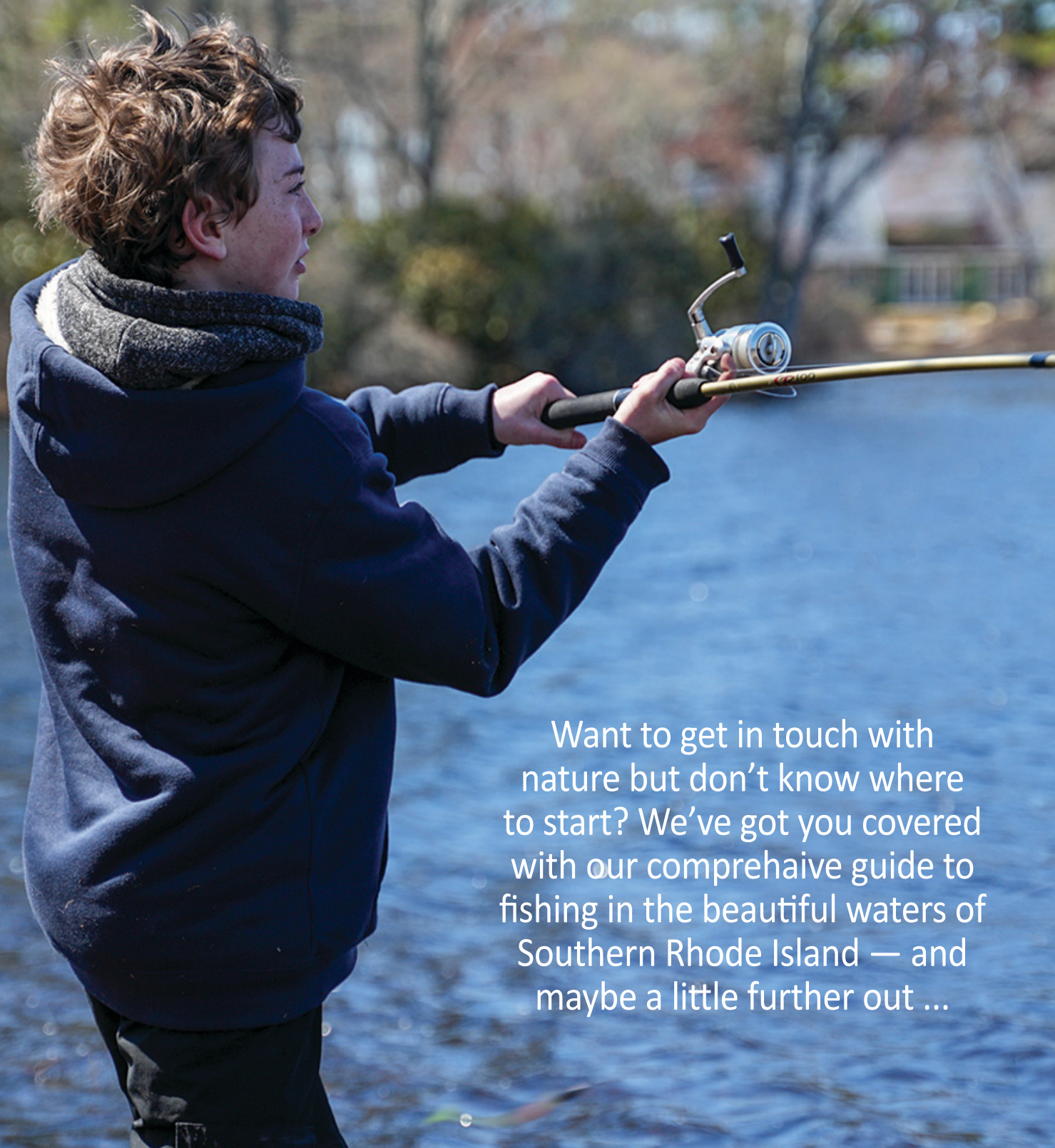
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Summer is just around the corner, as recent trending warm weather hints, and letting out the inner fisher might be this year's "catch" for something new.

Yes, the word is "fisher," described as "a person who catches fish" and is actually older than "fisherman." It goes back to Old English, early medieval English, well before 1100. It is a word, as the sport boasts today, an inclusive sport and increasingly has the use of a name to show it.

From Stonington and Westerly through Narragansett and North Kingstown, there are boats, places and — most of all — FISH for fishers of every taste, both literally and in the location sense for anyone wanting to be a fisher these days.

So, let's cast that net or line wide and look at these fishing opportunities along the Connecticut coastline and into some of Rhode Island's favored vacation and tourist spots.

The stretch of coastline running from Stonington, Connecticut to North Kingstown, Rhode Island is one of the most productive fishing corridors in the American Northeast.

Compressed into roughly 50 miles of shoreline, tidal ponds, breachways, and open sound, it offers everything from fly fishing for striped bass on boulder-strewn reefs to bottom fishing for black sea bass off offshore wrecks, to quiet freshwater afternoons chasing largemouth bass in Rhode Island's Great Swamp region.

For anglers without their own boat, the charter and party boat industry along this coast is well-developed, highly competitive, and genuinely welcoming to first-timers and families alongside seasoned veterans. For specific prices, contact each charter.

