

SHORBLINES

Letters from the Presidents

Hello South Down,

It's that time of year again, as summer draws to a close, kids go back to school and South Down continues with the changes of the seasons. What a spring and summer! The first part was very wet and below average temperatures, and the lake water temperature was below normal by about a month compared to the last few years. This slowed down the spring landscaping, but it got done and South Down looked good. Then a hot and dry July and August, but as they say, just wait a day and the New England weather will change.

The good news is the beach has never been as popular as this year. The beach wall, sand and steps were finally completed and working well. The small beach wall was approved by Council and will be replaced in September before our current permit expires to complete the beach project. Next year we can apply to the state for a sand replenishment permit to improve the area, as this can only be applied for every 5 years.

The infrastructure projects continue as we must keep up and continue repairing or replacing drains, culverts, roads and parking areas. The Greenbelt parking lot

was approved and will be replaced; it will be repaved in September after repairing the drains under it. 18 new kayak racks have been added which will reduce the waiting list and allow more owners to enjoy the lake. Thanks to Nick (Facilities Maintenance) for suggesting and completing the project with a budget of less than a year payback.

A lot of people have volunteered to be on committees, and they are the unsung heroes of South Down, such as Building, Safety and Security, Recreation, Communication, Preservation, Boat Club, Finance, Geese, Strategic Planning and Storage. Many people have suggested that South Down petition the state for a no wake zone between big island and the green space. Unfortunately, several people have suggested it's a great idea for others to do. To date, nobody has stepped up to be chair or be on a committee! Nothing is going to happen without help. The same is true for the Solar Panel Committee.

Fall is always a great time to be up at the lake with all the fall color, warm days and cool evenings. It's less than 100 days until it's time to ski and get back out on the snow.

I hope you and your family enjoy the holidays and have fun, keep safe and stay well. We are all so lucky to be part of such a great community on the lake.

Finally, if you see something, say something, without your input we may not know.

James Wason

Hello Long Bay Neighbors!

As we reach the close of another summer season, I'd like to take a moment to reflect and share some updates. Despite a damp beginning, and a rather dry finish, it's been another terrific stretch here on Paugus Bay!

Thank you to everyone who attended the recent Town Hall and our Annual Meeting. Your participation and support are what keep our community strong. A special note of gratitude goes to Susan Reilly for her six years of dedicated service as Treasurer. We also warmly welcome Peter Dreifus to the Board—his addition means we now have a full complement of board members ready to serve. Thanks also to Evergreen Management's continued care of our community.

It has truly been a fun season filled with social activities, both old favorites and exciting new ones. Highlights included the golf cart parade, Friday's Coffee with

Frank, the ice cream cart, hot dog night, and several other wonderful gatherings that brought neighbors together.

With summer winding down, we will begin our seasonal closing activities. The mooring balls will be secured, the clubhouse will be winterized, and the pool will remain open as long as it is economical to keep the heat on. Looking ahead, we are planning a number of improvements this fall so that everything will be ready for another great spring season.

I extend best wishes to everyone—both to those staying here through the fall and winter, and to those heading south until spring. Thank you all for making this such a vibrant and enjoyable community.

Warm regards, Mark Bodenstab

South Down Building Committee

The Building Committee works to keep South Down cohesive, well-maintained, and aesthetically pleasing. Our focus is on preserving the community's character while supporting homeowners in their projects. With fall around the corner, here are a few seasonal reminders.

Preparing Your Home for Fall & Winter

As cooler weather approaches, now is the time to prepare your home for winter, especially for residents who will be away until spring. A few small steps now can help prevent bigger problems later.

Homeowner Checklist:

- Clean gutters and downspouts to avoid ice dams.
- Shut off and drain outdoor faucets, hoses, and irrigation lines to prevent frozen pipes.
- Have your furnace or boiler serviced, and test smoke and CO detectors.
- Schedule a chimney inspection: state fire officials recommend doing this

- annually, even for gas fireplaces.
- Inspect your roof and siding for damage; repairs before snowfall can prevent costly leaks.
- Trim back overhanging branches and secure outdoor furniture. Even small limbs can cause storm damage in winter winds and ice.
- If you'll be away, designate a trusted neighbor to check in periodically and keep emergency contact information handy.

