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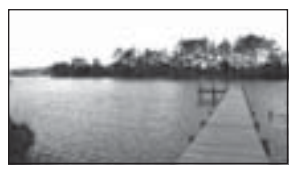

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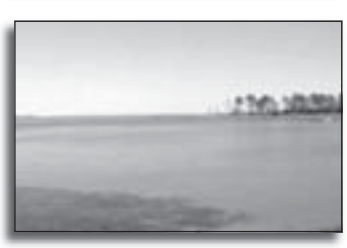

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The Rivah Visitor's Guide

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adj.– rivah: reflecting an attitude indicative of the abundantly pleasant lifestyle in this area.

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The buyboat P. E. Pruitt cruises past the Rappahannock bridge on its way to last year's first ever Urbanna Buyboat Homecoming. The boats are coming back to Urbanna on August 4–5. Photo by Larry S. Chowning

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History

Essex County's history in written form dates from Captain John Smith's visit during the winter of 1607-08, when he wrote of the "excellent, pleasant, fertile, and navigable" Rappahannock Valley.

In 1645 Bartholomew Hoskins patented the Tappahannock site, which became known at various times as Hobbs His Hole, Hobb's Hole, the short-lived New Plymouth, and the Indian name Tappahannock. The port town was to become a center of commerce during the 17th and 18th centuries, establishing a crossroads.

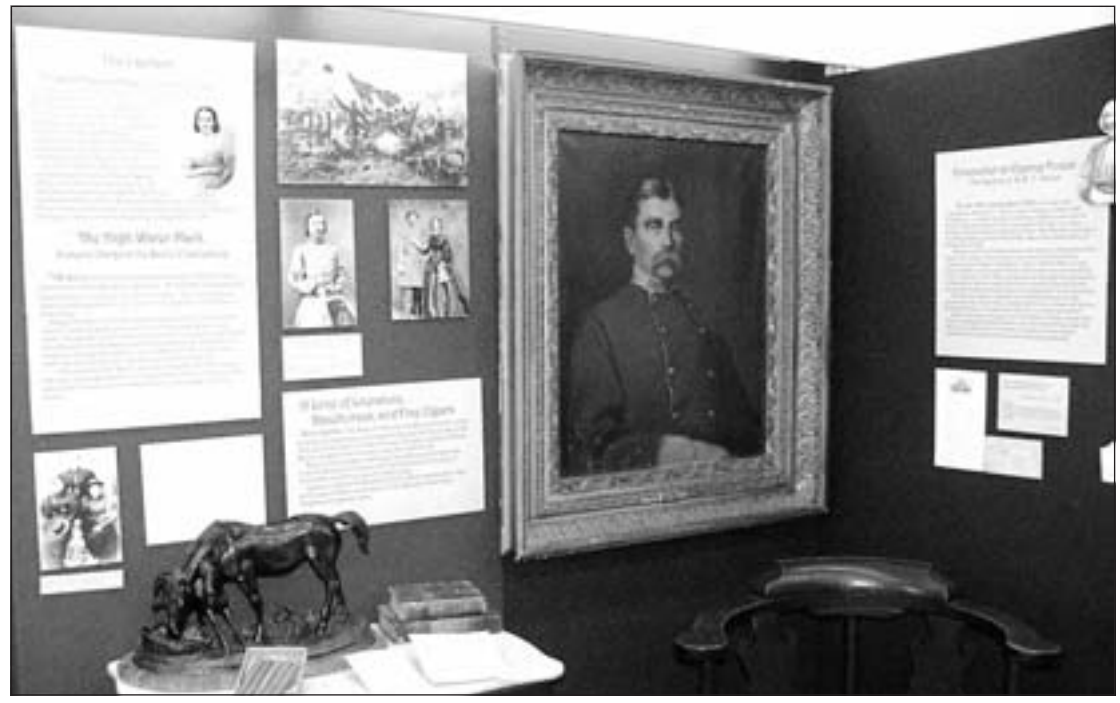
The county came into being in 1692 when Old Rappahannock County, which once encompassed at least 50 modern counties in Virginia and West Virginia, was divided along the river with the north side becoming Richmond County and the south becoming Essex.

During Bacon's Rebellion in 1676, armed men gathered near Piscataway Creek and defeated Governor Berkeley's cavalrymen. Later they prevailed in the Dragon Swamp, but eventually English warships and troops suppressed the uprising. Frontier patrols, however, were maintained against hostile northern Indians into the early 1700's.

The British Stamp Act of 1765 led directly to the American Revolution, and it was in Tappahannock that one of the first confrontations occurred.

Leading merchant Archibald Ritchie, who supported the Stamp Act, was labeled as "the greatest enemy of his country." On February 27, 1766, gentlemen from nine counties gathered at Leedstown to draft the "Resolutions" that led Virginians to disobey Parliament. They also made plans to publicly humiliate Ritchie and the Scots merchant Archibald McCall. These events occurred seven years before the Boston Tea Party.

