

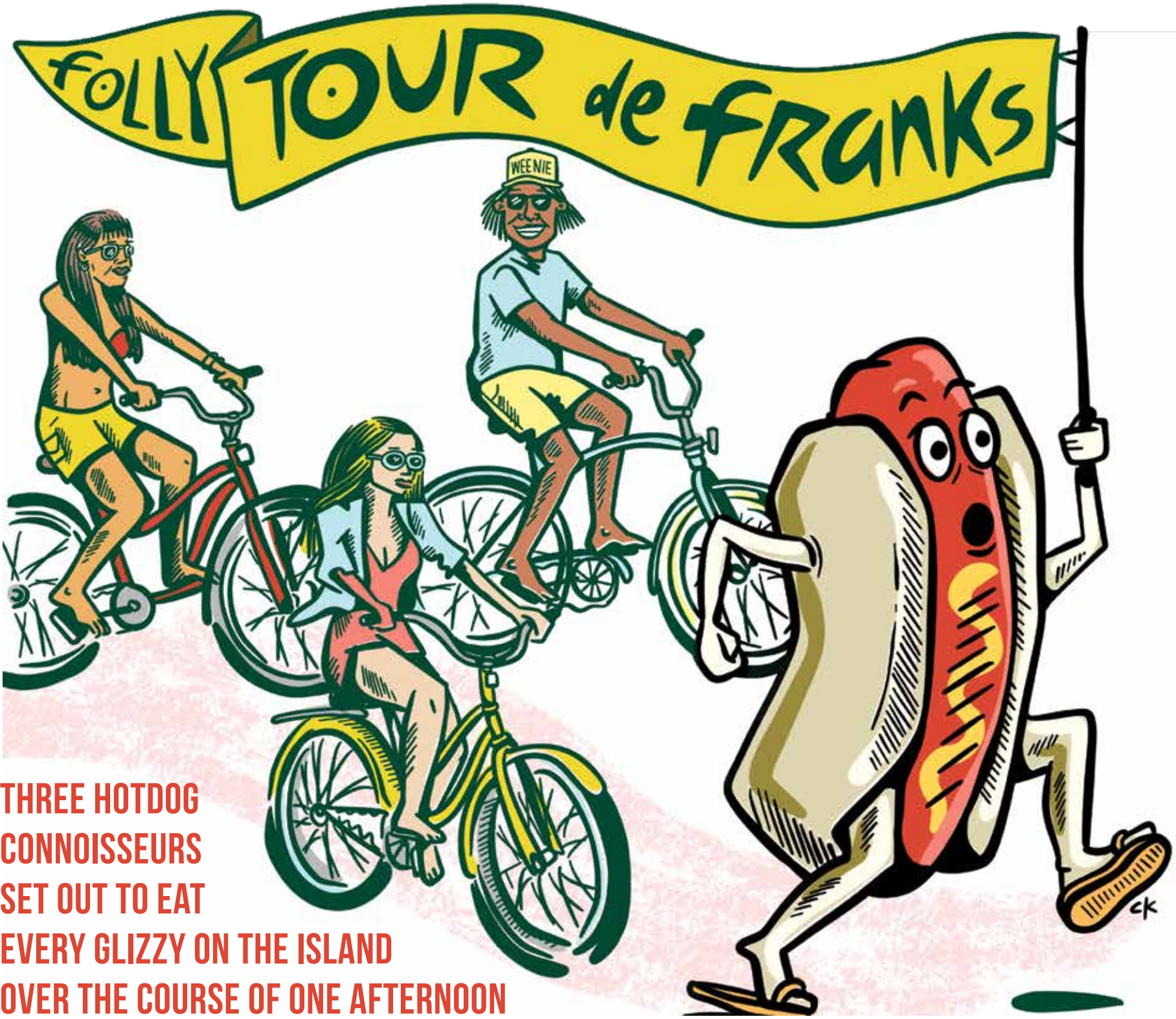
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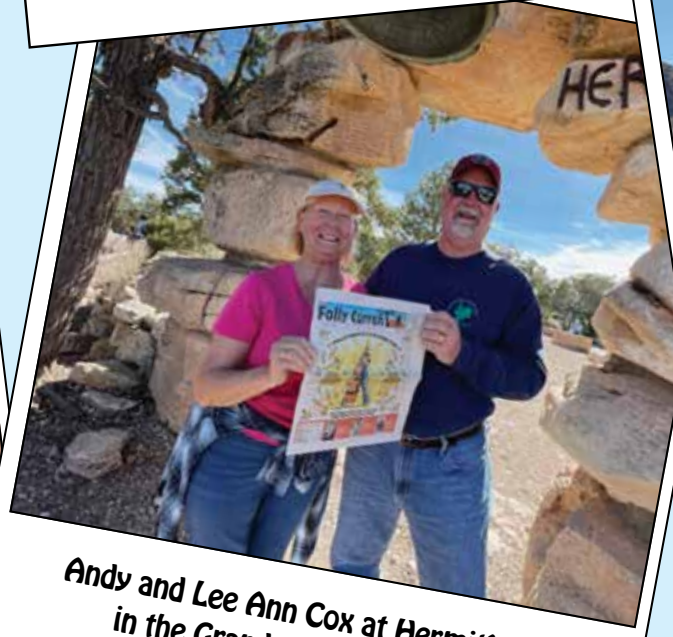
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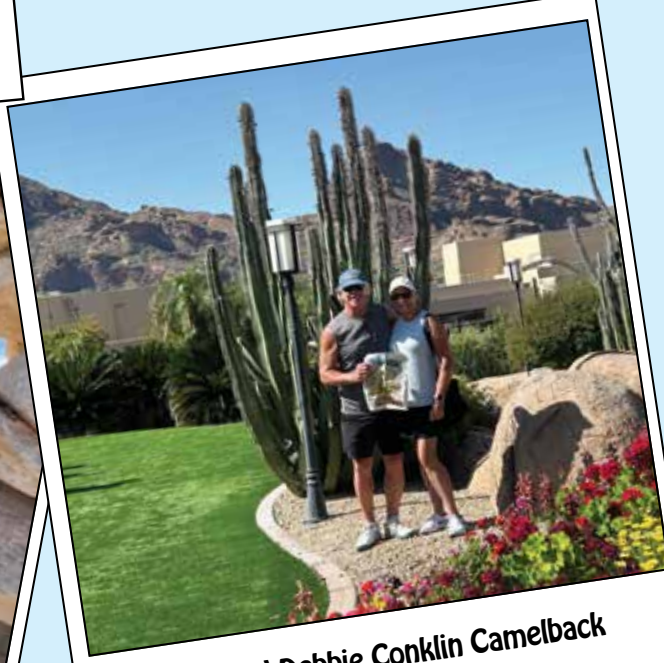
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# Folly Beach 2.0

Beach renourishment is a vital project to battle beach erosion

by Jenny Peterson | Current Staff Writer

Each renourishment is the “adding of sediment onto or directly adjacent to an eroding beach.” The large construction vehicles on the beach hope to keep Folly Beach intact. This is especially important as the NOAA predicts above-normal 2024 Atlantic hurricane season.

Since 1930, Congress authorized the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to play a role in shore protection. During the 1950s, construction began on the first 18 federal shore protection projects, most of them involving beach nourishment. The Corps has constructed 87 major shore protection projects, most on the Atlantic coastline. Projects are generally federally funded by and planned by the Army Corps of Engineers using existing sand either offshore or from other local areas.

The last time Folly Beach had a renourishment was 2018. This current \$18 million renourishment is 100 percent funded by the federal government. It started in the spring and expected to end in September (a roughly six-month project) with crews working all day and night and areas of the beach are closed off as construction crews work on specific areas at a time. In July, crews were working around the area of third street East, after starting on the far West End of Folly Beach at the County Park and slowly marching east.

The *Folly Current* spoke with Wes Wilson, Project Manager for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Charleston District, about how the renourishment is going.

**FOLLY CURRENT: As of July 1, 2024, how many miles and cubic yards of beach will have had renourishment? How many more miles to go?**

**Wes Wilson:** As of June 27, 2024, 900,000 cubic yards, equivalent to 90,000 dump trucks of material, has been placed over three miles. Two miles of beach are left to renourish.

**FC: In areas that are already renourished, what does the beach look like? Is someone monitoring how well it's doing?**

**WW:** The beach in completed areas is wider, taller and has fresh sand. The beach extends further out into the water than before and the dunes are taller, reducing the risk of storm surge to life and infrastructure behind the dunes. Quality assurance specialist from the contractor and US Army Corps of Engineers take sand samples of the renourished beach every 500 feet. These samples are sent off for testing to ensure the sand is compatible with the existing beach. The City of Folly Beach monitors the beach on an annual basis through surveys and periodic inspections.

**FC: Is the target completion date still September 2024?**

**WW:** Yes, we are still on track to complete the project by peak hurricane season.

**FC: Will there be any holidays taken?**

**WW:** The contractor will likely limit operations during the 4th of July. During this time, the sections that are closed for construction will remain closed as to not disturb the work. We do not know exactly where the contractor will be on the holiday as mechanical and weather delays can cause a section to take longer than anticipated. The best way for people to find what sections are closed is to visit our construction tracker at [www.sac.usace.army.mil](http://www.sac.usace.army.mil). The tracker is updated every morning and is the best way to find the current location of the renourishment.

**FC: Is construction happening at night for heat purposes or to get the project done as soon as possible? What are some ways you are working to protect sea turtles and nests?**

**WW:** Construction is taking place 24/7 to ensure the project is completed by peak hurricane season and to minimize the time sections are closed to the public. Sea turtle



monitors working for the contractor routinely observe the beach for any sea turtles or nests. The monitors will move nests to a safe location if they are determined to be in the project's path.

**Have there been any hiccups or unexpected challenges with the work so far? Or has it been easier or smoother than expected?**

**WW:** The work is going great and has been progressing as planned. The beach is on track to be fully renourished by peak hurricane season, which is the target deadline. Dredging material from the Folly River is a much less expensive and complicated process then utilizing an offshore borrow area, which saves time and money.