How We Review Applications:

Although the committee meets monthly, we regularly review New Minor Revision Applications (MRAs) between meetings so that tentative approvals can be issued promptly. This helps projects move forward without unnecessary delays, with final approval confirmed at the next monthly meeting.

Closing Out MRAs:

If you've submitted an MRA and completed your project, please notify the committee. We track all open MRAs until they are formally closed, and your quick confirmation helps us maintain accurate records.

Where to Find Information:

Building Committee forms and policies can be found on the SD Shores website: https://www.sdshores.com/building and in TownSq. Please check it before starting projects.



The SD Building Committee is always seeking new volunteers.

Contact Steve Allen for more information.

Long Bay Building Committee

INFORMATION FROM LONG BAY BUILDING COMMITTEE

To Long Bay Fellow Owners:

As a community, Long Bay is getting older. Roofs need replacement, decks need repairs, homes require painting and driveways need repaving. Per the Long Bay Covenants, the Building Committee has been charged with overseeing any changes to home exteriors and/or any changes to the topography.

Replacing roof shingles, same type and color, replacing driveway, repairing deck and patio are all considered minor repairs. The Building Committee then only requires a "notification" such as an email which will be added to the location file. However, if you plan to increase your deck size, enlarge your patio or paint your house a different color, then you are required to submit a minor building application, pay an application fee and provide your contractors liability insurance certificate and if you live in one of the villages they need to be notified and give their approval.

If you are away for any extended period, the Building Committee suggests you should arrange for someone to check your home regularly.

All forms are available on the longbayassociation.com website.

Ken Taylor, Chair, Long Bay Building Committee

ktaylortms@gmail.com

South Down Home & Garden Club

The South Down Home & Garden Club is a popular social club for South Down and Long Bay residents and is a terrific way to meet new neighbors and spend time with old and new friends learning about our environment, supporting local businesses and organizations, and taking part in activities and crafts.

The club continues to attract new members with varied programs and activities – there is always something new and interesting happening. Meetings take place from April through December with the December meeting being a special Holiday activity such as dinner and a show. Meetings take place at the South Down Beach House on the 2nd Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted.

April's meeting kicked off the season with a Potluck get together. In May, a representative from Prescott Farm Environmental Center presented "Bee Basics for Non-Beekeepers," explaining the difference between honeybees and native bees, walking us through essential bee keeping equipment, and sharing a bit of the farm's history. June's meeting brought back the popular NH Fish & Game Wildlife Stewards back to present on Bears following on their presentation on Moose last year. We all learned some new things about Bears including interesting facts about the gestation period for cubs and how the mother bear's weight influences the size of her litter. In July, we shifted gears to crafting as members created miniature birdhouses using corks and other natural materials such as acorns and dried mosses. In August, a Master Gardener guided us through herb gardening including tips on buying seeds and soil testing as well as simple ways to cook with fresh herbs. Some of the herbs showed and discussed were borage, chives, rosemary, and French tarragon.

The club is open to all and is a wonderful way to meet neighbors and make friends while enjoying interesting and fun activities. There are still several meetings remaining this season – September features a pizza party; election of Officers for next year – a wonderful opportunity to get involved. October's meeting will be a trip to Canterbury Shaker Village on October 9th for a Private Tour followed by an optional dinner out.

For information, please contact Sande Ambiehl @ sandeambiehl@aol.com

Janice Forester @ janforester24@gmail.com, Marie Starski @ mariestarski@gmail.com, or Paula Judge @ phjudge@gmail.com



Potluck Dinner in April



NH Fish; Game Wildlife Stewards



Creating Miniature Cork Birdhouses



Master Gardener -Herb Gardens



South Down Boat Club

A tinge of color appears on the trees, morning sunrise getting later, and a chill lingers until mid-morning. The boating season is quickly drawing to a close, though members fortunate enough to continue boating into September know that it is a great time of year. By the time you read this, SDBC will be on its post-Labor Day schedule:

- Friday-Sunday, 8AM-5PM
- Monday-Thursday, 24-hour notice for launch (note that the dockmaster phone has been repaired, number remains as 603-528-1036)
- Monday, 10/13 Columbus Day, 8AM-5PM and will also be our last day of operation

Special notice to those SDBC Members & renters who will be using an outside contractor to store and/or winterize their boat. Please have the contractors call Carol Downing (603-527-6169) to schedule a timeslot, she can make sure their insurance is current and ensure the F/L is available. The 24-hour notice applies to contractors as well as members/renters. All boats being stored in the berths will be removed from the docks/moorings after Columbus Day. Any boats leaving from the docks for storage elsewhere need to be moved as soon as possible after Columbus Day. We need to have the boats moved from the docks, so there are no work restrictions resulting from the RR Crossing construction.