The Essex Courthouse contains the oldest records in Virginia. James B. Slaughter's history of the area, "Settlers, Southerners, Americans: The History of Essex County, Virginia 1608–1984," recounts in detail the county's 350-year-old story. The book is available at the county administrator's office.



The Essex County Museum and Historical Society in Tappahannock has a display that features Confederate Captain Edward Baird, who was the youngest member of General George Pickett's staff. Also featured is Captain Baird's family, which includes the Rouzie family of Epping Forest in Essex County.

Government

Essex County Administrator R. Gary Allen, P. O. Box 1079, 205 Cross Street, Courthouse Square, Tappahannock, 22560. Phone 443-4331, FAX 443-4157. www.essex@virginia.org. Open 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

County tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.68; personal property, $3.50.

Tappahannock Town Manager G.G. Belfield Jr., 915 Church Lane, Tappahannock. 443-3336. FAX 443-1051. Open 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Town tax rates (per $100): Real estate, $.13; personal property, $1.25.

Chamber of Commerce

Tappahannock-Essex Chamber of Commerce, Linda Lumpkin, executive secretary, P.O. Box 481, 205 Cross Street, Courthouse Square. Lumpkin@crosslink.net. Hours, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 443-5241.

Services

Churches Essex County Ministerial Association. Contact: Paul Beith, 443-6887.

Day Care/Baby Sitting (in Tappahannock) Gayle's Family Home Day Care, 443-0748; Mount Landing Children's Center, 443-1060; Segar's Tender Loving Children's Center, 443-3852; Tappahannock Children's Center, 443-3272.

Trash Collection Sites are at Bray's Fork on Rt. 17, just south of the Rt. 360 and Rt. 17 intersection, open daily 7 a.m.–6 p.m.; Champlain on Rt. 17, open Mon., Wed., Fri., and Sat. 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.; and Center Cross on Rt. 684, open daily except Tuesdays, 7 a.m.–6 p.m. 443-4331.

Veterinary Services Tappahannock Veterinary Hospital, Drs. Lauriel Turner and Lewis Wilkins Jr., 525 Airport Road, Call 443-2878 for doctor's hours.

Towing Jack Stokes Towing, 246 Berry Hill Rd., Tappahannock. 443-4000 or (800) 830-8697.

ABC Store Rappahannock Shopping Center. 443-3441.

Recreation

Ball Fields Essex Little League. 443-9344.

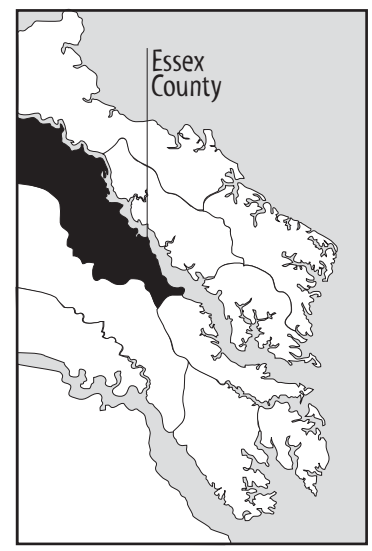
Essex County Parks and Recreation Department runs a number of sports activities for youth and adults. Ball fields at Essex High School are used. Contact recreation director Sylvia Allen at 443-2470.

Fitness Centers Riverside Wellness and Fitness Center, 1025 Hobbs Hole Drive, Tappahannock. Aerobics, cardiovascular and strength equipment, free weights, indoor track, Jacuzzi and sauna. For hours, call 443-0500.

Tennis Courts at Essex High School on Airport Rd. are open to the public from about 5 p.m. until dark and when school is not in session. Contact Sylvia Allen at 443-2470. Riverside Wellness and Fitness Center, Tappahannock, offers tennis as well as racquetball, basketball and volleyball. See fitness center listing.

River Cruises Rappahannock River Cruises, 468 Buzzard Pt. Rd., Reedville, Va. 22539. 453-BOAT (2628). Tues.–Sun., May–October: narrated tours up the river to Ingleside Winery. Departs from Hoskins Creek in Tappahannock at 10 a.m. and returns at 4 p.m. Reservations necessary.

To change or update Essex information, contact <lchowning@ssentinel.com.



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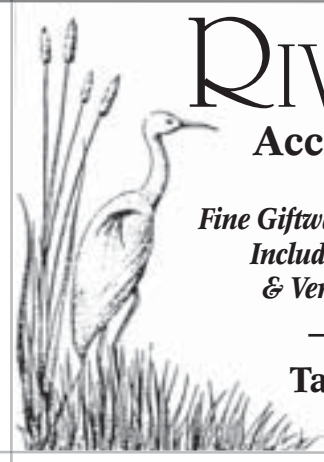

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To avoid disappointment, call the numbers where indicated to verify dates and times of events. The public is welcome to all events or activities unless otherwise noted.