Stonington, Connecticut

Stonington Borough sits at the far eastern edge of Connecticut's coastline, tucked against the Rhode Island border with Walker's Dock serving as the departure point for several charter operations.

The waters immediately available — Watch Hill Reef, Fishers Island Sound, The Race, Orient Point, and the open waters toward Montauk — represent some of the finest inshore light-tackle territory on the Atlantic seaboard.

Striped bass arrive in late May and anchor the season through October, joined by bluefish, Atlantic bonito, false albacore, and occasional runs of bluefin tuna.

Lauren B Charters, operated by Captain Steve Burnett from Walker's Dock in Stonington, has been working these waters for 60 years. It runs private charters for groups of any experience level, with special attention to fly fishing and light tackle techniques on the Watch Hill reefs and surrounding structure. Its website is fishwatchhill.com.

"The season begins with stripers and blues in late May and extends through late October with pushes of Atlantic bonito, false albacore and schools of bluefin tuna along the way. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned veteran, this area can provide you with some of the most exciting inshore and fly and light tackle fishing the Northeast has to offer," the company says on the website offering his services.

Also in the Stonington area is Captain Seth Megargle, who with his U.S. Coast Guard master license, offers safe and scenic trips in local waters of CT, RI and NY.

He's been around for over 27 years, with his webpage offering, "from the young age of five without prompt or guidance, Seth found his passion for

fishing. If Seth was missing at home, he could be found at the nearest river, lake or beach with rod in hand! At the age of seventeen, he naturally found himself working on some of the area fishing boats.

The 2010 University of Connecticut Avery Point graduate has the Aubrey Joy, a 48-foot Chesapeake deadrise that can carry up to 20 passengers, making it one of the few options in the area for larger groups or anglers who prefer to join a shared trip rather than book a private charter. His website is captainsethsportfishing.com.

Westerly and Watch Hill

Just across the Connecticut-Rhode Island line, the Pawcatuck River flows through the village of Avondale in Westerly, and Frank Hall Boat Yard there serves as the departure point for two highly regarded charter operations.

Fish Trap, operated by Captain Tom Logan from Frank Hall Boat Yard, runs a 36-foot Wayne Beal custom sportfisher and specializes in deep-sea and inshore fishing for striped bass, fluke, sea bass, mako shark, and bluefin and yellowfin tuna.

Half-day inshore trips are available at \$925 for a four-hour trip, and full-day offshore trips run at \$2,200, which Logan describes as among the most competitive rates in Rhode Island for big-game fishing.

The operation also serves as a practical departure point for Block Island, which is equidistant by water from both Westerly and Point Judith but requires less driving time from the west. Booking information is at fish-ri.com.

Watch Hill Charters, also launching from Frank Hall Boat Yard, is operated by Captain Ben DeMario, a Misquamicut native who specializes in light tackle and fly fishing on the Watch Hill and Fishers Island reefs.

The captain offers trips tailored to young children and complete beginners as well as experienced anglers, and all gear is provided. Charter rates begin at \$600 for four hours.

The operation runs all-private charters, meaning the boat and captain

are dedicated entirely to your group. Watch Hill Reef is among the most species-diverse structures in the region, holding striped bass, bluefish, bonito, false albacore, fluke, black sea bass, and blackfish throughout the season. Information is at watchhillcharters.com.

Point Judith and the Port of Galilee

The Port of Galilee in Narragansett is the commercial and recreational fishing hub of the entire Rhode Island coast, and for good reason.

The passage from Galilee to Block Island takes roughly 30 minutes at speed, putting anglers on some of the most productive striped bass, sea bass, tuna, and shark water on the East Coast within easy reach of a half-day trip.

The Frances Fleet is the largest and longest-established public fishing operation in the region, running four vessels out of Galilee since 1978. Open-boat trips — meaning individual tickets are available, with no requirement to book the entire boat — operate on half-day, full-day, night, and tuna schedules throughout the season.

“The Frances Fleet offers a variety of fishing trips, including half and full day, whale watch, night, tuna and private Charters. Novices and experienced anglers alike are welcome on all our trips, and our crew will be happy to give instructions to anyone who wants or needs assistance,” the company said.

“Reservations are required for all of our trips and can be conveniently booked here on our website. Rods are available for rent or you can bring your own and bait is supplied free of charge. Our store, Captain Tackle, sells a variety of tackle, baits, snacks and gifts,” it said.

For anglers new to offshore fishing who prefer the social, walk-on format of a party boat, the Frances Fleet is the most accessible entry point in the region. Website and reservations are at francesfleet.com.

C-Devil II Sportfishing, captained by Kelly Smith from Dock S-S at the Port of Galilee. Captain Smith has operated in these waters for nearly 40 years aboard a 37-foot Duffy Downeast.

The C-Devil II offers inshore and offshore private charters, with Block Island's North Reef and Southwest Ledge among the primary destinations. The operation books quickly, particularly for summer and fall dates. Website at cdevilsportfishing.com.

Reel to Reel Sportfishing, operating since 1993 from the Port of Galilee, offers 4-, 6-, and 8-hour charters aboard a 40-foot Young Brothers downeast sportfisher targeting striped bass, bluefish, tautog, sea bass, fluke, porgies, sharks, and tuna. Gear and tackle are provided. Website at reelto reelsportfishing.com.