It was certainly an active year at the SDBC. The Board and Irwin have worked closely over the summer to observe the operation. Those

observations along with the feedback from SDBC members who took the time to contact Carol, or a Board Member, will become the basis for discussions during the winter to improve for the 2026 boating season.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't thank the members of the SDBC Board and the crew at Irwin for helping to make SDBC the valuable asset it is.

Sincerely-Dick Mariano

SECURITY & SAFETY

South Down Shores Security and Safety Committee

Another wonderful summer is coming to an end. We hope everyone enjoyed our beautiful community. The Security and Safety Committee is responsible for providing personnel to provide security and beach monitoring and making recommendations to the Council. We always welcome input from our neighbors so we can improve each year.

Security and Safety

We are fortunate that we had no major security issues this summer. Security services were provided again by Granite Security, and we will be debriefing the season with them in September. We remain appreciative of residents who report concerns.

During the "off-season" we will be reviewing certain topics to make recommendations to the Council. Some of the topics include golf cart regulations, registration, and related issues, electric scooters, and how to elevate awareness of safety issues within South Down. Ideas and suggestions are always welcomed.

South Down Beach

It's been a busy and exciting summer at South Down Beach! For the most part, the weather has been cooperative, and we've seen great turnout all season long. A big thank you to our beach monitors—Ella, Wyatt, and our newest team member, Asher—for doing a fantastic job checking everyone in and keeping things running smoothly.

We also appreciate everyone's cooperation with the rule prohibiting large beach mats in the water and the revision which prohibits large beach mats being launched from SD property. Your efforts have helped maintain a safe and enjoyable beach environment for all.

We experienced some early-season challenges with beach access due to construction on the new steps into the water. During that time, all visitors were asked to use the far-right beach steps to enter the water. Unfortunately, this led to many crossing the railroad tracks and entering near the split rail fence which is a prohibited action. This illegal activity continued after the beach steps were fixed. There is only one legal access point to enter the beach area and that is the walkway over the railroad tracks across from the beach house. Also, by entering the beach in this illegal manner folks do not check in with beach monitors when they are present.

Looking ahead, we're exploring a few updates to our beach check-in procedures and may adjust beach monitor hours to better meet demand. We're also working to address ongoing challenges, including identifying renters—many of whom are not registered with South Down in advance—and managing access by Long Bay residents using South Down names and addresses.

Thank you to all who helped make our work easier this year.

You can email Jan or Terri and we will share with the full committee and pass along concerns to the Council and Evergreen Management as is necessary.

Please make sure you have these numbers readily available for your use.

Emergencies: If you have a serious matter which requires immediate attention and law enforcement assistance, please contact the Laconia Police Department at 603-524-5252 or 911.

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Non-Emergency Contact Information: We also depend on information from residents to address security and safety concerns. If you have a concern, please provide as much information as possible to Evergreen Management, 603-527-8147 or send an email to RKingston@evergreenmgt.com

South Down Security and Safety Committee

Terri Donovan, Co-Chair terridd@metrocast.net

Jan Burkhardt, Co-Chair janburkhardt@msn.com



South Down

Strategic Planning Committee

Hopefully you have received and reviewed our update. It was mailed to you on August 26 and we have also posted it on TownSq. We are excited to provide this information and encourage you to champion one of the many ideas presented. Feel free to contact the committee at SDStrategicPlanning@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you!

Pierre Brennecke, Bob Burton, MaryGale Durning, Gloria Gaito, Tricia Mariano



South Down Geese Committee

Lights Out for the Geese

Members of the Geese Committee voted at their July 28th meeting to return the eleven lights and cages currently located around the frog pond, along the Green Belt and at the beach. Residents of Birchwood and the Boat Club Board of Directors have also chosen to remove and return the additional seven lights and cages they purchased separately. The decision to discontinue use of the Away with Geese lights was predicated on the product's failure to sufficiently deter the gathering of geese in and around the pond and across the Green Belt and adjacent villages. Being home to 40 geese all summer was not our goal.