July

Friday, July 28

Bingo will be played at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center in Lively at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the Gloucester Moose Lodge at 7 p.m. 693-3899.

Forgot the Matches, an alternative fire building techniques program, will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 4 p.m. 462-5030.

An Evening Campfire program will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 7 to 9 p.m.

A National Rifle Association First Steps Pistol Orientation Course will be conducted by the Rappahannock Pistol and Rifle Club Inc. To enroll, call Barry Kennedy at 435-2909.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for directions.

The 71st Annual Kilmarnock Firemen's Festival is under way on the festival grounds off Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock. Rides, games, food and raffles. The fun continues nightly through August 5, except July 30.

Saturday, July 29

Stock Car Racing is featured at Virginia Motor Speedway on Route 17 near Church View. Call 758-1867 for ticket information and times.

Market Days will be held on the Colonial Beach Town Commons. 224-0021.

Peach Perfection will be held at Westmoreland Berry Farm. 224-9171.

Get Lost, a survival training program, will be offered at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 4 p.m.

A Sunset Canoe Trip will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. $6 per person.

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A Trash and Treasure Workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Holly Point Nature Park in Deltaville. Turn an old clay pot, piece of wood, boat paddle, small table or some yard sale bargain into a work of art. There will be demonstrations and hands-on instruction. At 3:30 p.m. there will be an artists' reception and display of their days' work. Refreshments.

The Mathews Farmers Market will held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the courthouse green. 725-4229.

A Community Yard Sale will be held on Main Street in Mathews. 725-4229.

"Robin Hood" will be presented by the Missoula Children's Theatre at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Mathews High School. Sponsored by the Court House Players. 725-3414.

A Volleyball Clinic will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. in Phipps Field House at Christchurch School for girls entering grades 5 through 8. A $5 fee per girl will be donated to the YMCA Guardian Program. Register by calling 758-4636.

The Dedication of the new Lord Delaware Bridge over the Mattaponi River will be held at 9:30 a.m. The event will include the Mattaponi Bridge Run, a 5K race and 1-mile walk over the bridge, at 8 a.m. 769-4985.

Visitors are invited to visit Upton's Point Marina in Urbanna on Friday through Sunday, August 4-6, for the second annual "Homecoming of the Buyboats." Activities begin at 2 p.m. Friday and continue until 5 p.m. Saturday. The boats depart Sunday morning.

Sunday, July 30

A Hayride will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 9 to 11 a.m.

Fun Crafts For The Kids will be offered at Belle Isle state park from 1 to 3 p.m.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured three weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for directions.

The Historyland Community Workshop volunteer craft group meets at the Lancaster Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Brown bag lunch. Guests welcome.

Bingo will be played at the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad building on Route 33 in Deltaville at 7 p.m. 776-6875.

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A Middlesex YMCA Youth Sailing Camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily at Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville. The camp continues through August 2. Another session will be held August 7-9 at the yacht club. The camp is for youngsters ages 8 and older. $80 for members, $100 for others. 776-8846.

August

Tuesday, August 1

Duplicate Bridge will be played at the Woman's Club of Lancaster at 1 p.m. 462-0742.

Duplicate Bridge will be played at 12:15 p.m. at the Northumberland Woman's Club in Lottsburg. 529-7029.

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"Beauty and the Beast" will be performed by Steven's Puppets of Church Hill at 10:30 a.m. at the Gloucester Library. 693-2998.

Wednesday, August 2

The RFM Quilters meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will be played at the Rappahannock Civic Club on Route 33 at Locust Hill at 6:30 p.m.

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Thursday, August 3

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 86 on Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 75 in Gloucester at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Gloucester Fair Association.

Bingo will be played at the Piankatank Ruritan Club on Route 198 near Hudgins at 7 p.m. 725-7670.

The RFM Modelers meet at 10 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

The Airport Club of Hummel Field meets at 6 p.m. for a dinner meeting at The Pilot House in Topping. 758-5500.

The 71st Annual Kilmarnock Firemen's Festival is under way on the festival grounds off Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock. Rides, games, food and raffles. The fun continues nightly through August 5.

Line Dancing is held from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center in Mathews.725-1278.

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July

Friday, July 28

Forgotten Spies will play on the deck at Smokin' Joe's Barbecue in Kilmarnock from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. 435-6000.

Realistic Expectations Studio students will perform at 3 p.m. at a Sunrise Gallery open house at 197 Whitaker Lane near Hughlett Point. 435-2880. **Celeste Gates** will perform guitar and vocals at 4:30 p.m. and **Banish Misfortune**, featuring David and Alice Hershiser, at 5 p.m.