Aces Wild Charters sails from Galilee aboard a 35-foot Henriques Maine Coaster with twin diesels and specializes in inshore bottom fishing and striper trips to Block Island. The cockpit is designed for side-by-side bottom fishing, making it a comfortable option for groups. Information at aceswildcharters.com.

JL Charters, operated by Captain John Lee from Dock PP at the Port of Galilee, offers morning and afternoon trips targeting bottom fish, striped bass, and bluefish. Captain Lee is a longtime contributor to fishing publications. All gear, bait, licensing, and catch cleaning are included. Website at jlcharters.com.

Charter Boat Misty, also sailing from Galilee, is a 43-foot private charter vessel with three generations of fishing experience behind it. Full-day, half-day, and evening trips are available for up to six passengers. Contact at mistycharters.com.

Seven B's V is a Coast Guard-inspected open-boat party vessel docked at Galilee, offering scheduled public trips throughout the season. Dock RR, 30 State Street, Narragansett. Phone: 401-789-9250. Website at sevenbs.com.

Adventure Charters offers light-tackle guided trips out of Galilee for striped bass, bluefish, bonito, and tuna, billing itself as a family-friendly and beginner-welcoming operation. Website at adventurecharters.org.

Big Game Sport Fishing sails from Snug Harbor Marina in South Kingstown, offering inshore and

offshore trips aboard two 36-foot vessels. The operation is known particularly for offshore canyon fishing for tuna, marlin, mahi, sharks, and wahoo, and the captain describes it as spending more days offshore than any other Rhode Island charter. Inshore trips target striped bass and bottom fish. Information and booking at biggamefishingri.com.

Freshwater Fishing

There is a freshwater world running parallel to the saltwater coast that most anglers in this corner of New England overlook.

While charter boats from Stonington and Point Judith get the headlines, the rivers, ponds, and state forests stretching from eastern Connecticut across the Rhode Island line into Washington County offer some fine inland fishing in the Northeast — much of it free, public, unhurried, and within a short drive of the same harbors those charter captains depart from.

Near Stonington, CT

The most significant freshwater fishing resource in the Stonington-area corridor is Pachaug State Forest, Connecticut's largest state forest at nearly 27,000 acres, sprawling across North Stonington, Voluntown, Sterling, Griswold, Plainfield, and Preston.

Whether you want to leisurely paddle around the small islands of Green Fall Pond or move more briskly across Beachdale Pond in a motorboat, Pachaug offers a range of freshwater experiences. There is no fee for day use. Camping is available at two main campgrounds.

Beachdale Pond (Voluntown/Chapman Area of Pachaug State Forest) is the primary trout pond, stocked by CT DEEP and also holding natural bass, pickerel, and bullhead. Beachdale Pond is stocked with trout and has natural bass, pickerel and bullhead. There is a trailered boat launch on the east side of Route 49 and a handicapped-accessible fishing platform. The state forest's Chapman Area headquarters is at 860-376-4075.

Green Fall Pond (Green Fall Reservoir;

Know Before You Go: Connecticut and Rhode Island Fishing Licenses

Connecticut Saltwater

Anyone 16 or older fishing Connecticut's marine district needs a Marine Waters Fishing License, issued annually and expiring December 31. Resident adults pay \$32 for an all-waters license covering both salt and freshwater; non-residents pay \$63.

A saltwater-only marine license runs \$28 for residents, \$55 for non-residents. Residents 16 and 17 get a 50 percent discount. Seniors 65 and over receive a free license, renewed annually. Passengers on a licensed party or charter vessel registered with CT DEEP do not need their own license — confirm this with your operator when booking.

Anglers holding a valid marine license from Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, or New York may fish Connecticut waters under reciprocity, and the reverse applies for Connecticut residents. Licenses are sold online at portal.ct.gov/CTOutdoorLicenses, at DEEP offices, town clerk offices, and authorized tackle shops.

Rhode Island Saltwater

Rhode Island keeps its saltwater fees low by statute. Residents pay \$7 annually; non-residents pay \$10. A seven-day license runs \$5 for anyone. The annual license expires December 31; anglers must be 16 or older.

Residents 65 and over and active military stationed in Rhode Island receive a free license — the senior license is permanent once obtained. Rhode Island honors saltwater licenses from New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Maine, giving those holders access to all state and offshore federal waters without a separate Rhode Island license.

Passengers aboard a licensed Rhode Island party or charter boat are covered by the vessel's registration. Licenses are available at rioutdoors.com and from bait and tackle shops statewide.

North Stonington/Voluntown) is a smaller, quieter water offering trout, pickerel, bass, and bullhead, with car-top boat launch access off Route 138. Paddlers and kayakers favor it for its wooded islands and solitude.

Anderson Pond (also called Blue Lake, North Stonington) covers 57 acres and

Connecticut Freshwater

Anglers 16 and older need an inland license. Resident adults pay \$28 for inland-only access; non-residents pay \$55. All-waters licenses covering both fresh and saltwater run \$32 for residents, \$63 for non-residents.

Licenses expire December 31. Seniors 65 and over receive a free license renewed annually; residents 16 and 17 receive a 50 percent discount. A Trout and Salmon Stamp costs an additional \$5 for anyone keeping trout. Starting January 1, 2026, a statewide 9-inch minimum length applies to all trout species.