The committee chairman received support for this decision from SDRA's Executive Council at its August 19th meeting. The geese lights placed along South Down Shore's waterfront will be removed and returned to Away With Geese by the year's end. Cost of the lights and cages, less shipping fees, will be refunded by the company.

Geese Committee members are currently contemplating alternative deterrent ideas to implement prior to the 2026 nesting season. Additional measures to deter the geese from the beach and GreenBelt are also being examined. The Committee hopes to have a formalized proposal for geese mitigation to present to Council within the coming months.

John DeChristoforo, Janet Dome, Paul Kelly, Connie Kuekan,

Tricia Mariano, Nick McNally, Tracie Stone

South Down Facilities Update

- Bocce courts resurfacing has been completed.
- 18 additional kayak racks in SD have been built. Management will contact the waitlist for the 2026 season.
- The small beach wall replacement will begin on September 5th.
- The Greenbelt culvert will be relined.
- The Greenbelt parking lot will be reclaimed and paved.

South Down New Storage Facility

Update regarding the new storage units!

Following the approval at our last annual meeting, planning is now underway, and we're ready to take the next step. Here's how you can secure your spot: we're now accepting non-binding reservation agreements on a first-come, first-served basis to determine the final number of units to be built. To ensure fair access, reservations are currently limited to one unit per household/dwelling and 96 units to be built.

Key Details:

- Deadline to submit your non-binding reservation agreement: September 15, 2025.
- Capacity: We can only accept 96 non-binding reservation agreements as this is the maximum number of new storage units that we contemplate building. If demand exceeds this number, additional requests will be placed on a waitlist.
- Once planning is finalized, including the budget and project schedule, we'll
 provide an update with all the details to the interested parties.

If you're interested, please complete the non-binding reservation agreement you received earlier and mail it along with your check to:

Shorelines – End of Summer 2025

Orr & Reno
Attn: Kelly Ovitt Puc - SDRA Storage Units
45 South Main Street
P.O. Box 3550
Concord, NH 03302

Act quickly to reserve your spot and ensure your interest is included in this exciting project. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out.

Let's make this project a success together!

The Storage Committee

South Down Long Bay Directory

The South Down Communications Committee does periodic updates of our communities' alphabetical directory throughout the year. A searchable pdf version of the directory can be found in Town Square. Anytime you have a change, please send your updates to sdlbdirectory@gmail.com copying Lhersey@evergreenmgt.com or Rkingston@evergreenmgt.com. It is critical that Evergreen has your correct information.

If anyone has experience with an online directory tool and would like to help evaluate options for us, please let me know.

Tricia Mariano

EVERGREEN MANAGEMENT GROUP

Greetings South Down and Long Bay and Owners,

Please remember the physical Evergreen Management Office in Gilford is not staffed full time, as both Linda and Robin work remotely. Please call and make an appointment if you need to meet in person.



<u>OWNER INFORMATION UPDATE</u> - To guarantee receipt of newsletters, account statements and other important information regarding the community please be sure your mailing address, email and phone information are up to date by contacting Evergreen Management Group or logging into TownSq to make any changes.



<u>NEW OWNERS</u> – All new owners (SDRA & LBHOA) need to contact Evergreen Management Office to register; obtain gate access; register golf carts; sign up for canoe/kayak racks (waitlist) and learn about the community. Please provide Evergreen Management with a copy of your executed deed.



SHORT TERM & LONG-TERM TENANT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED -

ALL TENANTS must be registered with Evergreen Management by submission of a Short Term (30 days or less only for SDRA and 30 consecutive nights for LBHOA. Long Term (over 30 days) tenants also are required to be registered with Management for both communities. Registered tenants will be given a gate code programmed to the length of their lease.



<u>SPEED LIMIT</u> – The speed limit on all South Down and Long Bay Roads is 25 mph unless otherwise posted such as Davidson Drive in the portion adjacent to the Greenbelt Recreation Area, is 15 mph. All vehicles are expected to come to a FULL STOP at All Stop Signs.



Dogs must be leashed at all times. Please be responsible and immediately clean up after your pet and dispose of waste properly.