Saturday, July 29

Steve Keith will be featured at Café Mojo in Urbanna from 8 to 10 p.m. followed by **Jackass Flats** from 10 p.m. to midnight. 758-4141.

Sweet Justice will rock The Boathouse Cafe at 21 Cross Street in Urbanna from 9:30 p.m. to midnight. 758-0080.

Realistic Expectations Studio students will perform at 2:30 p.m. at a Sunrise Gallery open house at 197 Whitaker Lane near Hughlett Point. 435-2880. **Celeste Gates** will perform at 3:30 p.m. and **Banish Misfortune** at 5 p.m.

Sunday, July 30

A Student Guitar Ensemble will perform at 1:30 p.m. at a Sunrise Gallery open house at 197 Whitaker Lane near Hughlett Point. 435-2880. **Mark and Celeste Gates** will perform at 2 p.m. and **Banish Misfortune** at 5 p.m.

Monday, July 31

Open Mike Night is from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gables Coffee and Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Reedville.

August

Thursday, August 3

Riversong, a celtic and folk music group, will take the stage at 7 p.m. at Lower United Methodist Church in Hartfield as part of the Middlesex Public Library Summer Concert Series.

Friday, August 4

Ray Pittman will play on the deck at Smokin' Joe's Barbecue in Kilmarnock from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

A Student Guitar Ensemble will perform at 3 p.m. at a Sunrise Gallery open house at 197 Whitaker Lane near Hughlett Point. 435-2880. **Celeste Gates** will perform at 4:30 p.m. and **Banish Misfortune** at 5 p.m.

Mercy Creek

Jim Ball and Cheryl Nystrom of Weems are Mercy Creek, an up-and-coming alternative folk rock band. They will visit Cafe Mojo in Urbanna on Saturday, August 5. The show starts around 9 p.m. 758-4141.

Saturday, August 5

Mercy Creek brings aggressive folk to Cafe Mojo in Urbanna. The show starts around 9 p.m.

Tracy Hill will be featured at Donk's Theater on Route 198 in Mathews at 8 p.m. 725-7760.

Joseph Stallings will be featured on guitar at 2:30 p.m. at a Sunrise Gallery open house at 197 Whitaker Lane near Hughlett Point. 435-2880.

The Broken Consort Wind Trio will play at 3 p.m. at Sunrise Gallery. **Banish Misfortune** will play at 5 p.m.

Steve Keith will perform at 11:30 a.m. for the second annual "Homecoming of Chesapeake Bay Buyboats" at Upton's Point Marina on Urbanna Creek.

Intelligence of Richmond will perform from 6 to 8 p.m. at Yates House Gallery in Deltaville. 776-8505.

Hotcakes will perform at 8 p.m. at the annual Crab Feast of the Lower Middlesex Volunteer Fire Department in Deltaville. The all-you-can-eat feast will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Tickets ($20) are available at local businesses, from fire department members or by calling 776-9753.

Sunday, August 6

A Student Guitar Ensemble will perform at 2:30 p.m. at a Sunrise Gallery open house at 197 Whitaker Lane near Hughlett Point. 435-2880. **The Broken Consort Wind Trio** will play at 3 p.m., **Mark and Celeste Gates** at 4 p.m. .and **Banish Misfortune** at 5 p.m.

Monday, August 7

Open Mike Night is from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gables Coffee and Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Reedville.

Friday, August 11

Itchy Dog will play at Smokin' Joe's Barbecue in Kilmarnock from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 12

The Music By The River family concert series concludes at Belle Isle State Park with **Jollet Lane**. The show starts at 6 p.m. 462-5030.

Sunday, August 13

Tri-County Express will perform on the grounds of the Gloucester County Courthouse. 693-2355.

Monday, August 14

Open Mike Night is from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gables Coffee and Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Reedville.

Tuesday, August 15

Lucky Bill, "Virginia's Singing Cowboy," will perform at 6:30 p.m. at the Gloucester Library. 693-2998.

Friday, August 18

Cronyx will play on the deck at Smokin' Joe's Barbecue in Kilmarnock from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Steve Keith will be featured at The Blue Heron Pub and Grill in Kilmarnock. The show starts at 7 p.m. 435-7005.

Tri Chamber Ensemble will perform Renaissance music at 7 p.m. at Lower United Methodist Church in Hartfield as part of the Middlesex Public Library Summer Concert Series. Local talent will also be featured. 758-5717.

Saturday, August 19

A Bluegrass Show to benefit the Gwynn's Island Museum begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Gwynn's Island Civic League building on Route 223 in Gwynn's Island. **The Dragon Run Bluegrass Band** hosts the show. Donations are accepted. 725-3495.