Three free fishing days in 2026: May 9 (no license required), and June 21 and August 8 (free one-day license required, obtained online up to three weeks in advance). Buy licenses at portal.ct.gov/CTOutdoorLicenses, DEEP offices, town clerks, or tackle shops. Full freshwater fishing information is at portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Fishing/Freshwater.

Rhode Island Freshwater

Anglers 15 and older need a license. Residents pay \$21 annually; non-residents pay \$38. The license year runs March 1 through the last day of February. A three-day tourist license is available for non-residents.

A Trout Conservation Stamp costs \$5.50 and is required to keep trout, salmon, or charr, or to fish catch-and-release or fly-fishing-only waters; it is not required for anglers 65 and over or those with 100 percent disability.

Licenses are sold at rioutdoors.com, authorized bait shops, some town clerks, or in person at DEM's Office of Boat Registration and Licensing, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Freshwater regulations and stocking updates are at dem.ri.gov/fishing and dem.ri.gov/troutwaters.

holds largemouth bass, chain pickerel, crappie, sunfish, bass, and yellow perch. No special regulations apply beyond statewide standards.

Lantern Hill Pond (Ledyard-North Stonington) is a 23-acre pond with

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trout stocking and a notable special provision: both a Connecticut and Rhode Island fishing license are legal on the entire pond, with Connecticut and Rhode Island regulations applying in combination for black bass and chain pickerel.

The Mystic River (downstream of the confluence of Haleys Brook and Whitford Brook, Groton-Stonington) is listed as a trout-stocked stream by CT DEEP and provides accessible river fishing in the urban edge of the region.

The Shunock River (North Stonington, from Hewitt's Fly Pond to the Pawcatuck River) is designated a Wild Trout Management Area with brook trout, brown trout, and native brook trout. This is a Class 3 wild trout water — catch-and-release in designated sections — and the Trout and Salmon Stamp is required to fish. Fly fishing with barbless single-hook artificials is the standard for the wild sections.

The Green Falls River (North Stonington-Voluntown) runs from Green Falls Dam to the Rhode Island state line and is stocked with trout in the lower section; above Wyassup Brook it is designated a Class 1 Wild Trout Management Area requiring barbless single hooks only.

The Pachaug River (Griswold-Voluntown) runs 16 miles through Pachaug State Forest from its source at Beach Pond to its junction with the Quinebaug River, and carries trout-stocked sections from Beach Pond through Voluntown.

The full CT DEEP interactive fishing map, lake regulations, and trout stocking schedule are at portal.ct.gov/deep/fishing/general-information/where-to-go-fishing. The CT DEEP Freshwater Fishing Guide with all lake-by-lake regulations is at portal.ct.gov/deep/fishing/freshwater-fishing-guide/lake-and-pond-regulations.

Pachaug State Forest main information: ctparks.com/parks/pachaug-state-forest

There are no commercial freshwater fishing guide operations specifically based in the Stonington area. The

charter industry in eastern Connecticut is overwhelmingly saltwater-focused, with the freshwater fishing in Pachaug and surrounding waters best accessed independently on a do-it-yourself basis.

Rhode Island Washington County

The Wood River is the crown jewel of Washington County freshwater fishing and arguably the finest trout river in Rhode Island. The Wood River flows through the heart of Arcadia Management

Area and offers anglers one of the best freshwater fishing experiences available in the state.

It has been, for the last 20 years especially, a brown trout river supreme, while offering some of the best native brook trout fishing anywhere in the state. Its bottom is easy to wade — copper and gold-colored gravel and stone — and it is abundant in insect life including caddis flies, stoneflies, midges, and mayfly hatches including Black Quills, Hendricksons, Gray Fox, Mahogany Duns, and Blue Wing Olives.

The river is stocked with rainbow, brown, and brook trout by RIDEM at multiple access points including Bradford, Burdickville, Richmond Landing, Kings Factory Bridge, and Shannock, in Hopkinton, Richmond, Charlestown, and Westerly.

The Wood River Fly Fishing Club provides volunteer float stocking along the river and has been instrumental in maintaining its quality. Arcadia Management Area, which surrounds the Wood River, provides extensive public access. Information on the watershed is at the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association: wpwa.org/fishing.

The Pawcatuck River begins where the Wood River ends and flows southwest to Westerly and the Rhode Island-Connecticut border. RIDEM provides multiple DEM fishing access points along the Pawcatuck including Taylor's Landing in Kingston, Biscuit City Landing in



Richmond,

Jay Cronan Fishing Access in Richmond, and Bradford Fishing Access.

The river holds stocked trout in upper sections and, as it approaches tidewater in Westerly, transitions to striped bass and bluefish water accessible by canoe or kayak from RIDEM ramps in downtown Westerly. The Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association maintains paddling and fishing access maps at wpwa.org/paddling-maps.

The Beaver River (Richmond) holds wild brook trout and is a catch-and-release-only stretch with artificial lures and single crimped or barbless hooks required — a rare opportunity to pursue native fish in a natural setting.

Watchaug Pond (Charlestown, Burlingame State Park) is a large, publicly accessible pond within one of Washington County's most popular state parks. Fishing is done on Watchaug Pond at this popular state park, which has a boat ramp. The pond is stocked with trout and holds largemouth bass and panfish.

Burlingame State Park is at 1 Burlingame State Park Road, Charlestown; phone 401-322-8910. The pond has been identified as a site where Largemouth Bass Virus has been detected, so anglers should not transfer water, live fish, or wet equipment to other water bodies.

