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Sustainable Marblehead to create waves of awareness with Ocean Week

Learn how everyday life can impact ocean and beach life

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The Discovery Channel might have Shark Week, but Sustainable Marblehead is going even bigger with Marblehead Ocean Week.

“We’re really excited,” said Sustainable Marblehead’s Executive Director Lynn Bryant.

Sustainable Marblehead has a number of working groups, one being Harbor, which focuses on working with the community “to create awareness and inspire demonstrable action to protect our harbor and ocean.”

COVID has limited what the group could do but Bryant said the group really wanted to do something around World Ocean Day, which is June 8, <https://worldoceanday.org/>.

“Then they thought it would be great to do a whole week,” she said.

It also gave nearly all of SM’s working groups a chance to work together, Bryant added.

“Four out of five of our groups are working together. We couldn’t figure out a way to pull in Trees,” she said with a laugh.

The week includes a variety of events, all will be either outside or via Zoom and will also include volunteers from Marblehead High School’s Environmental Group.

“There are two beach clean-ups and one is student lead,” Bryant said. “Sadie Clark is working with us for her Senior Project.”

The week’s events also include lessons in green boating, oyster restoration, microplastic awareness and the secrets of storm drains.

“We’re covering a lot of different areas and looking at different things that impact the beach and the ocean,” Bryant said.

The Ocean Week of Events includes the following:

June 5, Green Technology

Time: 11 am. - 3 p.m

Location: HarborMoor, 89 Front St.

June 6, Green Boating

Time: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Location: HarborMoor, 89 Front St.

June 7, Storm Drains/Stormwater

11 a.m.- 3p.m.

Location: Shubies, 16 Atlantic Ave.

June 8, Beach Conservation

Time: 5 p.m.

Location: Devereux, Goldthwaite, Riverhead

June 9, Beach Conservation|

Time: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Location: Grace Oliver Beach

June 10, Microplastic Awareness

Time: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m, Beach; 7 p.m. Zoom

Location: Riverhead Beach and Online

June 11, Oyster Restoration

Time: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Location: MHD Boat Yard, 89 Front St.

June 12, Take Action!

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For a full description of each program and more information on Sustainable Marblehead to go <https://www.sustainablemarblehead.org/>.