Steve Keith will be featured on guitar, fiddle, banjo, harmonica and vocals at Café Mojo in Urbanna. The show will begin around 8 p.m. 758-4141.

Lynda Smith will be featured at Donk's Theater on Route 198 in Mathews at 8 p.m. 725-7760.

Gerry Maddox will perform "island rock" at the Morattico Waterfront Museum Summer Fiesta beginning at 5:30 p.m. $20 includes a Cajun dinner. 462-9843.

Sunday August 20

R.B. and the Rockers will perform from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Gloucester County Fair & Expo at the Ark Fair Grounds on Route 17. 693-2355

Monday, August 21

Open Mike Night is from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gables Coffee and Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Reedville.

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Friday, August 4

Bingo will be played at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center in Lively at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the Gloucester Moose Lodge at 7 p.m. 693-3899.

Bingo will be played at the Mid-County Rescue Squad Building in Heathsville at 7 p.m.

The RFM Quilters meet at 1 p.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

The RFM Stitchers meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Row It, Ride It, Roast It — a canoe trip, hayride and campfire — will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 5:30 to 9 p.m. 462-5030.

Dessert Bridge/Mahjong will be played at the Woman's Club of White Stone at noon. $4. 435-6207.

Steptoe's Walkabout will be held in downtown Kilmarnock from 5 to 7 p.m. The event will offer visitors an opportunity to shop, browse, dine, listen to music and visit galleries.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for directions.

The 71st Annual Kilmarnock Firemen's Festival is under way on the festival grounds off Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock. Rides, games, food and raffles. The fun continues nightly through August 5.

The Second Annual "Homecoming of Chesapeake Bay Buyboats" will be held at the Town of Urbanna's Upton's Point Marina on Urbanna Creek. Numerous vintage buyboats and workboats that have been converted into pleasure yachts will be on display. Activities begin at 2 p.m. and continue through August 6 when the boats depart. 758-2613.

The 71st Annual Kilmarnock Firemen's Festival is underway on the festival grounds off Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock. Sponosred by the Kilmarnock Volunteer Fire Department, the carnival features rides, games, food and raffles. The fun continues nightly through August 5, except July 30.

Saturday, August 5

The Irvington Farmers' Market will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Irvington Commons.

Stock Car Racing is featured at Virginia Motor Speedway on Route 17 near Church View. Call 758-1867 for ticket information and times.

A Bald Eagle Quest will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 3:30 p.m. 462-5030.

A Full Moon Canoe Trip will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 8 to 10 p.m. $6.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured three weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for details and directions.

A Skipjack Cruise aboard the Claud W. Somers departs the Reedville Fishermen's Museum dock at 10 a.m. $20 for museum members; $25 for others. 435-6529.

The 71st Annual Kilmarnock Firemen's Festival concludes on the festival grounds off Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock. Rides, games, food and raffles.

The Annual Crab Feast of the Lower Middlesex Volunteer Fire Department will be held on the firehouse grounds in Deltaville from 5 to 8 p.m. Music by Hotcakes will follow at 8 p.m. Tickets ($20) are available at local businesses, from fire department members or by calling 776-9753.

"Pied Piper" will be presented by the Missoula Children's Theatre at Page Middle School in Gloucester at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Court House Players. 725-3414.

The Mathews Farmers Market will held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the courthouse green. 725-4229

Sunday, August 6

Fishing From The Pier will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 3 to 5 p.m. License necessary. 462-5030.

A Full Moon Canoe Trip will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 8 to 10 p.m. $6.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for directions.

The 9th Annual Crab Race of River's Inn will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. at River's Inn Restaurant on Yacht Haven Drive at Gloucester Point. Proceeds benefit the culinary arts program at Gloucester High School. 642-9942.

A Knitting Studio is held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center on Main Street in Mathews. 725-1278.

"**The Written Word,"** a reading of local poetry and prose, begins at 2 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center in Mathews. 725-1278.

Monday, August 7

The Historyland Community Workshop volunteer craft group meets at the Lancaster Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Brown bag lunch. Guests welcome.

Bingo will be played at the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad building on Route 33 in Deltaville at 7 p.m. 776-6875.

A Summer Day Camp will be offered at Stratford Hall, the birthplace of Gen. Robert E.Lee, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for ages 9 to 12. The camp continues through August 11. $175. Register at 493-8910, or visit www.stratfordhall.org.

Summer Adventure Camp will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for ages 9 through 12 at Thomas Hunter Middle School. The camp continues through August 11. A second week of camp will be August 13 through18. Sponsored by the Mathews Family YMCA. 725-1488.

Tuesday, August 8

The Rappahannock Pistol and Rifle Club will meet at 7 p.m. at the northside branch of the Bank of Lancaster in Kilmarnock. 435-2143.

Boat Talk, an exchange of ideas on classic and wooden boats, will be held at 4 p.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury.