Barber's Pond (South Kingstown, off



license may fish this particular border water legally.

Tucker Pond and Indian Lake (South Kingstown) hold largemouth and smallmouth bass with 10-horsepower motor limits at the state ramp.

The Pawcatuck River Access Points along the Washington County corridor — including Biscuit City Landing and Jay Cronan Fishing Access, both in Richmond — give easy foot and small-boat access to excellent trout and bass water without requiring anything more than a rod, license, and willingness to explore.

Commercial Guide Services in Washington County

Washington County's freshwater fishing is largely a do-it-yourself culture, and no dedicated freshwater guide services based specifically in the county were found in public listings. However, Northeast Anglers, based in West Bay, Rhode Island, offers freshwater float trips for wild trout, smallmouth bass, and pike on fly in addition to its saltwater work. Their website is northeastanglers.com.

For those who want organized introduction to the Wood River in particular, the Wood River Fly Fishing Club and the Narragansett Chapter of Trout Unlimited are the primary community resources. Both organizations contribute to float stocking and habitat maintenance on the river and welcome new members.

Write to Bill Seymour, a freelance writer, at independent.southcountylife@gmail.com.

Route 2) is a 28-acre electric-motor-only pond regularly stocked by RIDEM with rainbow and brook trout. Public parking is available. This is an accessible pond for families and beginning anglers.

Wyoming Pond (Hopkinton/Richmond) appears regularly on RIDEM stocking lists and offers good trout fishing with a public boat ramp.

Beach Pond (Exeter, on the Rhode Island-Connecticut border) provides access to smallmouth bass, walleye, and stocked rainbow and brown trout. RI fishing licenses are reciprocal with Connecticut only for Beach Pond, Killingly Pond, Hazard Pond, and Peck Pond — meaning anglers with either a Connecticut or Rhode Island inland

Key Government Links

Rhode Island

- RIDEM Freshwater Fishing main page: dem.ri.gov/fishing
- RIDEM Designated Trout Waters and stocking updates: dem.ri.gov/troutwaters
- Rhode Island Outdoors licensing portal: rioutdoors.com
- RIDEM Great Swamp Field Office (fishing questions): 401-789-0281
- Freshwater fishing regulations (eRegulations): eregulations.com/rhodeisland/fishing/freshwater
- South County fishing locations: visitri.com/southcounty/fishing-locations

Connecticut

- CT DEEP Freshwater Fishing main page: portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Fishing/Freshwater
- CT DEEP Licenses and Permits: portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Fishing/General-Information/Fisheries-Licenses-and-Permits
- CT Online Outdoor Licensing System: portal.ct.gov/CTOutdoorLicenses
- CT DEEP Where to Fish: portal.ct.gov/deep/fishing/general-information/where-to-go-fishing
- Pachaug State Forest: ctparks.com/parks/pachaug-state-forest
- CT DEEP Freshwater Fishing Guide lake and pond regulations: portal.ct.gov/deep/fishing/freshwater-fishing-guide/lake-and-pond-regulations

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ONGOING

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN — Art Exhibit. On display through May 9. Hera Gallery, 10 High Street, Wakefield. heragallery.org.

JAM INVITATIONAL — Art Exhibit. On Display Through May 10. Wickford Art Association, 36 Beach Street, North Kingstown. 401-294-6840.

53RD EARTHWORKS OPEN JURIED CLAY ANNUAL — Art Exhibit. On Display through May 16. South County Art Association, 2587 Kingstown Rd, Kingston. southcountyart.org.

NEXT — Art exhibit featuring “the next generation of artists from Jamestown.” On display through June 13. Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street, Jamestown. 401-560-0979. jamestownartcenter.org.

IN THE ZEITGEIST: FRANCOIS POISSON — Art exhibit. On display through June 13. Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street, Jamestown. 401-560-0979. jamestownartcenter.org.

UKULELE JAM NIGHT — Event. Monday nights, 6-8 p.m. \$5 suggested donation. Pump House Music Works, 1464 Kingstown Rd, Wakefield. pumphousemusicworks.com.

OLD TIME JAM — Event. Tuesday nights, 6-8 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Pump House Music Works, 1464 Kingstown Rd, Wakefield. pumphousemusicworks.com.

ACOUSTIC LOUNGE OPEN MIC — Event. Wednesday nights, 6-10 p.m. \$5 suggested donation. Pump House Music Works, 1464 Kingstown Rd, Wakefield. pumphousemusicworks.com.

MUSICAL BINGO — Event. Every Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY AT ROGER WILLIAMS PARK — Event. Every Friday, 5-8 p.m.. Free. Roger Williams Park Carousel Village, 1000 Elmwood Ave., Providence, rwpzoo.org

JAVA JAM — Event, Saturdays, 2-5 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

SKY VIEWS PLANETARIUM SHOW — Every Sunday. 2-2:30 p.m. Members free. \$5 non-members. The Museum of Natural History at Roger Williams Park, 1000 Elmwood Ave., Providence. For more information, visit providenceri.gov/museum/planetarium-shows.

MAY 8

ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE FUNDRAISER — Event, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

2026 MISQUAMICUT SPRING FESTIVAL — Event featuring dancing, music, food truck row, carnival amusements, rides and games, beer and wine garden, classic car show and more. 5-11 p.m. Misquamicut State Beach, 257 Atlantic Avenue, Westerly.