**How are you getting the sand from the Folly River onto the beach? What is the method of transportation?**

**WW:** The sand is pumped through pipes from a dredge in the Folly River. The pipes run directly from the dredge onto the beach on the southern portion of Folly through the County Park. For the northern portion of Folly, the pipe is submerged offshore and booster pumps allow the sand to travel long distances. The submerged pipe runs up onto the shore and then along the beach until reaching the active construction area, where the material is deposited.

**How many workers are working on the project total?**

**WW:** Between the two contractors, Gator Dredging and Marinex Dredging, the number of workers range between 25-50. This includes workers on the beach, dredge crews, subcontractor surveyors, monitors, safety officers and more.



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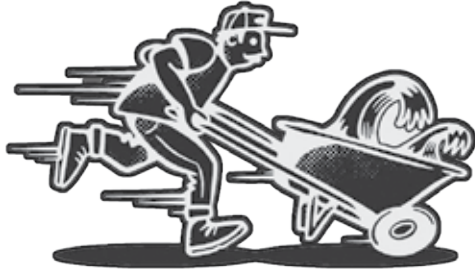
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# Charleston County Parks Receives Off-Road Wheelchair for use at Folly Beach County Park

from Staff reports



In June, nonprofit organization Waymaker Offroad Wheelchairs donated an all-terrain wheelchair to the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission (CCPRC). The chair is available for reservation on a first-come, first-served basis at Folly Beach County Park.

The Waymaker chair is a Nomad All-Terrain electric powered chair that allows the user to navigate the sand and other areas of the beach park. Guests can reserve Folly Beach County Park's off-road wheelchair on the Waymaker website at: <https://www.waymakeroffroadwheelchairs.com/folly-beach>.

"CCPRC is thrilled to partner with Waymaker Offroad Wheelchairs to provide a powered, all-terrain beach wheelchair available at Folly Beach County Park," said Steve Hutton, CCPRC's chief operating officer and ADA coordinator. "This new chair will allow customers with mobility impairments to access the beach independently. Improving accessibility throughout our park system is one of our core values, and the addition of this Nomad All-Terrain powered wheelchair helps us meet that goal and continue to better serve our visitors with disabilities."

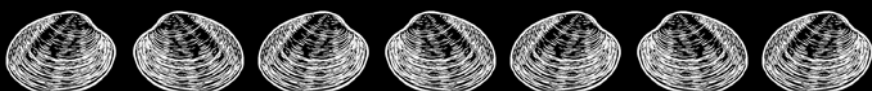
Based in Hartsville, SC, Waymaker Offroad Wheelchairs is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping people with mobility impairments enjoy outdoor experiences with independence. The organization provides free access to all-terrain wheelchairs at various state parks and other locations throughout South Carolina. Waymaker donated the chair free of charge to CCPRC so that beachgoers could use it at Folly Beach

County Park. For more information on the organization and other sites with chairs available for use, visit their website at [waymakeroffroadwheelchairs.com](http://waymakeroffroadwheelchairs.com).

Reservations for the Waymaker chair are on a first-come, first-served basis. CCPRC recommends that guests reserving the chair do so in advance and arrive early to the park on the day of their reservation, as beach parking may reach capacity on weekends and holidays during the peak season. After making their online reservation and completing an online video training on use of the chair, guests should show their confirmation email at the park office to pick up the chair. Chair reservations do not include park admission fees.

Folly Beach County Park is currently the only CCPRC park with a Waymaker off-road wheelchair. However, standard TerraWheels beach wheelchairs are also available for checkout at all CCPRC beach parks: Isle of Palms County Park, Kiawah Beachwalker Park, the Folly Beach Pier and at Folly Beach County Park. These beach wheelchairs were purchased in Spring 2024 through a grant from the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation. They may be checked out in person by visiting the park office upon arrival.

**For more information on accessibility at Folly Beach County Park, visit <https://www.ccprc.com/3752/Accessibility-in-the-Park>. Also visit Charleston County Parks' accessibility webpage at [www.ccprc.com/ADA](http://www.ccprc.com/ADA). For hours and contact information for the parks, please visit [CharlestonCountyParks.com](http://CharlestonCountyParks.com).**



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# 100 Years Young

Folly Beach gains another centenarian as Forrest Neely hits the century mark

by Jenny Peterson | Current Staff Writer

“I don’t feel 100,” Forrest said. “I feel as good as I did when I was 40 or 50 years old.”

Forrest joins a special group of centenarians who have reached 100 years of age (or close to it) living on Folly Beach. The Folly Beach United Methodist Church held a surprise celebration following service on June 2.

“We went to church just like usual and the preacher said there was a gathering in the fellowship hall—he didn’t say it was a party. I looked at my daughter and said, ‘You want to go to that?’” Forrest recalls with a laugh. “There were all these tables set up with food and tablecloths and the whole bit. They sat

me in a big chair that was fixed up and they had a bunch of pictures of me from World War II and other places.”

Neely has had an esteemed life and career and he counts himself lucky that he had a wonderful wife and great children to spend it with. Despite his age, his mind is still sharp as a tack.

In 1958, when he was 34 years old, Forrest Neely built a beach house on Folly Beach because his wife and daughter were beach lovers. The family lived on James Island and spent summers on the beach.

“We just loved it down here and moved to the beach when school was out,” Forrest said.



Forrest, who was motivated by the bombing of Pearl Harbor at age 19 to become a naval pilot during World War II, eventually had a career as a home builder and built more than 70 homes in Aiken, SC and the Lowcountry. He took a job as the building inspector on Folly Beach in the early aughts. With his best friend Marvin Estridge, he started Folly Beach’s first beach rescue squad.

Forrest moved to Athens, Georgia for a stint but always kept the Folly Beach house he built—plus another house he purchased at a foreclosure auction in the 1960s for around \$12,000—and his ties to the community remained.

His daughter, Mitzi Neely, moved into

the original beach house that got several additions and renovations over the years. Forrest moved in with her full-time in 2019 and said he’s having a blast on the beach. He received countless birthday cards for this epic milestone and celebrated with five birthday parties in both the Lowcountry and Georgia.

“We’re still recovering from all these parties,” Mitzi said.

“Everybody I’ve met down here is so nice. I love everybody,” Forrest said. “Every day I cook breakfast and most of the time I cook supper. It’s nice to be able to sit in an easy chair and watch TV. I’m having a ball.”



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a license plate and was not in working condition. A bike ramp was also missing from the yard. The case is ongoing.

#### JUNE 1 FIGHTING

Officers were called to Center Street at 6 p.m. after reports of two men in a physical altercation which may have stemmed from one man hitting another man's dog with a piece of a metal fence. Officers arrived on scene and multiple bystanders identified the men, who were walking in separate directions down Center Street (many of the bystanders had filmed the altercation). Bystanders said one man, 63, had been hitting the other 30-year-old man's dog with a piece of a fence when the two men began fighting in the street. Both men's stories were contradictory with one another. The dog bit the 63-year-old man and the dog also bit a responding officer in the arm. The dog was taken to animal control headquarters until the owner could verify its rabies vaccinations were up to date. Both men were arrested for disorderly conduct.

#### JUNE 2 PUBLIC INTOXICATION AND LOITERING

Around 4:15 a.m., officers were called to a home on Arctic Avenue after the residents said an unknown man was attempting to enter a code onto the keypad and gain access. Officers observed the man to be intoxicated with glassy eyes and a smell of alcohol coming off his person. The 40-year-old man was not wearing pants and it appeared he urinated on himself and urinated on the welcome mat at the front door. Officers were unable to learn the proper residence where the man was staying. He was arrested for public intoxication and loitering.

#### JUNE 4 PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Around 2 a.m., officers were called about a man sleeping on the corner of Center Street and East Cooper Avenue. It took several attempts to wake him up. The Mississippi man had glassy, bloodshot eyes and a heavy odor alcohol on his breath. Officers requested EMS to evaluate the man, who was initially uncooperative but was eventually medically cleared and refused further medical attention. He had no phone in his possession and was unable to contact any sober party to take custody. He was arrested for public intoxication.

#### JUNE 6 RECKLESS DRIVING

Officers on patrol at 12:30 p.m. observed a

driver on a black motorcycle run a red light. The driver began to elude police and failed to stop for the blue lights and continued driving at speeds of 100 mph, making several unsafe lane changes on Folly Road. Officers further down Folly Road observed the man continuing speeds of roughly 100 mph. Officers made the decision not to continue the pursuit due to preserving the general safety of the public. Officers ran the license plate number and were able to obtain the registered owner's name and positively identify him based on his physical characteristics—his height and weight along with visible tattoos—seen on dash cameras and traffic cameras that matched his driver's license. They also checked him out on social media, with the man's name matching the appearance of the suspected offender. Warrants were pending for the man's arrest. According to the Charleston County Sheriff's Office, the 31-year-old was formally arrested on June 14 for failure to stop for blue lights and reckless driving.

#### JUNE 9 VEHICLE BLOCKING ROADWAY

Officers were called around 3:15 p.m. about a parked vehicle blocking the roadway on West Ashley Avenue. The SUV with an Oklahoma license plate was parked with both left tires well over the solid white line and as a result, traffic had backed up more than a block as vehicles could not drive past the parked vehicle without driving in the opposite lane of traffic. The driver was not present and could not be located and the vehicle was towed in order to restore the normal flow of traffic.

#### JUNE 13 DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Officers on patrol noticed a man on a pool deck of a local condominium complex at 10 p.m., after closing hours. The man asked officers for a ride. When officers said they were unable to give him a ride, they saw him unsteady on his feet and saw him walk up to a few people who were leaving the complex. The people appeared "uncomfortable" being approached by him. Officers asked the man if he was staying at the complex and he said no, that he was not staying anywhere and he was just dropped off by a rehab facility from downtown Charleston. Officers observed an odor of alcohol coming from his breath and person and saw an open can of an alcoholic hard seltzer beverage coming out of the top of his backpack. He was arrested for public intoxication.

#### JUNE 13 PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Just after midnight, officers were

dispatched to a Center Street bar about complaints of an unruly male customers who was heavily intoxicated and causing a disturbance. The bar manager said the man was cursing at patrons and was asked to leave several times. The manager said the man went across the street and continued to harass patrons. Officers found the man walking on foot nearby, "stumbling down the road and unsteady on his feet with decreased motor skills, glassy, bloodshot eyes, slurred speech and a heavy smell of alcohol coming from his person." The 33-year-old was arrested for public intoxication, and it was revealed that he had an active bench warrant with the Folly Beach Public Safety for public intoxication for a previous incident.