Wednesday, August 9

The RFM Quilters meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will be played at the Rappahannock Civic Club on Route 33 at Locust Hill at 6:30 p.m.

Duplicate Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Men, women and newcomers, are invited. No reservations needed. 435-2755.

Go Fly A Kite, a kite building crafts program, will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 4 p.m. $2. 462-5030.

Thursday, August 10

The RFM Modelers meet at 10 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 86 on Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 75 in Gloucester at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Gloucester Fair Association.

Bingo will be played at the Piankatank Ruritan Club on Route 198 near Hudgins at 7 p.m. 725-7670.

Bingo will be played at the Knights of Columbus on 7th Street in West Point at 7 p.m. 843-4082.

A Hayride will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 9 to 11 a.m.

A Critter Catch seining activity will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Line Dancing is held from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center in Mathews.725-1278.

Friday, August 11

Bingo will be played at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center in Lively at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the Gloucester Moose Lodge at 7 p.m. 693-3899.

The Second Friday Art Walk will

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be held in Colonial Beach. 224-8411.

All Tied Up, an introduction to knots, will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at Belle Isle State Park.

An Evening Canoe Trip will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 5 to 7 p.m. $6.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for directions.

A Bridge Walk will be held from 8 to 10 p.m. at Beaverdam Park in Gloucester County. Ages 6 and older. After a nature trail walk, participants will look for night-life at a rope bridge. Register by August 8. 693-2107.

Saturday, August 12

A Kayak Tour of Jackson Creek will be hosted by the Deltaville Maritime Museum and Holly Point Nature Park beginning at 10 a.m. with a covered-dish lunch afterwards. 776-6950.

The Gloucester History Trail tour will visit several historic homes and buildings from 1 to 4 p.m. 693-0014.

The Urbanna Farmers Market will be held from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Southside Sentinel parking lot in downtown Urbanna. 758-2000.

A Carnival/Basketball Competition for parents and children of all ages will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Tom Carter Memorial Gym at Cooks Corner. Proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. Basketball begins at 6 p.m. 758-4434.

The Mathews Farmers Market will held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the courthouse green. 725-4229.

Stock Car Racing is featured at Virginia Motor Speedway on Route 17 near Church View. Call 758-1867 for ticket information and times.

A Second Saturday Lemonade Party for children of all ages will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Christ Church near Irvington. Family fun, Colonial games, crafts, church and museum tours. 438-6855.

An Open House will be held at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured weekends through August 13. Call 435-2880 for directions.

The Gloucester County Fair & Expo will take place from Wednesday, August 17, through Sunday, August 21, at the Ark Park Grounds on Route 17. Call 693-235 for more information.

Sunday, August 13

A Custom Auto Cruise-In will be held at 4 p.m. at Chesapeake Commons Shopping Center in Kilmarnock. 435-6171.

Animal Pictionary will be featured at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 3 p.m.

A Sunset Canoe Trip will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 6 to 8 p.m. $6.

An Open House will conclude at Sunrise Studio at 197 Whittaker Lane. Artists, writers and musicians will be featured. Call 435-2880 for details and directions.

"**The Written Word,"** a reading of local poetry and prose, begins at 2 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center in Mathews.725-1278.

Monday, August 14

The Historyland Community Workshop volunteer craft group meets at the Lancaster Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Brown bag lunch. Guests welcome.

Bingo will be at the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad building on Route 33 in Deltaville at 7 p.m. 776-6875.

Flotilla 33 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary meets at 7:30 p.m. in Grace House of Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock.

A Model Boat Building Class will be held at the Deltaville Maritime Museum and Holly Point Nature Park with instructor Warren Robinson. The class continues through August 17. Call 725-5396 to register.

Tuesday, August 15

Duplicate Bridge will be played at the Woman's Club of Lancaster at 1 p.m. 462-0742.

Wednesday, August 16

The RFM Quilters meet at 9:30 a.m. at Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will be played at the Rappahannock Civic Club on Route 33 at Locust Hill at 6:30 p.m.

Sandwich Bridge will be played at noon at the Woman's Club of Lancaster. $5. Call 462-0742 for reservations or to get on the waiting list.

Make a Fish, an arts and crafts project for kids, will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 1 to 3 p.m. $5. 462-5030.

Thursday, August 17

The RFM Modelers meet at 10 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

The RFM Photographers meet at 2 p.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will played at the American Legion Post 86 on Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 75 in Gloucester at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Gloucester Fair Association.

Bingo will be played at the Piankatank Ruritan Club on Route 198 near Hudgins at 7 p.m. 725-7670.

Duplicate Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Men, women and newcomers, are invited. No reservations needed. 435-2755.

Indian Crafts will be demonstrated from 10 a.m. to noon at Belle Isle State Park. $2. 462-5030.