PEDESTRIAN; BICYCLE AND VEHICLE SAFETY

- * When walking on the roads please keep to the side as much as possible to ensure you are not stopping traffic by taking up more space than absolutely necessary. Always walk facing the oncoming traffic.
- * Bicycles/Golf carts must be ridden/driven on the same side as the direction of traffic flow, bicycles should be single file.



Drop Box and Pick Up Location: You may leave items in the drop box (top box) for us to pick up from you and we will leave items for you to pick up in the pick-up box (bottom box). The boxes are located at the pavilion off Recreation Drive by the newspaper box.



SDRA & LBHOA Gate Access: RFID Tags are available for purchase through our office. The cost of each RFID tags is \$10. Please be sure to provide the monthly vendor gate code to any vendor who is coming to your home.

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TownSq. Communication Website: SDRA & LBHOA have a Secure Website through TownSq. Designed to help you connect, collaborate, and stay up to date with everything happening in your community. With your account information, once logged in, you will be able to instantly customize your communication settings to start receiving notifications, when and how you want. If you have any questions, please contact your management team. This is where you will find all Association related documents.



Kayak/Canoe/Paddleboard Users: For South Down Rack Renters - All crafts must be removed from the racks by October 31st. Next year's renewal applications for both Long Bay and South Down will be sent in early 2026.



Trailer Parking Renewals: Trailer Parking renewal for will be sent out in September and are due no later than December 1, 2025.



Winter Parking Ban: Please remember that there is a winter parking ban on all SDRA and LBHOA roads effective November 1st through April 1st.

EVERGREEN MANAGEMENT GROUP CONTACT INFORMATION Contact Hours 8:30 – 4:30 Monday – Friday

Mailing Address: 14 Country Club Rd., Suite 6, Gilford, NH 03249 603-527-8147

Linda Hersey
Assistant Property Manager/
Community Administrator
lhersey@evergreenmgt.com

Robin Kingston, CMCA Senior Property Manager

rkingston@evergreenmgt.com

Quarterly Dues Payments Mailing Address

South Down Recreation Association C/O John E. Libby CPA, PLLC 60 Whittier Hwy Box 10 Moultonborough, NH 03254

Community Websites

South Down Shores maintains a website with useful information for residents. https://www.sdshores.com/. Long Bay maintains a website for its residents and can be found at https:// www.longbayassociation.com

Please help keep the information current by sending along updates to the village and single-family home pages including any changes to the management company, contact information, village dues, village details/documents, and

changes in officers. Requests for updates to the South Down website can be sent to southdownwebmaster@gmail.com. Long Bay updates may be sent to longbayassociation@gmail.com.

There is also a section for classifieds shared between South Down and Long Bay. Please make sure to take advantage of these free listings. Ads are listed for 60 days. Requests for posting to the classified page should be submitted to southdownclassifieds@gmail.com.



Thank you to Barbara Shea for her many years of publishing the SD/LB directory.

IMPORTANT SOUTH DOWN DATES

South Down Executive Committee/Council Meetings

Saturday, September 27, 2025 - SDRA Council – 9:00 AM - Zoom
Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – Executive Committee - 5:30 PM - Zoom
All are invited to the meetings. Residents, who are not on the Council or
Executive Committee, are able to ask questions only during the Questions from
Attendees portion of the meeting. If you have feedback on an agenda topic,
don't hesitate to contact your Council Representative.

**Just a reminder that there is much information on TownSq including all governance documents.

Resident Activities

ACTIVITIES			
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1PM - Hand, Knee and Foot Game (a form of canasta). Typically takes 3 hours. South Down Beach House	10 AM and 1 PM - Majong South Down Beach House	1PM - Games: Mexican Train, Rummikub and others South Down Beach House	Knitting Club 1-3pm South Down Beach House
	5PM - Bocce on the		
	GreenBelt		

Recreation Committee Activities

Saturday, September 27

Social 5:30pm Clubhouse

Saturday October 25

Trunk or Treat 4PM-6PM Greenbelt

TBD

Holiday Craft Fair 9AM-12PM Clubhouse

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Feedback or questions regarding the newsletter,
please contact us.

