

# Summer brings fireworks and the Fools' Rules Regatta

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Summer on the island has always offered a multitude of options for fun and adventure. Summer 2009 promises not to disappoint.

## Annual Fireworks

The Rocket 'hogs are planning yet another outstanding fireworks display. This year's display will be on Sunday, July 5. The show begins at sundown and will be held at Mackerel Cove. According to Head 'hog Gregg Charest, the Jamestown display is the best in the state. "People come from all over to see the fireworks here because they know we have great fireworks," Charest said.

One of the unique things about Jamestown's fireworks display is that it is based completely on donations from the community. According to Charest, 100 percent of the donations received go directly toward the purchase of the fireworks. Fellow Rocket 'hog Bob Bailey summed it up nicely by saying, "The bigger the donations, the bigger the display."

The 'hogs enlisted the help of cartoonist Don Bousquet for the second year in a row. Bousquet once again created an unique cartoon for the Rocket



Hogs. "He actually created two this year," Charest said.

The story of how Bousquet became involved with the Rocket 'hogs is an interesting tale itself. The 'hogs took over running the fireworks display two years ago from a group that called themselves the Rocket Dawgz. Since the Rocket Dawgz would not allow the name to be utilized after they ceased to run the event, the new organizers were forced to come up with another name.

"Kerry Sheehan and I were at a Town Council meeting when someone approached us with the idea of using the name the Rocket 'hogs," Charest

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