Get Lost survival training will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at Belle Isle State Park.

The Gloucester County Fair And Expo will begin at the Ark Fair Grounds on Route 17 at 6 p.m. The fair continues at 6 p.m. August 18, at noon August 19 and 20, and 2 p.m. August 21. Carnival rides, petting zoo, bingo, pony rides, music and food will be featured. 693-2355.

Line Dancing is held from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center in Mathews.725-1278.

Friday, August 18

Bingo will be played at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center in Lively at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the Gloucester Moose Lodge at 7 p.m. 693-3899.

Campfire Cooking will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Belle Isle State Park.

A Sunset Canoe Trip will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. $6.

Saturday, August 19

Stock Car Racing is featured at Virginia Motor Speedway on Route 17 near Church View. Call 758-1867 for ticket information and times.

The Heathsville Farmers' Market begins at 9 a.m. at Hughlett's Tavern/Rice's Hotel in Heathsville.

A Summer Fiesta dinner party will be held at the Morattico Waterfront Museum. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m., dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Music will be provided by Gerry Maddox. $20. For tickets, call 462-9843.

A New World Discoverers program for ages 5 to 8 will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at Belle Isle State Park.

A Skipjack Cruise aboard the Claud W. Somers departs the Reedville Fishermen's Museum dock at 10 a.m. $20 for museum members; $25 for others. 435-6529.

The 27th Annual Rod Run To The Beach will be held in Colonial Beach.

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The Crown Pointe Marina Cobia and Flounder Tournament will be headquartered at Crown Pointe Marina on Cooks Landing Road at Hayes. Proceeds benefit the Middlesex YMCA. $250 includes use of boat ramp. To register, call 642-6177 or 776-8846 or visit www.crownpointemarina.com.

A Canoe Tour of Beaverdam Lake in Gloucester will be from 10 to 1 p.m. Adults must accompany children under 16. 693-2107.

Agricultural Safety Day will held from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Tappahannock/Essex Volunteer Fire Department. For ages 6 to 14. 443-2327.

The Mathews Farmers Market will held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the courthouse green. 725-4229.

A Family Boatbuilding session will begin at the Mathews Maritime Museum. The session continues through August 21. 725-1278.

Sunday, August 20

A New World Discoverers program for ages 9 to 12 will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at Belle Isle State Park.

The 27th Annual Rod Run To The Beach will be held in Colonial Beach.

"**The Written Word,"** a reading of local poetry and prose, begins at 2 p.m. at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center in Mathews.725-1278.

Monday, August 21

The Historyland Community Workshop volunteer craft group meets at the Lancaster Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Brown bag lunch. Guests welcome.

Bingo will be played at the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad building on Route 33 in Deltaville at 7 p.m. 776-6875.

Flotilla 3-10 meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Callao firehouse. 472-4387.

Tuesday, August 22

Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury.

An Art Show, "The History of Mathews in Art," will open at the Bay School Cultural Arts Center on Main Street in Mathews. The show continues through September 15. 725-1278.

The Richmond County Fair, including a car show, nightly entertainment and carnival rides, opens in Warsaw. Fair hours are 6 to 11 p.m.

The Third Annual Irvington Stomp will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. September 2 at White Fences Vineyard in Irvington. Look for the corkscrews. It will feature all-one-can-eat hard crabs and barbeque chicken, outdoor fun and games, the Holiday Band, hot air balloon rides, a petting zoo and vineyard tours. $40 per person. Children under 15 are admitted free. Tickets are available at www.irvingtonstomp.com, the Hope & Glory Inn and The Local.

Wednesday, August 23

The RFM Quilters meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will be played at the Rappahannock Civic Club on Route 33 at Locust Hill at 6:30 p.m.

Animal Charades will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 1 to 2 p.m.

Make A Picture Frame will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

The Richmond County Fair, including a car show, nightly entertainment and carnival rides, continues in Warsaw. Fair hours are 6 to 11 p.m.

Thursday, August 24

Mahjong will be played at 10:30 a.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Bring a sandwich. Drinks and desert provided. Tables of three or more. $2 per person. 438-4152.

The RFM Modelers meet at 10 a.m. at the Reedville Fishermen's Museum. 453-6529.

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 86 on Waverly Avenue in Kilmarnock at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the American Legion Post 75 in Gloucester at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Gloucester Fair Association.

Bingo will be played at the Knights of Columbus on 7th Street in West Point at 7 p.m. 843-4082

Bingo will be played at the Piankatank Ruritan Club on Route 198 near Hudgins at 7 p.m. 725-7670.

A Bald Eagle Quest will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 10 to 11 a.m. 462-5030.

Make a Hiking Stick will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at Belle Isle State Park.

