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the state tournament than in recent times, finishing fourth in a seven team bracket with a record of 2-2 losses. Our Babe Ruth team, Ali's Run, finished in second place in the Newport Babe Ruth league regular season standings. But most important of all, the greatest success was the tremendous number of players who had fun. I also wish to thank all the parents who supported us and helped out.

As you read this letter, I am sure you recognize that many people played a role in the success of baseball in Jamestown. It truly is a community activity and

I thank everyone. Next year promises to be better, so everyone have a great and safe remainder of the summer and refer to the Press for upcoming news on the league. We start planning for next season now. Finally, I wish to thank my wife Karen for her patience, help, and support this past season. It takes a special person to be married to "the Commish".

Tony Rafanelli
President, Jamestown Baseball

Horsehead event a great success!

As the 450 people who attended know, a wonderful party was held at Horsehead on July 28. Josy and Harry Wright hosted a fundraiser

for the Jamestown Historical Society Capital Campaign in a location and on an evening that made the glamorous parties in the movies seem insipid.

Gale Bay and her hardworking committee put together food and auctions and entertainment to evoke the turn of the century, when Horsehead was built, including a horse-drawn carriage ride through the grounds. Everything worked beautifully!

The Jamestown community has enthusiastically embraced our efforts to raise money to improve the Jamestown Museum, and this event was a celebration of our success. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously.

Anne Livingston and John Murphy, co-chairmen



Man-powered vehicle

Spectators joined in the parade as pushers when an old Jeep, carrying veterans, stalled along the parade route.

Photo by Andrea von Hohenleiten

Island history

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Jamestown's tercentenary celebration the past eight days was so successful, there are thoughts of a repeat celebration, in part, next year. ... Besides the parade, the final day's observance included a water sports show, fireworks, a tercentenary ball, and many private cocktail parties.

25 years ago

From the Newport Daily News, August 16, 1982

A huge crowd turned out Saturday morning to watch the 5th annual Fools Rules Regatta at Town Beach at East Ferry. There were 35 entries in the event sponsored by the Jamestown Taxpayers Association.

15 years ago

From the Jamestown Press, August 14, 1992

The Town Council voted 4-0 Tuesday night to disband the Senior Center Study Commission, which after five years has been unable to get

a building plan for the project off the ground or even located a site.

The state Department of Transportation has been issued a state permit to alter wetlands that it needs to build the cross-island highway.

10 years ago

From the Jamestown Press, August 14, 1997

What may be the first North American record for a European bird species was sited this week on Conanicut Island by Christine Ariel and B.J. Whitehouse in their yard and verified by noted Jamestown birders Chris and Candy Powell. The rare bird was a Great Tit, a song bird that looks like a chickadee, but a little larger, with a bright yellow breast, black rib and black stripe running down the middle of the breast.

(photo caption) Kayakers discuss the race around Jamestown after paddling some 15 miles Saturday. The conditions were nearly perfect for the third annual Jamestown Island Paddle. The event, which raised \$1,610 for the Jamestown Senior Center, attracted 56 entries.

Summer Music in Jamestown
at East Ferry Memorial Square
ADMISSION FREE

Island Realty and Conanicut Marine Services
present
The Jamestown Community Band

6:30 p.m. this Sunday, August 19th
In the event of rain, the concert will be in the Community Center

Did you know?

A number of people support the barn on Lot 47.

"Go with Lot 47. It offers the adequate space necessary for a Highway Barn for the Town of Jamestown. Taylor Point does not - it's not big enough."

Nick Robertson – Town Council, 1991-1997,



"The beauty and accessibility of our waterfront is one of Jamestown's most precious resources. Don't let the special interests destroy it for our children. VOTE TO REJECT the Highway Barn @ Taylor Point!"

Claire Ferguson – Town Council 2003 – 2005

"My preference for Taylor Point would be for it to remain as open space. If the Town chooses to develop it, a better choice would be affordable housing. We have a better place for the barn at Lot 47, where the total cost would be less."

Bill Murphy – Town Council, 1997- 1999



"Jamestown's home rule process is being tested. Town Councilors admitted that threats of lawsuits changed their majority decision to Taylor Point. Will Jamestown remain a democracy or will it be governed by intimidation? Let the voters decide."

Vic Calabretta – Town Council President, 1989-1991



Let's give ourselves a chance to vote on Lot 47 in November.

You have a choice. Vote reject August 28.