#### JUNE 16 WARRANT ARREST

Officers on patrol at around 6 a.m. observed a black pickup truck on Folly Road traveling a high rate of speed. Officers confirmed the speed of the truck to be 59 mph in a 35-mph-zone. Officers stopped the truck and caught up to the speeding vehicle. The 36-year-old North Carolina man said he did not have his license on him but gave his name and date of birth. Dispatch learned that there was a warrant out for his arrest from North Myrtle Beach. The man was placed under arrest for the outstanding warrant, and he was also issued a citation for speeding.

#### JUNE 16 HIT AND RUN

Officers were dispatched around 5 p.m. for a man seen doing donuts in the gravel parking lot in a golf cart with a female passenger. The golf cart struck a sedan, and the driver sped off. Officers spoke with a manager of a nearby business, who attempted to flag down the driver as he was fleeing the scene. Officers observed significant front-end damage to the vehicle that was struck. Officers began searching for the golf cart and were able to find the contact information for the person who rented the car. The renter was called and instructed her to return to the scene with her male friend who was driving. According to witnesses, they both came back to the scene later, and the Georgia man was identified, and he admitted to crashing into a vehicle and said he was going to come back to the scene. Based on the visible donut markings in the gravel and damage to the vehicle, he was charged with careless operation of a vehicle. He was cited, and released.

#### MAY 27 DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Officers were called to a local bar around 5 p.m. in regards to a man arguing and making threats to "shoot up the place" after he was asked to leave. By the time officers arrived, the man had left the scene. Officers searched the area and found a 25-year-old man walking away from the location matching his description with no shirt and a towel around his waist. The Utah man was noncompliant, pulling away from officers and had a strong odor of alcohol coming from his breath, glassy bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. He was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct.

#### MAY 27 POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

Around 11:45 p.m., officers on patrol noticed a vehicle making a right-hand turn without functioning tag lights and after a reasonable search of the vehicle eventually arrested a 19-year-old female passenger for possession of a controlled substance after officers found Xanax pills in a plastic baggie not labeled and for which she had no apparent prescription. There were additional unmarked pills in a backpack belonging to the driver along with a school ID. Officers found two blunt-type drug paraphernalia and a number of nicotine vapes in the vehicle and noted in the report that no one in the vehicle was of age to have purchased vapes.

#### JUNE 1 THEFT

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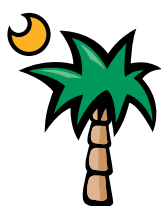
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# A Real Joy Ride

Progressive indie rock band Five Door Sedan pulls up to The Bounty Bar stage on July 26

by Lorne Chambers | Editor

While sports cars are known for their speed and trucks are built for their ruggedness, a sedan is in a class all by itself. Spacious, powerful, and above all, comfortable. So, it seems fitting that veteran singer/songwriter Dakota Muckey's newest musical vehicle is named Five Door Sedan, because it's both luxurious and stylish. If you choose to come along for a ride, you'll quickly find yourself sinking into the plushness of the textured progressive indie rock grooves and then you'll be surprised by its power as it turns on a dime and hits a whole other gear with soaring solos and blistering jams.

Although Muckey has been playing professionally since he was a teenager, he says this last year has been among the hardest. He's hit the road touring, recording music, and just living that musician's dream.

"This is definitely the most we've ever toured, most we've been on the road, craziest time as a band," he says. "But we're making new relationships with bands and venues and gaining fans."

At the time the Folly Current caught up with the busy musician, who often gigs solo and with the full quartet, he and the rest of the band were loading into The Camel, a revered rock club in Richmond, VA, before hitting the road to return to Charleston to play The Songwriters' Soapbox at Chico Feo on Folly Beach the following night. In June alone, Five Door Sedan played shows from the Gulf Coast of Florida all the way to the middle of nowhere Pennsylvania.

Muckey was pleasantly surprised when they played the small town of Birdsboro, PA that not only did lots of people turn out to hear them play, but there were large groups of folks singing along with them. He says they're still figuring out where their fanbase is located, outside of their current home base of Charleston and Muckey's hometown of Indianapolis, IN.

"Our biggest markets are Charleston and Indianapolis, of course, but we're also finding an audience in Boone, NC, Atlanta, and Athens, and starting to find a market in Raleigh," says Muckey, who ended up moving to Charleston kind of by mistake. But he has certainly found a home here and the city seems to have taken a shine to him and his style.

In 2021, in the middle of the pandemic, Muckey says he left Indianapolis and moved to Colorado. But for whatever reason, he and the Centennial State did not see eye-to-eye and he ended up moving back to Indiana, buying an RV, and living on a farm. But then winter hit and it got cold and



Five Door Sedan plays Friday, July 26 at The Bounty Bar, located at 15 Center St. For more information, call (843) 633-0355 or visit [www.thebountybar.com](http://www.thebountybar.com).

Muckey pointed his home on wheels south toward Florida. Along the way, he made a pitstop to play a Barn Jam at Awendaw Green and ended up parking his RV there for a bit. After about nine months of living there, he started bouncing around between Charleston and Indiana. Eventually, Muckey sold his RV and found a new home and a new ride ... you might say it was a Five Door Sedan.

*Okay, Okay, we've run with this automobile analogy about as far it will go, so let's leave it parked right here and talk about the band.*

Besides Muckey, Five Door Sedan's current lineup includes William Sanders, Bradley Palles, and Kwame Newton. Even though they have been burning up the road for the last several months and showing no sign of slowing down, they're also in the process of recording an album. In fact, most of the tracks are already laid as they carve out time to put the finishing touches on them. They're currently slowly leaking out singles every three weeks online until the album is officially out, which Muckey says should be in the fall of this year. He says there are 10 original songs on the album, many of which they are currently playing live on tour.

While no strangers to Folly Beach, Five Door Sedan will make their Bounty Bar debut on Friday, July 26 and then head downtown to play Bounty's big sister The Royal American the following night.



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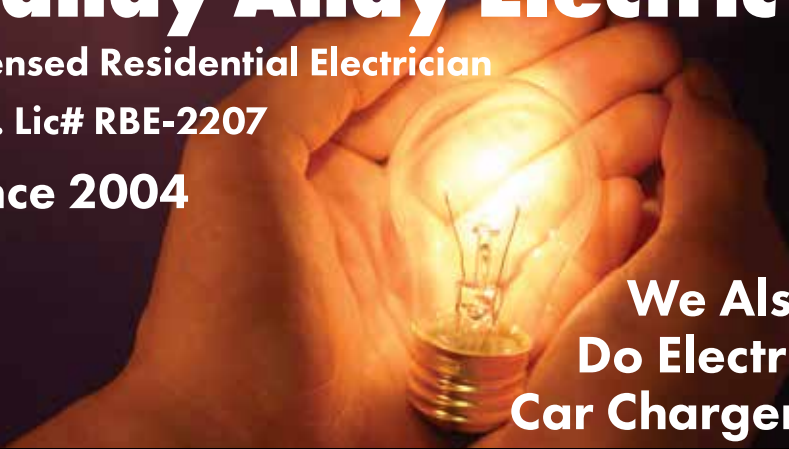
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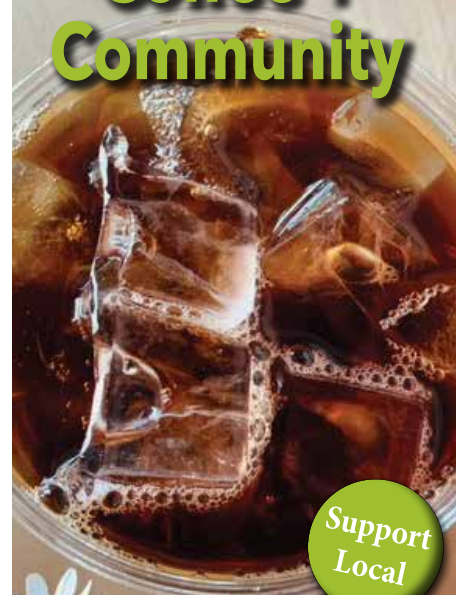
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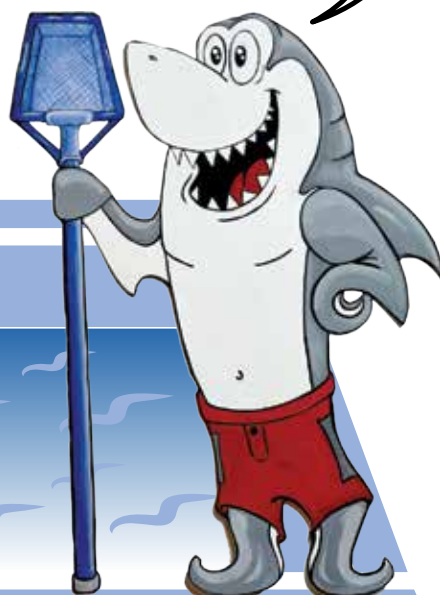
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Planet Follywood: 7pm Bingo  
Rita's: 6-9pm Sufferin' Moses

**TUESDAY, JULY 2**

Chico Feo: 6:30-9pm Johnny Holiday  
Drop In Deli: 9pm until Honky Tonk  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Brandon Simmons  
Planet Follywood: 8pm Kevin West  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 3**

Crab Shack: 6-9pm Ronnie Johnson  
Drop In Deli: 8pm Trivia  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Spud Fischer  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mike Martin Band  
Rita's: 6-9pm George Fox  
The Washout: 6-9pm Live Music

**Thursday, July 4**

Chico Feo: 4pm Paint with a Buzz; 6:30-7:30pm Folly Bluegrass Society  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Karaoke  
Crab Shack: 7-10pm Island Duo  
Drop In Deli: 10pm-1am Stratton Moore & Friends  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Bender Funk  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Karaoke  
Rita's: 6-9pm Super Reggae Man  
The Washout: 7-10pm Hollifield Band