"Magic in the Woods," a program by the Virginia Living Museum, will be presented at the Gloucester Library. Ages 5 to 7 can attend the 10:15 a.m. program and ages 8 to 10, the 11:15 a.m. program. Call 693-2998 to register.

The Richmond County Fair continues in Warsaw. Fair hours are 6 to 11 p.m.

Friday, August 25

Bingo will be played at the Upper Lancaster Ruritan Center in Lively at 7 p.m.

Bingo will be played at the Gloucester Moose Lodge at 7 p.m. 693-3899.

A Water-Worthy Instructional Canoe Trip, teaching various strokes and safety procedures, will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 1 to 3 p.m. $6.

The Richmond County Fair continues in Warsaw. Fair hours are 11 a.m. to midnight.

Saturday, August 26

Stock Car Racing is featured at Virginia Motor Speedway on Route 17 near Church View. Call 758-1867 for ticket information and times.

Blazing Blades Training in proper use of knives, hatchets, axes and saws will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 1 to 3 p.m.

Market Days will be held on the town commons in Colonial Beach from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A Steamboat 'Whistle Stop' at North End Plantation near Deltaville will benefit the Steamboat Era Museum in Irvington. Music and picnic basket dinner. 438-6888.

The Deltaville Farmers Market will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Yates House Fine Art & Craft Gallery in Deltaville. 694-9130.

The 8th Annual Bay School Fine Arts Auction will take place at Weston Hall on the East River in Mathews, home of Cindy and Bill Barnett, at 6 p.m. 725-1278.

A Community Yard Sale will be held on Main Street in Mathews. 725-4229.

The Mathews Farmers Market will held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the courthouse green. 725-4229.

The Richmond County Fair continues in Warsaw. Fair hours are 11 a.m. to midnight.

Sunday, August 27

A Morning Canoe Trip will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. at Belle Isle State Park. $5.

A Bird Hike will be held at Belle Isle State Park from 2 to 4 p.m. $2.

Monday, August 28

The Historyland Community Workshop volunteer craft group meets at the Lancaster Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Brown bag lunch. Guests welcome.

Bingo will be played at the Middlesex Volunteer Rescue Squad building on Route 33 in Deltaville at 7 p.m. 776-6875.

Duplicate Bridge will be played at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Club of White Stone. Men, women and newcomers are invited. No reservations needed. 435-2755.

Party Bridge is featured at 11:30 a.m. at the Northumberland Woman's Club in Lottsburg. Bring a sandwich. Side dishes, dessert and beverages provided. $5. For reservations, call 580-8205.

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Saturday, September 2

The 29th Upper Lancaster Firemen's Festival in Lively will feature games, rides, music, food, beverages, raffles and a parade at noon.

Saturday, September 8

The Annual Kilmarnock-Irvington-White Stone Rotary Bay Seafood Festival will be held at Belle Isle State Park. For tickets ($50 each) call 1-800-777-9717, or visit www.kiwsrotary.org.

The Annual Mathews Market Days Festival will feature arts, crafts, seafood, entertainment, children's activities, a classic car show, book sales, quilt show, a 5K/10K run/walk, craft and baking competitions. Continues September 9. 725-7196, or www.mathewsmarketdays.org.

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Friday, August 25

Sweet Justice will rock Ferebee's Restaurant in Tappahannock from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. 443-5715.

Saturday, August 26

Sweet Justice will rock The Boathouse Cafe at 21 Cross Street in Urbanna from 9:30 p.m. to midnight. 758-0080.

Idle Time Band, featuring country rock, will present a Bluemont Concert at the Colonial Beach Market Days.

Monday, August 28

Open Mike Night is from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gables Coffee and Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Reedville.

Square dancers meet regularly

The Stepping Stones square dancers meet at the Freeshade Community Center in Syringa. Classes are held each Thursday night from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The club holds dances the first and third Saturdays of each month from 8 to 10 p.m. Free introductory dance and lessons will be held September 7, 14 and 21. For more information, call Ben G. Norris at 694-5118.

Jollet Lane to present bluegrass at Belle Isle

The 2006 Music By The River family concert series at Belle Isle State Park will continue on Saturday, August 12, with Jollet Lane.

The free bluegrass concert is from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the picnic area overlooking the Rappahannock River.

Folks are urged to bring their children, grandchildren, neighbor's children, lawn chairs, blankets, picnic baskets and non-alcoholic beverages. There will be crafts for children and adults prior to the concert and during intermission.

A $3 parking fee will apply.

Music by the River is sponsored by the Friends of Belle Isle State Park with financial support from the Rappahannock Foundation for the Arts, the Kilmarnock-Irvington-White Stone Rotary, the Bethel Emmanuel United Methodist Men, the Rappahannock Record and the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.

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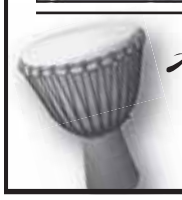

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