Gloria Gaito and Tricia Mariano

ggaito0219@gmail.com

triciamcgmariano@gmail.com

(CLASSIFIEDS)

Kayak for Sale: Blue L.L.Bean Manatee DLX 100, 10 ft long, 44 lbs. Gently used. \$200. Call or text 603-682-5302. (8/26/25)

Boat Launch Tickets for Sale: Six (6) South Down Boat Club Daily User Coupons (book of 5 plus one) for a total of \$300. No Expiration for Use. Text Cliff at 860-918-1480. (8/23/25)

15x10 Storage Unit For Sale: Selling our large sized 15x10 storage unit on Recreation Drive for \$25,000 or best offer. I'll package it with an 2014 EZGO RXV Golf Cart if anyone is interested in both. Call or text Jason, 603-315-1378. (8/13/25)

Southdown Boat Slip Wanted. We're looking for a Southdown Shores boat slip. Please reach out if you're interested in selling. Cash buyer and can offer a 1st level rack spot as part of a deal. Call or text Jason 603-315-1378 (7/11/25)

For sale 2014 EZGO RXV. Upgraded wheels, cup holders, flip down rear seat with cooler compartment. Works as it should, batteries hold a charge and have the automatic watering system. \$4,995 currently located in Golf Village. I can also offer storage for it in the South Down storage units for a limited time with a possible longer term solution if you don't have a garage or storage unit. Call or text Jason 603-315-1378 (7/11/25)

Dry Berth / Rack Wanted - Cash Buyer. Long term resident, long term interest so flexible on terms and timing. Please email bpgillespie@gmail.com (7/8/25)

Long Bay Boat Slip Wanted. Cash Buyer. 15yr resident of Long Bay looking for a boat slip. Cash buyer would consider flexible terms for the current season in transitioning ownership. Please call or text 978-502-2785 Mobile. Could close on sale fast and easy. (7/6/25)

Long Bay Boat Slip Wanted. Long time resident of Long Bay looking to buy a boat slip. Will pay cash. Please call or text 508-439-0090 (cell). (6/29/25)

Wanted - Dry Berth to purchase. Call or text 978-501-7728 (6/15/25)

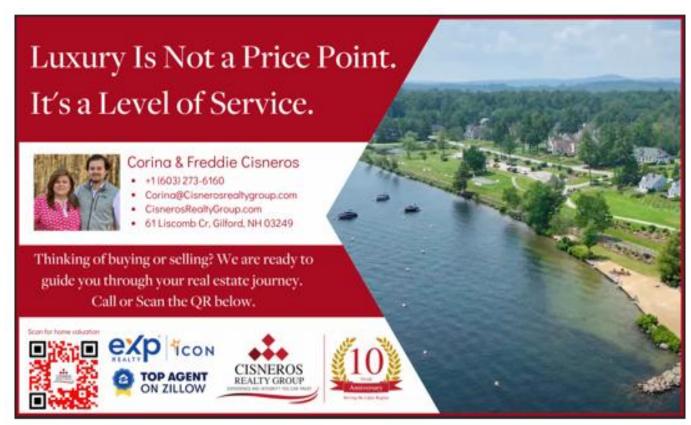
Need Trailer Storage: Trailer storage needed as soon as possible. email: Khelm78@gmail.com (6/1/25)

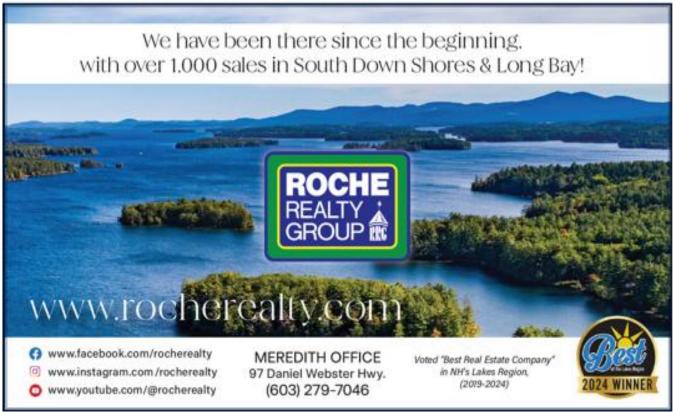
South Down Starter Kit. House Lot. Hamptons village. Boat Rack and Storage Unit 10/20 \$350,000 Call or text Mike 617 797 8787 (5/11/25).

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