**FRIDAY, JULY 5**

Blu: 6-9pm Liam Murphy  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Folly Bubl e  
Chico Feo: Pleasure Chest Pencil  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Jerry Feels Good  
Crab Shack: 8-11pm Calhoun's Calling  
Loggerhead's: 6-9pm Shane Clark; 9-11pm DJ Lotis  
Pier 101: 4-7pm Bubba Bryant  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Kevin West  
Rita's: 6-9pm Thomas Champagne  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am Fancy Pants  
The Washout: 8-11pm Live Music

**Saturday, July 6**

Blu: 2-5pm Super Reggae Man; 6-9pm Danny May  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Reverse Cowgirl - Johnny Holliday's Birthday Bash  
Chico Feo: Pleasure Chest Pencil  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm John Rosenblum

Crab Shack: 7-10pm Ronnie Johnson  
Loggerhead's: 2-5pm Calhoun's Calling; 7-10pm Shane Clark  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Liam Murphy; 6-9pm Chad Ligon  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Shakin' Martini's  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am Fancy Pants  
The Washout: 8-11pm Weigh Station

**SUNDAY, JULY 7**

Blu: 1-4pm Robert C  
Bounty Bar: 9pm Sunday Sessions  
Chico Feo: 4:30-5:30pm Strat Cat & Friends  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm DJ Fre4K; 7-10pm Comedy Night on the rooftop  
Crab Shack: 1-4pm Dave Grunstra  
Loggerhead's: 3-6pm DJ Lotis; 7-10pm Seitu Solomon  
Pier 101: 1-4pm Lola Grace  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Kevin West  
Rita's: 6-9pm David Sink  
The Washout: 6pm until Reggae

**MONDAY, JULY 8**

Chico Feo: 6pm Songwriter's Soap-box w/ George Fox  
Crab Shack: 6-9pm Sam Rae  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Jaykob Kendrick  
Planet Follywood: 7pm Bingo  
Rita's: 6-9pm Sufferin' Moses

**Tuesday, July 9**

Chico Feo: 6:30-9pm Johnny Holiday  
Drop In Deli: 9pm until Honky Tonk  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Brandon Simmons  
Planet Follywood: 8pm Pernell McDaniel  
Rita's: 6-9pm Weigh Station

**Wednesday, July 10**

Crab Shack: 6-9pm Ronnie Johnson  
Drop In Deli: 8pm Trivia  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Spud Fischer  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mike Martin Band  
Rita's: 6-9pm Krystal  
The Washout: 6-9pm Live Music

**Thursday, July 11**

Chico Feo: 4pm Paint with a Buzz; 6:30-7:30pm Folly Bluegrass Society  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Karaoke  
Crab Shack: 7-10pm Island Duo  
Drop In Deli: 10pm-1am Stratton Moore & Friends  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Bender Funk

Planet Follywood: 9pm Karaoke  
Rita's: 6-9pm Super Reggae Man  
The Washout: 7-10pm Live Music

**FRIDAY, JULY 12**

Blu: 6-9pm Rotie Salley  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Tom Crowley & The Speakers  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Huntley  
Crab Shack: 8-11pm Calhoun's Calling  
Loggerhead's: 6-9pm Shane Clark; 9-11pm DJ Lotis  
Pier 101: 4-7pm Eric Vaughn  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Piano D Dave  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am The Dead Beat Club  
The Washout: 8-11pm Live Music

**SATURDAY, JULY 13**

Blu: 1-4pm Relay Relay; 6-9pm Matt Mackelcan  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Sounds of Black-Fox  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm Quentin; 7-10pm Doug Walters  
Crab Shack: 7-10pm Ronnie Johnson  
Loggerhead's: 2-5pm Calhoun's Calling; 7-10pm Shane Clark  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Liam Murphy; 6-9pm Eric Vaughn  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Travelin' Kine Duo  
Rita's: 6-9pm Gracie  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am The Dead Beat Club  
The Washout: 8-11pm Reverse Cowgirl

**SUNDAY, JULY 14**

Blu: 1-4pm Bubba Bryan  
Bounty Bar: 9pm Sunday Sessions  
Chico Feo: 4:30-5:30pm Strat Cat & Friends  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm Huntley; 7-10pm Comedy Night on the rooftop  
Crab Shack: 1-4pm Dave Grunstra  
Loggerhead's: 3-6pm DJ Lotis; 7-10pm Seitu Solomon  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Relay Relay  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mac Calhoun  
Rita's: 6-9pm Lola Grace  
The Washout: 6pm until Reggae

**MONDAY, JULY 15**

Chico Feo: 6pm Songwriter's Soap-box w/ George Fox  
Crab Shack: 6-9pm Sam Rae  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Donnie Polk  
Planet Follywood: 7pm Bingo  
Rita's: 6-9pm Sufferin' Moses

**TUESDAY, JULY 16**

Chico Feo: 6:30-9pm Johnny Holiday  
Drop In Deli: 9pm until Honky Tonk  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Brandon Simmons  
Planet Follywood: 8pm Pernell McDaniel  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 17**

Crab Shack: 6-9pm Ronnie Johnson  
Drop In Deli: 8pm Trivia  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Spud Fischer  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mike Martin Band  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA  
The Washout: 6-9pm Live Music

**THURSDAY, JULY 18**

Chico Feo: 4pm Paint with a Buzz; 6:30-7:30pm Folly Bluegrass Society  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Karaoke

Crab Shack: 7-10pm Island Duo  
Drop In Deli: 10pm-1am Stratton Moore & Friends  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Bender Funk  
Planet Follywood: 9pm Karaoke  
Rita's: 6-9pm Super Reggae Man  
The Washout: 7-10pm Johnny Holliday

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

Blu: 6-9pm Danny May  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Jordan Igoe & Friends  
Coconut Joe's: 8-11pm Silent Disco on the rooftop  
Crab Shack: 8-11pm Calhoun's Calling  
Loggerhead's: 6-9pm Shane Clark; 9-11pm DJ Lotis  
Pier 101: 4-7pm Chad Ligon  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am TBA  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am Fat Alice  
The Washout: 8-11pm Green Thieves

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

Blu: 2-5pm Super Reggae Man; 6-9pm Liam Murphy  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Moon Dogs  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm April Renee; 7-10pm John Rosenblum  
Crab Shack: 7-10pm Ronnie Johnson  
Loggerhead's: 2-5pm Rob Alvarez; 7-10pm Shane Clark  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Return of the Mac; 6-9pm Michael Duff  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Long-shot Gamble  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am Fat Alice  
The Washout: 8-11pm Bender Funk

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

Blu: 1-4pm Lola Grace  
Bounty Bar: 9pm Sunday Sessions  
Chico Feo: 4:30-5:30pm Strat Cat & Friends  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm Jerry For-ester  
Crab Shack: 1-4pm Dave Grunstra; 7-10pm Shakin' Martinis  
Loggerhead's: 3-6pm DJ Lotis; 7-10pm Seitu Solomon  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Bubba Bryant  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Whitney Hanna & Jeff Caldwell  
Rita's: 6-9pm David Sink  
The Washout: 6pm until Reggae

**MONDAY, JULY 22**

Chico Feo: 6pm Songwriter's Soap-box w/ George Fox  
Crab Shack: 6-9pm Sam Rae  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Jaykob Kendrick  
Planet Follywood: 7pm Bingo  
Rita's: 6-9pm Sufferin' Moses

**TUESDAY, JULY 23**

Chico Feo: 6:30-9pm Johnny Holiday  
Drop In Deli: 9pm until Honky Tonk  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Brandon Simmons  
Planet Follywood: 8pm Pernell McDaniel  
Rita's: 6-9pm Gracie

**Wednesday, July 24**

Crab Shack: 6-9pm Ronnie Johnson  
Drop In Deli: 8pm Trivia  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Spud Fischer  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mike Martin Band  
Rita's: 6-9pm Krystal  
The Washout: 6-9pm Live Music

**THURSDAY, JULY 25**

Chico Feo: 4pm Paint with a Buzz; 6:30-7:30pm Folly Bluegrass Society  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Karaoke  
Crab Shack: 7-10pm Island Duo  
Drop In Deli: 10pm-1am Stratton Moore & Friends  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Bender Funk  
Planet Follywood: 9pm Karaoke  
Rita's: 6-9pm Super Reggae Man  
The Washout: 7-10pm Live Music

**FRIDAY, JULY 26**

Blu: 6-9pm Rotie Salley  
Bounty Bar: 10pm Five Door Sedan  
Coconut Joe's: 7-10pm Kate Vera  
Crab Shack: 8-11pm Calhoun's Calling  
Loggerhead's: 6-9pm Shane Clark; 9-11pm DJ Lotis  
Pier 101: 4-7pm Bubba Bryant  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Thomas Champagne  
Rita's: 6-9pm Gracious Day  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am Fuze Box  
The Washout: 8-11pm High Water Honky

**SATURDAY, JULY 27**

Blu: 1-4pm Johnny Holliday  
Bounty Bar: 10pm The Mammoths  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm April Renee; 7-10pm Sean Ryan Smith  
Crab Shack: 7-10pm Ronnie Johnson  
Loggerhead's: 2-5pm Calhoun's Calling; 7-10pm Shane Clark  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Return of the Mac  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Hans + D  
Rita's: 6-9pm TBA  
Sand Dollar: 10pm-1am Fuze Box  
The Washout: 8-11pm Live Music

**Sunday, July 28**

Bounty Bar: 9pm Sunday Sessions  
Chico Feo: 4:30-5:30pm Strat Cat & Friends  
Coconut Joe's: 12-3pm Quentin; Comedy Night on the rooftop  
Crab Shack: 1-4pm Dave Grunstra  
Loggerhead's: 3-6pm DJ Lotis; 7-10pm Seitu Solomon  
Pier 101: 2-5pm Nathan Calhoun  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mac Calhoun  
Rita's: 6-9pm Shane Clark  
The Washout: 6pm until Reggae

**MONDAY, JULY 29**

Chico Feo: 6pm Songwriter's Soap-box w/ George Fox  
Crab Shack: 6-9pm Sam Rae  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Donnie Polk  
Planet Follywood: 7pm Bingo  
Rita's: 6-9pm Sufferin' Moses