THE MOORS — Live Theater. 7 p.m. \$12.50-\$47.50. Contemporary Theater Company, 327 Main Street, Wakefield. contemporarytheatercompany.com.

TELEDYNES DUO — Live Music. 7:30

p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

I PETTY THE FOOL (TOM PETTY TRIBUTE) — Live Music. 8-11 p.m. \$10 Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

4NRS JOURNEY — Live Music. 8 p.m. \$26-\$36. Stadium Theatre, 28 Monument Square, Woonsocket. For more information, visit stadiumtheatre.com or call 401-762-4545.

GREG PICCOLO & HEAVY JUICE-75TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION — Event. 8 p.m. \$25. The United Theatre, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

PAUL GILBERT — Concert. With Greg Koch. 8 p.m., \$35-\$42. Greenwich Odeum, 59 Main Street, East Greenwich. 401-885-4000. greenwichodeum.com.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SERIAL KILLERS — Event. 8 p.m. \$42-\$52. The United Theatre, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

THE WARPED TOUR BAND — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$24.66 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net

MAY 9

SPRING CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR — Live Music. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Free. Phantom Farms, 2920 Diamond Hill Road, Cumberland. For more information, contact info@phantomfarms.com or call (401) 333-2240.

2026 WEST WARWICK ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL — Event featuring handcrafters, artists, artisans and authors. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Free. West Warwick Civic Center, 100 Factory St. West Warwick.

MARIO & MARY — Live Music, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

2026 MISQUAMICUT SPRING FESTIVAL — Event featuring dancing, music, food truck row, carnival amusements, rides and games, beer and wine garden, classic car show and more. 11:30 a.m.-11 p.m. Misquamicut State Beach, 257 Atlantic Avenue, Westerly.

LEONIE SWANN AUTHOR TALK — Event. 3 p.m. The United Theatre United Gallery Events Space, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA — Event featuring a talk by Esme Zdrov-MacDonald on “Family Life in Colonial Days.” 4:30 p.m. Smith's Castle Updike Dining Room. Limited Seating (24). \$35/person. 55 Richard Smith Drive, North Kingstown. 294-3521. smithscastle.org.

A BAND CALLED POP — Event. 6:30 p.m. Knickerbocker Music Lab, 35 Railroad Ave., Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

THE MOORS — Live Theater. 7 p.m. \$12.50-\$47.50. Contemporary Theater Company, 327 Main Street, Wakefield. contemporarytheatercompany.com.

SPEAKEASY CHOIR — Event. 7 p.m. The United Theatre United Gallery Events Space, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

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HOLY — Concert. 7:30-10 p.m. \$27-\$37. Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

RASH CAT — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE 80S — Live Music. 8-11 p.m. \$10 Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS — Live Music. 8 p.m. \$15 Advance, \$20 At Door. Pump House Music Works, 1464 Kingstown Rd, Wakefield. pumphousemusicworks.com.

MR. SPEED — Live Music. 8 p.m. \$35-\$45. Stadium Theatre, 28 Monument Square, Woonsocket. For more information, visit stadiumtheatre.com or call 401-762-4545.

DUDEMANBRO W./ SPECIAL GUESTS PROFESSOR ROOTS — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$19.26 General Admission, \$51.66 Buy 3, Get 1 Free. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 10

2026 MISQUAMICUT SPRING FESTIVAL — Event featuring dancing, music, food truck row, carnival amusements, rides and games, beer and wine garden, classic car show and more. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Misquamicut State Beach, 257 Atlantic Avenue, Westerly.

BETHANY STEINER — Live Music, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

JUST-TUS — Live Music. 4-7 p.m. Free. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

MAY 11

LIBERTY TREE PLANTING CEREMONY — Event. 1-2 p.m. Woonsocket City Hall, 169 Main St, Woonsocket. For more information, visit rhodeisland250.org or call 401-762-6400.

MAY 12

JAC TALK: MICHAEL KLEIN — Event. 6-7:30 p.m. RSVP encouraged. Pay-what-you-can. Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street, Jamestown. 401-560-0979. jamestownartcenter.org.

OCEAN MISTICS — Live Music. 5-8 p.m. No Cover. 21+ Only after 8 p.m. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 14

CONVERSATIONS AT THE CASTLE — Event featuring guest speaker Elizabeth Caden on “Rhode Island Quakers in the War of Independence.” 6 p.m. Smith's Castle, 55 Richard Smith Drive, North Kingstown. 294-3521. smithscastle.org.

DIRTY DOZEN BRASS BAND — Concert. 8 p.m., \$45-\$50. Greenwich Odeum, 59 Main Street, East Greenwich. 401-885-4000. greenwichodeum.com.

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RIISING ARTISTS: ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP EXHIBIT — Art Exhibit. Wickford Art Association, 36 Beach Street, North Kingstown. 401-294-6840.

MAY 15

THE MOORS — Live Theater. 7 p.m. \$12.50-\$47.50. Contemporary Theater Company, 327 Main Street, Wakefield. contemporarytheatercompany.com.

