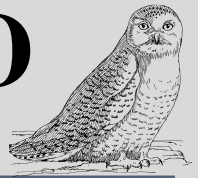


NOTES FROM THE FIELD

SANDY NECK NEWSLETTER



January 2026

Happy New Year from all of us here at Sandy Neck Beach Park!

As 2025 comes to a close, we carry forward the joys, struggles, and shared moments that shaped who we became this year. Thank you for being part of our journey- may the year ahead bring renewed hope, growth, and meaningful beginnings.

We continue to reshape and reimagine Sandy Neck with the continuation of the Resiliency Project, and as we work towards our goal we are increasingly excited for what the new year will bring. A lot has been done this fall and winter season, and we hope the people who call Sandy Neck a home away from home feel that same excitement. With this project still well underway, we suggest staying up to date by visiting the Sandy Neck home page for any important updates. You can find it at <https://sandyneck.town.barnstable.ma.us/>

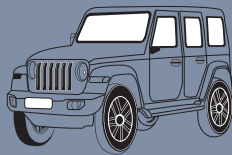
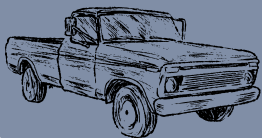
Starting January 3rd, 2026 the ORV will again reopen on SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ONLY while the project is still underway. The beach hours for these days will be 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The speed limit at this time will be 15 miles per hour and campfires are not permitted at this time. For patrons wishing to access the ORV on the weekends please be aware that the air station will not have working compressors. We suggest bringing a portable air compressor along for the trip. The parking lots will continue to be closed as they are undergoing extensive improvements. Parking for hikers will continue to be very limited with only a few spots available.

To check the ORV status, check our website or call us at 508-362-8300.

All 2025 ORV Permits Expire Jan. 15th

Please obtain a valid 2026 ORV permit before accessing the ORV beach.

Online application
here



Hunting Season on SNK

Due to the ongoing resiliency project there is currently very limited parking for hunters on the property. We recommend hunters to explore other parts of Barnstable for hunting opportunities during the times we cannot accommodate.

No Hunting On Sundays

Important!

No campfires allowed until May 1st. ORV Beach closed on weekdays due to construction, will reopen for the weekends. The Gatehouse is also closed due to construction. Any question, please call (508)362-8300.



Pictured above is one of the many Snowy Owls released on Sandy Neck Beach in 2025. When rescued and released, she will call SNK home for a handful of months before returning to the arctic. Many of these juvenile owls will be rescued from places like Logan Airport where they often get disoriented and become susceptible to various elements of harm.