**TUESDAY, July 30**

Chico Feo: 6:30-9pm Johnny Holiday  
Drop In Deli: 9pm until Honky Tonk  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Brandon Simmons  
Planet Follywood: 8pm Pernell McDaniel  
Rita's: 6-9pm George Fox

**WEDNESDAY, July 31**

Crab Shack: 6-9pm Ronnie Johnson  
Drop In Deli: 8pm Trivia  
Loggerhead's: 7-10pm Spud Fischer  
Planet Follywood: 9pm-12am Mike Martin Band  
Rita's: 6-9pm Kenley Young  
The Washout: 6-9pm Live Music

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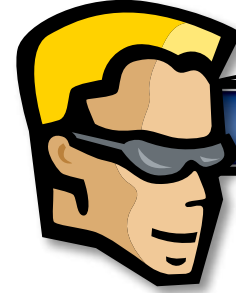
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# FOLLY TOUR de FRANKS

## Three hotdog connoisseurs set out to try every glizzy on Folly Beach over the course of one afternoon

by Lorne Chambers | Editor



Bert's Market's Famous .75 Hotdog



Bounty Bar's Grilled Chili Dog



Rita's Seaside Grille's Steak Dog

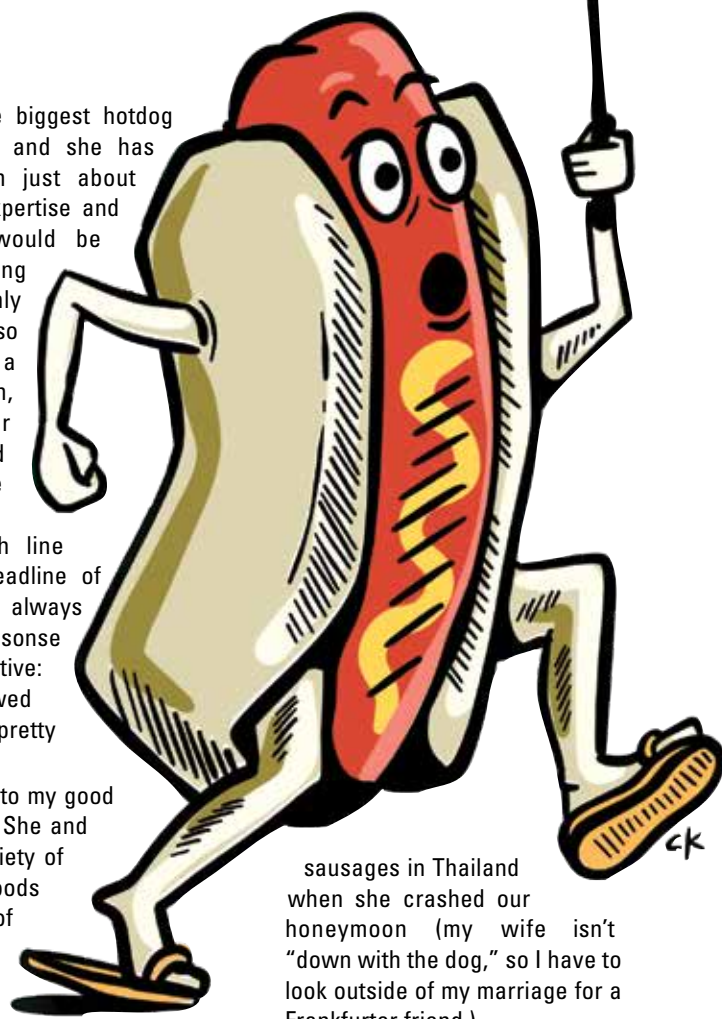
The Tour de France is officially underway. For 21 days, 22 teams made up of eight riders each will travel 2,235 miles across two countries, going over the Italian and French Alps, and the Massif Central and Pyrenees mountain ranges. In the cycling world, it's the ultimate test of endurance and strength. Another amazing feat of physical prowess also happens this month on Coney Island when The Nathan's Famous International Hot Dog Eating Contest takes place on Wednesday, July 4. Of course, your uncle will likely be trying to clock his own P.R. (personal record) at the backyard cookout as he guzzles as many glizzies and Natural Lights as he can before he passes out or has to be rushed to the ER.

In honor of these magnificent feats of strength and glorious displays of American gluttony, I set out to tackle an admittedly far-less arduous (but no-less daunting) challenge. I've dubbed it the Folly Tour de Franks. My goal was simple: Traverse the island—not by bike, but on a golf cart—and consume every hot diggity dog Folly Beach restaurants had to offer.

Much like the riders in the Tour de France, I needed to enlist some teammates for this Herculean task. So, my first call was to my good friend, local resident and former Folly Current contributor Katie Wells. I've probably eaten more hotdogs with Katie than with anyone else on the planet. She's the only one who will split a corndog basket with me at Gene's Haufbrau without hesitation. Corndogs are what Katie calls "Hotdog-adjacent" (HDA), and for the sake of this challenge, we did not tackle HDAs.

Katie is truly the biggest hotdog enthusiast I know, and she has strong opinions on just about anything. So her expertise and evaluation skills would be invaluable in grading these glizzies. The only problem is she's also a vice president at a global corporation, so I knew her availability could be questionable with precious time to cross the finish line before the print deadline of the July issue. But always a gamer, Katie's response was quick and definitive: "Heck yeah!" Followed up by a "Wow. I'm pretty stoked!" text.

My next call was to my good friend Lindsey Pew. She and I have shared a variety of hotdog and HDA foods from different parts of the world, including a bratwurst in München during Oktoberfest. We also tried the very unique and strange "Puka Dog" in Hawaii at the very place Anthony Bourdain patronized during an episode of No Reservations. Lindsey was not a fan of that one, but she did get engaged on that trip, so Hawaii wasn't a total loss. A year later, we shared some suspicious



sausages in Thailand when she crashed our honeymoon (my wife isn't "down with the dog," so I have to look outside of my marriage for a Frankfurter friend.)

I knew Lindsey, who once won the Taste of Folly Chili Cook-off, would be totally down for downing some dogs. But there was only one major obstacle — she moved from Charleston and now lives in Hawaii. Believe it or not, The Folly Current did not

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Planet Follywood's Hot Dog Basket



Lost Dog's Good Dog, Good Dog



Circle K's Jalepeño Cheddar Dog

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have enough money in it's discretionary fund to fly her in for this event. I guess being a monthly newspaper publisher in the 21st century doesn't come with all the glamour and riches it used to. I bet William Randolph Hearst could have eaten a hotdog on top of the Eiffel Tower with the Prince of Monaco if he so desired. Actually, I don't know if that's true. I'm not even sure Mr. Hearst was a connoisseur of encased meats, but I do know he had an affinity for wiener dogs. He bred Dachshunds at his estate in California.

Luckily for us, Lindsey was already planning to be back in Charleston the last week of June. The stars were aligning. She accepted my challenge, and the Folly Tour de Franks team was set! We even brought in Lindsey's former neighbor Erin Abagnale as a alternate, in case someone had to tap out before crossing the finish line at Bert's Market.

We assembled on Center Street around noon on Monday, June 24, loaded into the golf cart, and headed out for the afternoon.

On the way, we talked about our favorite hotdogs. For me it was either eating a true Chicago Dog at Wrigley Field or my first foot-long hot dog on the Boardwalk in Myrtle Beach at the same spot my dad would eat them when he was stationed there in the Air Force decades earlier.

Katie said that all of her best hotdog memories were on Folly, whether it was grilling them out on her screened porch on warm summer nights at her old house across from Low Life (before Low Life was there) or late-nights at Bert's Market. We even talked about the short-lived hot dog cart that used to be set up outside the old Folly Brew Pub (now Jack of Cups) on the weekend. "Every time I think about hot dogs, I think of Folly," she said.

For Lindsey, her favorite hot dog memory is from the small hotdog stand near her home in Kailua, Hawaii that she and her husband sometimes hit up after a night at their favorite watering hole.

"When you get it, it's like striking gold. Garlic sauce, bacon, jalapeños. And on the walk home, it steams in the foil on the way," she said.

After walking down Hotdog Memory Lane, we hashed out a few ground rules. Since there's no such thing as a bad hotdog, we wouldn't be dogging anybody's dog. We would only highlight what we liked and what made each one unique. Since this is a very mature undertaking, we decided we would not eat off of kids' menus. Apologies to Loggerhead's and LoLo's. Also, as we mentioned before, no HDAs, so corndogs were off the table. Apologies to Pier 101 and The Washout, who both have mini-corndogs on their respective menus.

My Tour de Frank teammates began sharing their own personal preferences regarding what makes the perfect hotdog. Katie said she likes a good "snap" when biting down on a dog and steers clear of the cheap, bright pink wieners you sometimes see at the grocery store. I informed her those came from Carolina Pride, which are from my hometown of Greenwood. But I was not offended. I can still smell that factory as my school bus drove past it. Because of that alone, I also avoid the pink ones.

"It has to be a good quality hotdog, but I

don't need my cheese to be fancy," Katie said. "And a carrot is never a hotdog!"

No offense to New York's famed dirty water dogs, but the three of us agreed that a grilled hotdog is king. But a seared hotdog on a flattop or roller can also do the trick.

"I like to have a good char on my hotdog. Char gets me excited," Katie confessed.

The three of us also agreed that mustard is a must, preferably good ol' French's yellow mustard in the squeeze bottle. Save the whole grain and Dijon for other applications. There was some debate on the merits of ketchup on hotdogs, but no one had too strong an opinion.

There was some discussion about the bun. For me, a simple, soft steamed bun holds both my hotdog and my nostalgia in a warm, soft embrace. Lindsey also prefers a softer bun, using a sophisticated scale that gauges this not by feel but by how many crumbs land on her chest when eating.

**LOST DOG CAFÉ**

The Lost Dog Café seemed like the best place to begin. When you have "Dog" in your name, you better have a good dog! And Lost Dog Café does have a good dog! In fact, it's called the "Good Dog, Good Dog" and is just \$7 and served with chips. You can add cheese, onions, Sauerkraut, or relish for a little more. Lost Dog was the only place where sauerkraut was an option and Lindsey and I waxed nostalgic over our German Brat experience from Oktoberfest years ago. Lost Dog was also the only place where you could opt to add their New Mexico-style green chili on top. It's not traditional, but it's a unique twist. The Boar's Head all-beef hotdog had a nice snap that held up well to the chili.