VAN MORRISON-MOONDANCE — Concert. 7:30-10 p.m. \$29.84-\$34.98. Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

DANCE NIGHT AT THE KNICK WITH EIGHT TO THE BAR & UNITED BIG BAND AND JAZZ COMBO — Event. 7:30 p.m., \$17. Knickerbocker Music Lab, 35 Railroad Ave., Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

TIM SULLIVAN DUO — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

TAKE IT TO THE BRIDGE — Live Music. 8-11 p.m. \$10 Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

GLATTA BUMBOO — Live Music. 8 p.m. \$20 advance, \$25 at door. Pump House Music Works, 1464 Kingstown Rd, Wakefield. pumphousemusicworks.com.

PET SOUNDS LIVE! — Concert. 8 p.m., \$42-\$48. Greenwich Odeum, 59 Main Street, East Greenwich. 401-885-4000. greenwichodeum.com.

VOICES OF ROCK — Live Music. 8 p.m. \$30-\$40. Stadium Theatre, 28 Monument Square, Woonsocket. For more information, visit stadiumtheatre.com or call 401-762-4545.

LAMP (FT. RUSS LAWTON, SCOTT METZGER, RAY PACZKOWSKI) — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$30.06 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 16-JUN. 7

SHAKESPEARE'S MEASURE FOR MEASURE — Live Theater. Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Pay What You Will on May 16, \$35 tickets for all other dates. Burbage Theatre Co., 59 Blackstone Avenue, Pawtucket. For more information, visit burbagetheatre.org or call 401-484-0355.

MAY 16

ANNUAL QUALITY SECONDS POTTERY SALE — Event. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. South County Art Association, 2587 Kingstown Rd, Kingston. southcountyart.org.

ED MCGUIRL & FRIENDS? — Live Music. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-ALEX

SHILLO & BADLANDS — Concert. 7-9:30 p.m. \$29.84-\$34.98. Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

THE MOORS — Live Theater. 7 p.m. \$12.50-\$47.50. Contemporary Theater Company, 327 Main Street, Wakefield. contemporarytheatercompany.com.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS 2026-PREQUALIFIER — Event. 7 p.m., \$10. Knickerbocker Music Lab, 35 Railroad Ave., Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

AN EVENING OF WONDERS — Event featuring international illusionist Vitaly. 7:30 p.m. \$31-\$51. Stadium Theatre, 28 Monument Square, Woonsocket. For more information, visit stadiumtheatre.com or call 401-762-4545.

POPPY CHAMPLIN'S HOT MIC COMEDY FEAT. STACY KENDRO — Event. 7:30 p.m. \$20. Pump House Music Works, 1464 Kingstown Rd, Wakefield. pumphousemusicworks.com.

PROS FROM DOVER — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

RETRO FLOYD (PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE) — Live Music. 8-11 p.m. \$15 Online, \$20 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

PRINCE/BOWIE — Event. 8 p.m. \$35. The United Theatre, 5 Canal Street, Westerly.

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MAY 17

GRAN'PA J — Live Music, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

SUNDAY FUNDAY WITH JUICE BOX — Live Music, 4-7 p.m. \$5 cover. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

STEVE SMITH & THE NAKEDS — Live Music, 4-7 p.m. \$10 Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

THE 'NEXT' CONTESTANT: A GAME SHOW-STYLE ARTISTS DISCUSSION — Event, 4-5:30 p.m. Free. Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street, Jamestown. 401-560-0979. jamestownartcenter.org.

TANGENT — Live Music, 4 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282. oakhilltavern.com.

THE WALLFLOWERS — Concert. With social guests Lost Leaders, 7 p.m., SOLD OUT. Greenwich Odeum, 59 Main Street, East Greenwich. 401-885-4000. greenwichodeum.com.

THE WAILERS 50 YEARS OF POSITIVE VIBRATIONS — Event, 8 p.m. \$57. The United Theatre, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

MAY 19

OCEAN MISTICS — Live Music, 5-8 p.m.

No Cover, 21+ Only after 8 p.m. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 20

ROOTS MUSIC STOMP-BOB DYLAN 85TH BIRTHDAY BASH — Event, 6 p.m. The United Theatre United Gallery Events Space, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

TOAST - THE ULTIMATE BREAD EXPERIENCE — Live Music, 7 p.m. \$37-\$57. Stadium Theatre, 28 Monument Square, Woonsocket. For more information, visit stadiumtheatre.com or call 401-762-4545.

MAY 21-JUN. 13

MEMBERS INVITATIONAL — Art Exhibit featuring the work of member artists. South County Art Association, 2587 Kingstown Rd, Kingston. southcountyrart.org.

MAY 21

BUTCH CASSIDY AND THE SUNDANCE KID — Film Screening, 7 p.m., \$14. Greenwich Odeum, 59 Main Street, East Greenwich. 401-885-4000. greenwichodeum.com.

MAY 22

THE MOORS — Live Theater, 7 p.m. \$12.50-\$47.50. Contemporary Theater Company, 327 Main Street, Wakefield. contemporarytheatercompany.com.

EAGLES-EAGLES EXPERIENCE — Concert, 7:30-10 p.m. \$31.89-\$40.12.

Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

FUZEK & MCGUIRL — Live Music, 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282. oakhilltavern.com.

