

# Wellfleet Seasonal Residents Association

*Promoting community involvement and communication*

## Mid Summer Updates

WSRA's annual **State of the Town** meeting will be held on August 20 on Zoom at 7:30 PM. To hear from members of the Wellfleet Select Board and "meet" the new Town Administrator, [join at this link](#).

Meeting ID: 970 1458 5563

Passcode: 206621

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/j/97014585563>

There will be time for you to raise questions and concerns

### **Shark activity**

After a fairly quiet July, shark activity picked up at the end of the month and in early August. On August 1, the state Police Air Wing captured [video](#) of a Great White swimming 50 yards off Newcomb Hollow an hour after the beach had been closed because of an earlier shark sighting. On August 6, swimmers were ordered out of the water for at least an hour at Newcomb Hollow Beach and LeCount Hollow in Wellfleet as well as Head of the Meadow Beach in Truro, Nauset Beach in Orleans and Coast Guard Beach in Eastham. There were also numerous shark sightings in Cape Cod Bay.

### **Governor's new orders**

Effective Tuesday, August 11, the gap on outdoor gatherings—in both public and private spaces—will be reduced from 100 to 50. The inside gathering limit will remain at 25 people. In addition, alcohol can only be ordered at a restaurant if it is accompanied by food.

Guests and renters should be aware that as of August 1, 2020, anyone over the age of 18 entering Massachusetts, including returning residents, is subject to a [new order](#) from the governor. They must:

1. Complete the [Massachusetts Travel Form](#) prior to arrival, unless they are coming from a lower-risk state designated by the [Massachusetts Department of Public Health](#)
2. Quarantine for 14 days or produce a negative COVID-19 test result that has been administered up to 72-hours prior to arrival in Massachusetts
3. If test results have not been received prior to arrival, quarantine until receiving a negative test result.

Individuals in quarantine are asked to stay at home, to minimize trips to the grocery or drug store, and to exercise away from others. Failure to comply may result in a **\$500 fine per day**.

### **Covid in Wellfleet**

Wellfleet has had only two cases since the beginning of the summer (five were reported in the spring, resulting in one death). There have been pop-up testing sites in Dennis and Harwich, mostly for restaurant workers. Outer Cape Health Services in Wellfleet offers testing to patients with a doctor's prescription or if authorized by a member of OCHS clinical staff after a telehealth appointment. In either case, you must call 508-905-2888 first. There have been some shortages in the supplies used for testing; the length of time between testing and notification is usually between 3 and 7 days. Priority is given to first responders (36 hour turnaround). Contact tracing is being handled by the Visiting Nurses.

**New resource**

A group of medical and mental health professionals has established the Well Line to provide support during the pandemic. For more information, go to the [town website](#).

**Dues**

We are more than halfway through the year. If you have not already paid your 2020 dues, please do so [online](#) or by mail. Thank you.