"It's a good dog by itself. Best bun to chili ratio that you could have. That's not the chili I would expect on a dog, but I like it," said Lindsey.

"I really like the bun here. I enjoy the softness of a buttery pillowy bun. Top-notch bun," said Katie. "And a strong snap on the wiener."

**RITA'S SEASIDE GRILLE**

Before we got too full, we decided to hit up Rita's Seaside Grille next. We were right in assuming Rita's "Steak Dog" was going to be the most filling of the day. It's a quarter-pound premium Allen Brothers Prime beef hot dog on an Amoroso bun, served with seasoned fries. What else would you expect from the Hall Management Group, the same people who own Hall's Chophouse?

"I've prob never eaten such a high-end dog," said Katie. "You're not going to be hungry after this." As you might imagine, it was delicious and a complete meal, topped with chili and cheese, red onions on the side. This is no walking dog. But for \$12 it's a really good deal for such a quality frank.

"Smoky is the first thing you get, which is nice" said Lindsey, who also appreciated the crisp pickle spear on the side.

**THE BOUNTY BAR**

We were two dogs in, with four more to go and we were already starting to feel full. But we power onward up Center Street to The Bounty Bar for their "Grilled Chili Dog," which is a Sabrett's all-beef New York City dog, topped with chili, cheese, and onions.

"This is the best hot dog chili so far," Katie



**Folly Tour de Franks team (L-R): Lorne Chambers, Katie Wells, and Lindsey Pew finish strong at Bert's Market**

noted, and I had to agree. It was certainly the most traditional. While Rita's chili had beans and Lost Dog was green pork chili, The Bounty Bar was classic, tangy hot dog chili that complimented the toasty bun and gave it a real backyard cookout feel that is perfect for 4th of July, or any time really.

**PLANET FOLLYWOOD**

The heat of the day and our full bellies started to work in concert to slow our roll, but like true competitors, we battled on, crossing the street to Folly's favorite dive bar, Planet Follywood. Now, I know there are dozens of lists out there about Charleston's best burger. Smash burgers are all the rage right now. I get it. I like them just fine. But for my money, my favorite burger in town is right here at Planet Follywood. I go back and forth between the Garlic Burger and the Cowboy Burger, but both are best with an ice-cold Budweiser and the bustling sounds of summer on Center Street outside.

Because I love the burger here so much, I've never once ordered the Hot Dog Basket at Planet Follywood. Today would be the day. They use Nathan's hot dogs, which are my personal favorite.

"I don't usually like the bun this crusty and the chili is 100-percent canned. But I love the hell out of this hotdog," said Lindsey. "This is exactly what I would expect and want at Planet Follywood." She added that the Nathan's dog provided the best "snap" thus far.

This is beach dive bar grub at its finest and for \$10.95, you get two to an order with a large side of fries. "A great value," said Katie. This was the last of the traditional "restaurants" on our tour. We still had two more spots to go — the Circle K and, of course, Bert's.

**CIRCLE K**

I debated including Circle K on the Tour, but they are a viable option for Folly Hot Dog Hunters. Plus, for the budget-conscious, you

can get any roller dog, a bag of chips, and a medium Polar Ice drink for \$5. While there isn't a lot to say about a gas station glizzy, I did appreciate the options on the toppings, like pickled jalapeños, salsa, onions, and even nacho cheese (if you dared). Plus, the "roller dogs" provided different stuffed options. I used the tongs and snagged a Jalapeño Cheddar dog. It was fine. For me this is road trip fare, not beach fare.

**BERT'S MARKET**

We loaded up the golf cart one last time and headed down East Hudson Avenue toward the famed Bert's Market. On the way, Katie recalled the time she organized a scavenger hunt on her birthday a few years back. One of the things you had to cross off was eating a Bert's hotdog. Bert's and hotdogs have always been synonymous. Not only does the long-time Folly Beach staple host the Hot Dog Eating Contest every year at Taste of Folly, but their dogs are just .75 and always hit the spot.

"You could definitely stop here on your way to the beach for a family-friendly meal," Lindsey said and we all nodded as we topped our last and final dog of the day. I appreciate the soft bun in the streaming tray and topping it with all my faves.

As we got paid for our dogs and walked outside to eat them, we leaned against the mural of Bert with the hook hand and listened to the music from the Songwriter's Soapbox at Chico Feo across the street. Was it the best hot dog I had all day? I don't know. But I think I enjoyed it the most. It was pure nostalgia in a bun, smothered with chili, onions, and mustard. Oh, and relish. Don't forget the relish. Not just the green, pickly stuff either. But the really good stuff, relishing moments like these with friends like these. That's the real relish.

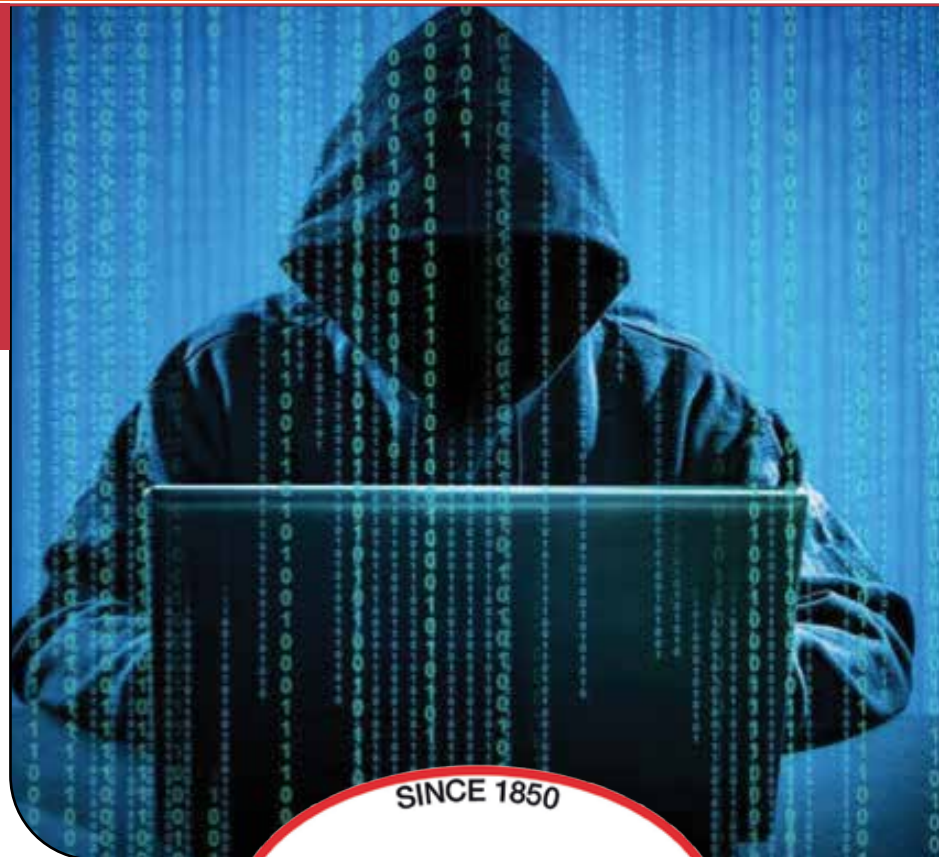
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— Sally Fanjoy, Front of House Manager, Event & Entertainment Coordinator

FAB's Litter Committee is made up of Folly Beach business owners who volunteer their time to help devise solutions to litter-related problems both on the beach and within the business district. This committee collaborates with city entities and the Folly Green Team on actionable strategies to address these problems. They also help fund the signage that the Green Team places at beach walkovers to remind visitors to dispose of litter properly. As our mascot Toby the Turtle says, "Don't Trash Where We Splash!" If you would like to sponsor a walkover, please email Vanessa at [fvolt243@gmail.com](mailto:fvolt243@gmail.com).



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July is one of the most productive months of the year for fishing. The combination of traditional targets like redfish and trout and summer seasonal species like shark, ladyfish and Spanish mackerel make for a very active fishery. Anglers can expect lots of different opportunities during all tides!

Fishing for redfish has been great. The large schools of redfish have now broken up but you can still find pods of ten to twenty fish especially on the flats. Putting a scent trail in the water and an easy meal in front of redfish is a tactic bound for success. We usually put cracked blue crab or live mullet on the bottom with enough weight to hold it stationary. Use circle hooks in size 3/0 combined with a heavy test line and hold on!

As for trout, popping corks paired with live bait is the way to go. We have been

using mud minnows as pervasive little fish will steal live shrimp right off your hook. Choose a popping cork that you can easily throw and see. Oval corks weigh more and cast farther. Orange can be easier to see than green or yellow when there is chop on the water. Throw your cork in an area with current and you will be catching loads of trout.

Spanish mackerel are plentiful and are often best found at first light. If you find schools of fish busting bait on the surface, toss reflective casting jigs and reel them quickly through the school. Move your boat gradually around the school; running through a pod of fish will put them down. If you know fish are present but not up top, try trolling Clark Spoons at different depths and different speeds.

See you on the water!

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**Thank You** to Ford Thrift, a defense attorney with Wall Templeton, who was the special guest speaker during FAB's June meeting. Ford provided the membership with an overview of SC Dram Shop Alcohol Liability Laws. He discussed strategic methods to identify patrons who may be approaching the legal drinking limit and ways to prevent incidents involving patrons who are consuming alcohol within your establishment.

During the meeting, we also discussed opportunities to provide more valuable member perks, such as the ServSafe® class that FAB offered for free in May. This allowed 15 member employees to earn their Food Protection Manager Certificate issued by the state. Stay tuned for more information on these and other member benefits rolling out throughout the year.

Folly businesses will be showing up in Riverdogs colors for the **August 22nd Folly Beach Riverdogs Game Night**. FAB members will receive instructions on how to claim your free tickets in the coming weeks.

Welcome to new and returning FAB members, Wind Land & Water Sports, The Drop-In Deli, Country Salt, Keen Eye Marketing, and Shop the Lowcountry.