MYSTIC DEAD (GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE) — Live Music, 8-11 p.m. \$15 Online, \$20 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

WILL EVANS WITH SPECIAL GUEST KING KYOTE — Event, 8 p.m. \$45-\$80. The United Theatre, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

JIMMY KENNY AND THE PIRATE BEACH BAND — Live Music, 9-11:59 p.m. \$30.06 General Admission, 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 23

BREAKFAST TALK — Event featuring Smith's Castle historian Marilyn Harris for a speech on "Women During the American Revolution." 9:30 a.m. coffee and refreshments, 10 a.m. presentation. \$5 Suggested Donation. Smith's Castle, 55 Richard Smith Drive, North Kingstown. 294-3521. smithscastle.org.

LIBERTY TREE PLANTING CEREMONY — Event, 12-1 p.m. Gateway Park, 487 Great Rd, Lincoln. For more information, visit rhodeisland250.org or email ggervais@lincolnri.org.

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THE MOORS — Live Theater. 7 p.m. \$12.50-\$47.50. Contemporary Theater Company, 327 Main Street, Wakefield. contemporarytheatercompany.com.

EAGLES EAGLES EXPERIENCE — Concert. 7:30-10 p.m. \$31.89-\$42.18. Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

THAT ACUOSTIC DUO — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

19TH NERVOUS BREAKDOWN (ROLLING STONES TRIBUTE) — Live Music. 8-11 p.m. \$10 Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

STEVE SMITH AND THE NAKEDS — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$19.26 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 24

THE JEWELRY SHOW! — Live Music, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Java Madness, 134 Salt Pond Road, Wakefield. For more information, visit javamadness.com.

ROC-KIN'-ON — Live Music. 4-7 p.m. Free. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

SUNDAY FUNDAY WITH THE SENDERS — Live Music. 4-7 p.m. \$5 cover. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

JUSTIN BRYAN — Live Music. 4 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

GA-20 — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$24.66 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 25

FOOD TRUCKS & CONCERTS AT CHASE FARM — Event featuring performer Nolan Leite. 5-8:30 p.m. Free admission, food and beverages available for purchase. Chase Farm, 667 Great Rd Lincoln.

MAY 26

OCEAN MISTICS — Live Music. 5-8 p.m. No Cover. 21+ Only after 8 p.m. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 28

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 2 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

CUMBERLAND FOOD TRUCK CONCERT NIGHT — Event. 5-8:30 p.m. Free. Diamond Hill Park, 4097 Diamond Hill Rd, Cumberland.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 8 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The

Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

MAY 29-JUN. 28

OUTSIDE THE LINES. ABSTRACT/AVANT-GARDE — Art Exhibit. Wickford Art Association, 36 Beach Street, North Kingstown. 401-294-6840.

MAY 29

UNITED WE LAUGH-MAY 2026 — Event. 7 p.m. \$20. The United Theatre United Gallery Events Space, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

TOM PETTY-REFUGEE — Concert. 7:30-10 p.m. \$29.84-\$40.12. Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

DAN LILLEY & SCATMAN — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 8 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

YACHTY BY NATURE — Concert. 8 p.m., \$44. Greenwich Odeum, 59 Main Street, East Greenwich. 401-885-4000. greenwichodeum.com.

JUNIOR TOOTS (SON OF TOOTS HIBBERT, TOOTS & THE MAYTALS) — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$30.06 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 30

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 2 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS 2026-FINALS — Event. 7 p.m., \$10. Knickerbocker Music Lab, 35 Railroad Ave., Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

PAUL VACCARO — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

PINK HOUSES (JOHN MELLENCAMP TRIBUTE) — Live Music. 8-11 p.m. \$10 Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 8 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

MATUNUCK PROM FEATURING THE BAND FEVER — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$13.86 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

MAY 31

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 2 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

SUNDAY FUNDAY WITH DIVA & THE PLAYBOYS — Live Music. 4-7 p.m. \$5 cover. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

TIMELESS — Live Music. 4-7 p.m. \$10

Online, \$15 at the door. Charlestown Rathskeller, 489a Old Coach Road, Charlestown. 401-792-1000. thecharlestownrathskeller.com.

MARK & TOSS — Live Music. 4 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

YOUTH-ON-THE-MIC — Event. 4:30 p.m. Free. Knickerbocker Music Lab, 35 Railroad Ave., Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 7 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

LUCAS NEIL ALBUM CELEBRATION SHOW — Event. 7 p.m. \$17. The United Theatre United Gallery Events Space, 5 Canal Street, Westerly. unitedtheatre.org.

JUN. 2

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 7:30 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

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LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 7:30 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

JUN. 4

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 2 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

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JUN. 5

THE COUNTRY JAMBOREE - CLASSIC COUNTRY MUSIC CELEBRATION — Concert. 7-9:30 p.m., \$25.72-\$36.01. Courthouse Center for the Arts, 3481 Kingstown Rd, West Kingstown. 401-782-1018. courthousearts.org.

APPLE HILL — Live Music. 7:30 p.m., Oak Hill Tavern, 565 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. 294-3282, oakhilltavern.com.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS — Live Theater. 8 p.m. \$64-\$96. Theatre By The Sea, 364 Cards Pond Rd., Wakefield. TheatreByTheSea.com.

DEER TICK WITH SPECIAL GUESTS RAINDOGS — Live Music. 9-11:59 p.m. \$57.06 General Admission. 21+. Ocean Mist, 895 Matunuck Beach Rd, South Kingstown. oceanmist.net.

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