**We'll see you at our next events:**  
**July 4th** - Independence Day Fireworks (at dusk)  
**Sept. 28th** - Mermaids and Mates Festival

## Business Spotlight:



### Drop In Deli (32-B Center St.)

Folly's favorite deli has a fresh twist! With new ownership, Drop In Deli is stepping into the breakfast spotlight. Kristina "Teeny" and Brian, are also behind Daddy's food truck, and they know their breakfast and espresso! They're starting with the addition of a coffee bar from 7 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and they're dedicated to keeping you caffeinated 7 days a week. Indulge in one of their specialty espresso drinks like the Lemon + Lavender Cold Brew or the Espresso Tonic. If you're into the classics, they've got all your favorite flavors to add to Lattes and Cappuccinos. Don't worry, the menu you know and love at Drop In is still available for lunch and dinner. Bar is open from 11 a.m.-2 a.m., Honky Tonk is Tuesdays, Trivia is Wednesdays at 8 p.m., and Stratton & Friends play Thursdays around 10 p.m. The Drop In you know and love is here to stay; now you'll just have more hours in the day to drop in and chill out at your favorite deli!

There will be no July meeting, so our next scheduled meeting will be on August 8th at 6:30 p.m. at Tides Hotel. Join us for the social at 6 p.m. in the bar area if you like. The August meeting will feature guest speaker Andrew Reina of The Ragnar Group, Inc., who will discuss lower-cost liquor liability insurance options for restaurants and bars. For more information or to become a member of FAB, go to [JoinFAB.org](http://JoinFAB.org) and attend our August meeting.

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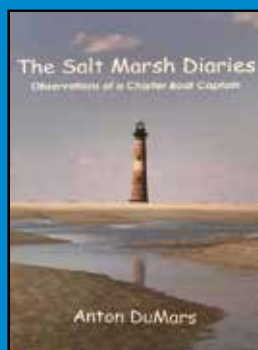


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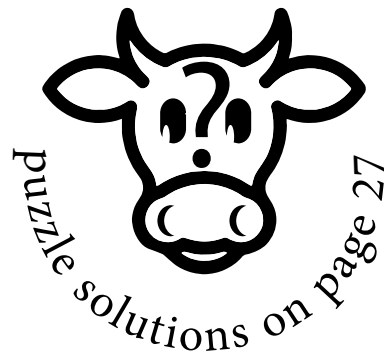
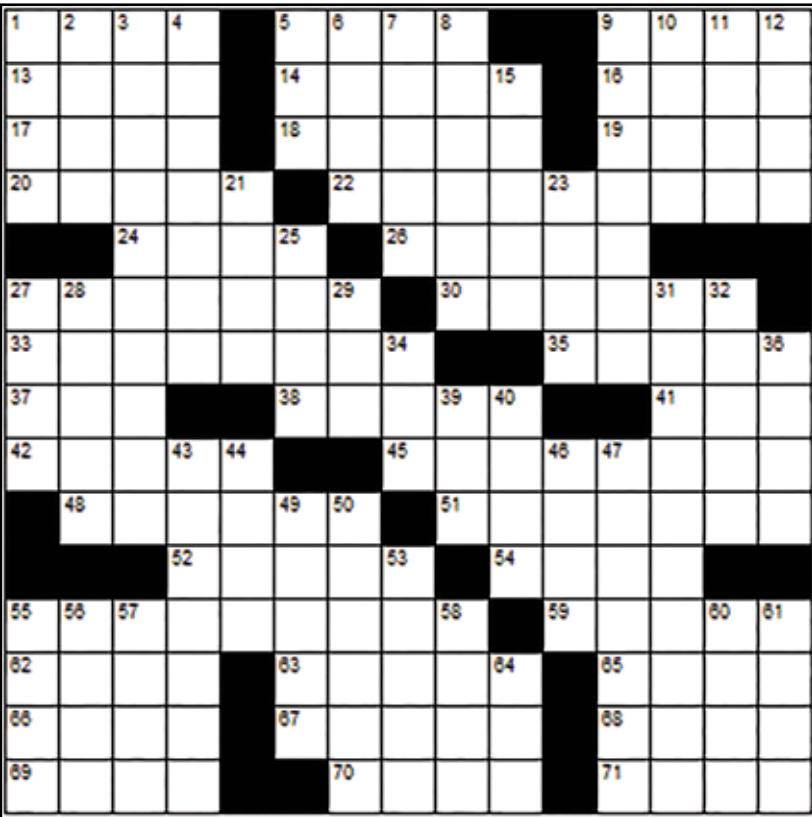
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# FUN & GAMES

## CURRENT CROSSWORD



**ACROSS**

- 1. Potato
- 5. Unidentified flying objects
- 9. Crease
- 13. Arm bone
- 14. A type of writing tablet
- 16. Cab
- 17. Dormitory
- 18. Rose dye
- 19. Greek goddess of discord
- 20. Stairs
- 22. Godsend
- 24. Welt
- 26. Cranium
- 27. Traditional
- 30. Boil
- 33. Terrain
- 35. Coming up
- 37. Finish
- 38. Honor
- 41. Earlier
- 42. View
- 45. Accumulated
- 48. Safe to eat
- 51. Master
- 52. Light refractor

54. Riot spray

- 55. Conversion of organic debris
- 59. Committee
- 62. Balm ingredient
- 63. Paved outdoor area
- 65. Durable wood
- 66. 365 days
- 67. Horse
- 68. Terminates
- 69. Male offspring
- 70. Celtic language
- 71. Freudian topics

**DOWN**

- 1. Lather
- 2. Scheme
- 3. Having gained nothing
- 4. Most moist
- 5. Employ
- 6. Current
- 7. Haven
- 8. Smells
- 9. Sneakiness
- 10. Noble
- 11. Angle between leaf and branch
- 12. Overlook

- 15. Empower
- 21. Cumberbund
- 23. Wingless bloodsucking insect
- 25. Capital of Peru
- 27. C C C
- 28. Spear
- 29. Crow cry
- 31. Encouraging
- 32. Keen
- 34. Henpeck
- 36. Birdbrain
- 39. Butt
- 40. Small amount
- 43. Kiddies
- 44. River in Spain
- 46. Half-moon tide
- 47. Fugitive
- 49. Speech defects
- 50. Property
- 53. Metric unit of length
- 55. Small islands
- 56. Margarine
- 57. Complain
- 58. Perishes
- 60. Prefix meaning "Within"
- 61. Not more
- 64. Flowery verse

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## TRIVIA

**1. BOX OFFICE**

What is the name of Kevin Costner's new epic Western that he spent millions of his own money to make?

**2. CELEBRITY COUPLES**

Katherine Schwarzenegger, the daughter of Arnold Schwarzenegger, is expecting baby number three with what famous actor?

**3. SPORTS**

The Atlanta Hawks drafted had the first overall pick of the NBA Draft last month, selecting Zaccharie Risacher from what country?

**4. MUSIC**

Seth Binzer, a.k.a. Shifty Shellshock, the frontman of what band, died of an overdose last month?

**5. WEATHER**

Hitting the Caribbean late last month, what was the name of the first hurricane of what is expected to be an active storm season?

**6. GEOGRAPHY**

With 446, what city has the most bridges in the United States?

**7. REST IN PEACE**

What baseball legend—former Rookie of the Year, 24-time All Star, 2-time MVP, and World Series champ—died last year at the age of 93?

**8. CLASSIC ROCK**

What classic rock band will start a residence at Sphere in Las Vegas once Dead & Company ends their run in August?

# If the Fish Ain't Bitin', Take a Walk

There's much more to the saltmarsh than snagging a flounder



## SALT MARSH DIARIES

BY CAPTAIN  
ANTON DUMARS  
OF SPARTINA SAILING  
ADVENTURES

I prefer running salt marsh eco-tours instead of fishing charters. However, I have accommodated a few family fishing trips over the years. Fishing comes with expectations, such as catching fish. With eco-tours, the guide catches their fish at the dock, as the late Reverend Doctor Captain Jack liked to say.

Before taking a group fishing, I asked them a few questions up front. For example, I might ask, "how serious are you about fishing?" or "do your dinner plans include fish caught today?" I discouraged those who expected to catch fish and sent them off to a real fishing guide.

To take a large group "fishing," one needs options. My typical fishing charter included some who wanted to fish, some who wanted the periphery, and some who want both. Surf fishing was my best option to satisfy most people. While fisher-people fished, others explored. The roles are interchangeable. And sometimes we caught fish.

Along the way to the fishing spot, I'd stop to catch bait. A few well-placed casts caught plenty of finger mullet, shrimp, and possibly some squid. This stop gave me a good opportunity to

talk about salt marsh ecology and stewardship.

Into an aerated 5-gallon bucket the live bait went. The bucket also served as an aquarium for young fish viewers. Since mullet regularly jump from the bait bucket/aquarium, the less-squeamish kids aboard became "escaped mullet retrievers."

Eventually, I'd land on a suitable sandbar. Once everyone was across the bow and onto the beach, I rigged rods. The few eager fisher-people watched me intently while the others drifted off to explore the island.

I'd space the rods in PVC sand spikes about 50 feet from each other along the shoreline. Each rod was rigged with a circle hook, an 18-inch leader, and a fish finder rig with a 3oz. pyramid sinker attached.

Regardless of the group size, 4 or 5 rods actively fishing the surf were plenty. Once the bait was cast into the surf, we'd wait for a strike.

Depending on the level of rod dips, cut-offs, and (especially) fish caught, members of the group wandered into or out of fishing participation. If a fish was caught, I'd always suggest releasing it, which is mostly what happened. On the trip back, we'd release the bait into a tidal creek and watch it swim away to new schools.

Fishing is hoping. Fisher-people are optimists, at least about fishing. But optimism and hope have a shelf life. If the fish won't bite, take a walk. Switch roles. Explore. Enjoy the periphery for a while.



*Captain Anton DuMars, a coastal geologist and longtime Folly resident, enjoys surf fishing, but prefers it without too much expectation. Visit [saltmarshdiaries.com](http://saltmarshdiaries.com) to order Anton's book. Contact him at [saltmarshdiaries@gmail.com](mailto:saltmarshdiaries@gmail.com)*

## Some Like It Hot



## OUTSTANDING IN HIS FIELD

BY CHARLIE  
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Hello Friends, I hope you're having a wonderful summer so far. For many who enjoy gardening and plants in general, it's been challenging to keep thirsty plants happy. New plants that have been planted in pots or the ground take these dry spells with no rain pretty hard. In my experience, if you miss just a couple of days, you can stress out a plant so bad it never quite looks as healthy again.

Insects will flock to these poor things as well when they see a plant in distress. Here are some tips that hopefully can help you achieve some results.

The first thing is to try to get your planting done before mid-May. Why would you stress yourself and the plant (and potentially other people) out in late June? In my opinion, June-September is the season to try to keep things maintained and not growing too out of control, not for new projects, but you do you.

Potential Client: "Hi, I just installed a whole bed of plants yesterday and I didn't plant them deep enough or water them in and now they're all droopy. What time today can you come over to help me with my last second project?"

Irrigation Contractor A: "I'll be right over... cha-ching, cha-ching."

OR

Irrigation Contractor B: "Ain't nobody got time for dat ..."

Watering by hand is definitely time-consuming, especially when doing it right. I recommend buying a multi-option spray wand for your hose. I like the "shower" setting. Make sure the pressure isn't too strong. You don't want to wash away your soil. Don't spray the leaves. put that nozzle down by the base and let it flow. Rinse. Repeat. Literally. Learn your plant material, and maybe you will save some time not watering existing stuff or drought-hardy plants as frequently. It doesn't have to be all or nothing in one shot.

Water Irrigation systems need updating anytime you add something, whether it's sprinkler coverage or drip irrigation. Added a new area of sod? It'll need adjustments or even an additional

sprinkler. Try to coordinate the installer and irrigation at the same time if possible. Just threw in a bunch of new plants in a bed with drip irrigation? Make sure there's a drip added to the new stuff. You still have to water in new plants with a hose to get the air pockets out. Sprinklers or drip won't do this crucial step. I recommend doing this for a week. In this age of "Youtube," there's gazillions of videos out there to help.

Well, I hope you have a wonderful July. For goodness sake, wait until the fall or later to do any more planting. Go to the beach or something and enjoy life during the hot season!

Love and Aloha

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**CLUBS, SUPPORT GROUPS, & WORKSHOPS**

**Civic Club**  
Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Community Center, 55 Center St. For more information, contact Eric Lutz at elutz@follybeach.gov.

**Exchange Club**  
Meeting is the 1st Thursday of each month. Dinner program is the 3rd Thursday of each month. Interested in joining the EXC? You're invited to the next Dinner Meeting on August 15th at 7pm at the hut, 206 W. Indian Ave. (there is no July meeting). Contact EXC on Facebook for more info.

**Folly Association of Business (FAB)**  
If you are a Folly Beach business or representative of a Folly Beach business, please join FAB at the next monthly meeting on August 8th from 6:30-7:30pm at Tides Hotel (there is no July meeting). Feel free to come early for the social happy hour at 6pm in the bar at Blu. For more information, email secretary4FAB@gmail.com.

**Home & Garden Club**  
Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month Sept. through May at 12pm. Folly Beach Community Center, 55 Center St. For more info, contact Pauline Ray, Garden Club President.

**Folly Beach Mahjong**  
The City of Folly Beach is thrilled to announce the Folly Beach Mahjong Group's first Open Play! All player levels welcome and it's free to participate. There will be two sessions on July 31st: Morning – 11am-2pm and Evening

– 6-9pm at the Community Center. Must RSVP <https://bit.ly/folly-mahjong>. For more info contact [liz@sweetmelissas.com](mailto:liz@sweetmelissas.com) to reserve a spot.

**Save the Light**  
Meets the 1st Monday at 6pm every month. For more information, call: 633-0099, [www.savethelight.org](http://www.savethelight.org).

**Senior Citizens Club**  
55 and over are invited. Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 11am. Contact Pauline Ray at 588-9580.

**Women's Guild**  
Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. Our Lady of Good Counsel, Father Kelly Hall, 106 E. Erie Ave. 588-2336.

**FAMILY FRIENDLY**

**Folly Family Fun Night**  
July 2nd, 6-8pm at the Folly River Park. An evening of fun with JP & The Moonshine Boys & Girls Concert and Ice Cream Social. Classic rock favorites, optional dancing, a photo op area and ice cream will be there. BYO dancing shoes, a chair, and hydration.

**Family Movie Night**  
Held the 4th Sunday of the month at 5 pm. Folly Beach Baptist Church, 77 Center St. 588-9414.

**Jr. Lifeguard I (10-11)**  
Monday, July 22 - Friday, July 26th from 8am-5pm, 1 week session. Participants will become familiar with aquatic environments, its hazards, and the demands of the job of a lifeguard. Fee: \$375, ages 14-15 years old. Folly Beach County Park. For more information about the requirements and schedules visit [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com).

**Jr. Lifeguard III (14-15)**  
Monday, July 8 - Friday, July 12 and July 15 - July 19 from 8am-5pm, 1 week session. Participants will become familiar with aquatic environments, its hazards, and the demands of the job of

a lifeguard. Fee: \$375, ages 10-11 years old. For more information about the requirements and schedules visit [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com).

**Lowcountry Street Grocery**  
Find the bus "Nell" popping up on Center St. every other Wednesday from 4-6pm. For more info, contact the Folly Beach Civic Club.

**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**Beach Yoga**  
Check with Serenity Tree Yoga and Folly Beach Island Yoga for weekly schedule.

**Folly Beach Community Yoga**  
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-11am. Bring your own mat. Donation based class. Folly River Park. For more information, contact Jenifer Mahanes on Facebook: Folly Beach Community Yoga.

**Folly Beach Recreation**  
Pickleball: 8-10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 2-4p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday at Pirates Cove, 510 E. Erie Ave.  
Tennis: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday; 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Wednesday, Friday. Registration required. Pirates Cove, 510 E. Erie Ave.  
Soccer: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday. Registration required. Folly River Park, 60 Center St.  
Yoga: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday. Folly River Park, 60 Center St.

**Starlight Yoga**  
Thursday, July 11th from 7:30-8:30pm. The moon and stars enhance this flowing yoga class, which is inclusive and open to all abilities and fitness levels. Participants will also receive a glow in the dark prize. \$10 per person. Advanced registration encouraged. \$12 per person on-site if space is available. Folly Beach County Park, 1100 W Ashley Ave. [www.charlestoncountyparks.com](http://www.charlestoncountyparks.com).

**Open Water Swimming Meet Up**  
9 a.m. every Sunday. Meet at the Pier next to the showers.

**OTHER**

**Coffee Social, Sweets, & Transportation**  
Survey for Folly Residents 55+ July 11th from 10-11am at the Folly Beach Community Center. RSVP to [hodonnell@follybeach.gov](mailto:hodonnell@follybeach.gov) at July 9th.

**OUTDOOR**

**Decoding Dolphin Behavior**  
Thursday, July 11 from 8:30-10:30am. Did you know that dolphins work together as a team to harvest fish schools and they also hunt individually? Join a naturalist to learn more about Atlantic Bottlenose Dolphins and their unique feeding strategies like strand-feeding. Fee: \$9, ages 9 and up. Folly Beach County Park Dunes House. [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com) for tickets and more info.

**Homeschool in the Parks: Sea Turtle Study**  
Sea turtles do amazing things, so it's no wonder we find them fascinating. Learn about the talents of turtles through activities at the beach. Friday, July 19th from 10-11:30am. Fee: \$7, ages 7-12 years old. Folly Beach County Park Dunes House. [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com) for tickets and more info.

**Lighthouse Inlet Bird Walk**  
Friday, July 12th from 8:30-10:30am. This walk focuses on the incredibly diverse northeast end of Folly Island– the Heritage Preserve that protects maritime forest, beach, dune, and marsh habitats for wildlife. Fee: \$9, ages 12 and up. [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com) for tickets and more info.

**Moonlight Mixer**  
Dance the night away with DJ Bill Shelton spinning all of the hottest oldies and beach music classics! Friday, July 26th from 7-10:30pm at the Folly Beach Pier. Fee: \$10, ages 4 & up. [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com) for tickets and more info

**RELIGIOUS**

**Christian Meditation Group**  
Meets every Monday at 8:30am. Father Kelly Hall, 105 West Hudson Ave.

**Faith Formation**  
Meets every Wednesday at 7 pm. Our Lady of Good Counsel, 106 E. Erie Ave. 588-2336.

**Folly Beach United Methodist Church**  
Worship times: Adult Sunday school at 9am / Worship Service at 10am. Open communion table is the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome. Come as you are. Nursery and children's Sunday school is provided during worship service. 118 W. Indian Ave., 588-9174.

**FBUMC Men's Club Brats & Boiled Peanuts Sale**  
Saturday, July 13th from 10am-5pm at the Red Shed Parking Lot, 110 E. Ashley Ave. All proceeds go to BEDS = DREAMS Mission.

**Girlfriends Bible Study**  
Meets every Tuesday at 9:30am & 6:30pm. Folly Beach Baptist Church, 77 Center St. 588-9414.

**Mary's Rosary Guild**  
Meets the 1st & 3rd Fridays at 10am. Our Lady of Good Counsel, 106 E. Erie Ave. 588-2336.

**Men's Bible Study**  
Meets Mondays at 7pm Folly Beach Baptist Church, 77 Center St. 588-9414.

**Recovery in Christ**  
Biblically based; seeks God concerning our habits, hurts, & hang-ups. Meets Thursdays at 6 pm. Folly Beach Baptist Church, 77 Center St.

**Soup Ministry**  
Every Monday at 12pm Meets in the Fellowship Hall. Folly Beach Baptist Church, 77 Center St. 588-9414.

**Women's Bible Study**  
Meets on Tuesdays at 9:30 am & 6:30 pm. Folly Beach Baptist Church. 77 Center St. 588-9414.

*\* Please check with the individual clubs, groups, and events for updates, as some of these events may have changed.*

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**TRIVIA ANSWERS**

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3. France
4. Crazy Town
5. Beryl
6. Pittsburgh, PA
7. Willie Mays
8. The Eagles

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